

# ST. MARY OF THE HILLS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

BLOWING ROCK, NORTH CAROLINA



**THE DAY OF PENTECOST**  
**MAY 31, 2020**

# MORNING PRAYER

## RITE II

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### ORGAN VOLUNTARY

*A prayerful silence precedes the service.  
The tower bells toll the hour.*

### THE OPENING SENTENCES

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

You shall receive power when the Holy Ghost has come upon you; and you shall be my witness in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

*Acts 1:8*

### THE INVITATORY

BCP 80

*Officiant* Lord, open our lips.

*People* **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

*Officiant and People*

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

**Alleluia.**

Alleluia. The Spirit of the Lord renews the face of the earth:  
**Come let us adore him. Alleluia.**

*Psalm 100*

**Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; \*  
serve the Lord with gladness  
and come before his presence with a song.**

**Know this: The Lord himself is God; \*  
he himself has made us, and we are his;  
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

**Enter his gates with thanksgiving;  
go into his courts with praise; \*  
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.**

**For the Lord is good;  
his mercy is everlasting; \*  
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

Alleluia. The Spirit of the Lord renews the face of the earth:  
**Come let us adore him. Alleluia.**

## THE PSALTER

Psalm 68: 1-10, 33-36

*The Cantor sings the appointed portion of the Psalm.*

- 25 O Lord, how manifold are your works! \*  
in wisdom you have made them all;  
the earth is full of your creatures.
- 26 Yonder is the great and wide sea  
with its living things too many to number, \*  
creatures both small and great.
- 27 There move the ships,  
and there is that Leviathan, \*  
which you have made for the sport of it.
- 28 All of them look to you \*  
to give them their food in due season.

- 29 You give it to them; they gather it; \*  
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- 30 You hide your face, and they are terrified; \*  
you take away their breath,  
and they die and return to their dust.
- 31 You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; \*  
and so you renew the face of the earth.
- 32 May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; \*  
may the Lord rejoice in all his works.
- 33 He looks at the earth and it trembles; \*  
he touches the mountains and they smoke.
- 34 I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; \*  
I will praise my God while I have my being.
- 35 May these words of mine please him; \*  
I will rejoice in the Lord.
- 37 Bless the Lord, O my soul. \*  
Hallelujah!

*At the end of the Psalms is sung*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

## THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 1: 6-14

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs-- in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

‘In the last days it will be, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions,  
and your old men shall dream dreams.  
Even upon my slaves, both men and women,  
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;  
and they shall prophesy.  
And I will show portents in the heaven above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.  
The sun shall be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood,  
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.  
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' "

*Lector*           The Word of the Lord.  
*People*           **Thanks be to God.**

CANTICLE 13

BCP 90

*A Song of Praise  
Song of Three Young Men, 29-34*

**Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; \*  
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.  
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; \*  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

**Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; \*  
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.  
Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; \*  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

**Glory to you, beholding the depths; \*  
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.  
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; \*  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

*Lector*           The Word of the Lord.

*People*           **Thanks be to God.**

## CANTICLE 19

BCP 94

*The Song of the Redeemed*  
*Revelation 15:3-4*

**O ruler of the universe, Lord God,  
great deeds are they that you have done, \*  
surpassing human understanding.  
Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth, \*  
O King of all the ages.**

**Who can fail to do you homage, Lord,  
and sing the praises of your Name? \*  
for you only are the Holy One.  
All nations will draw near and fall down before you, \*  
because your just and holy works have been revealed.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

## THE HOMILY

The Reverend Andrew J. Hege

*A few moments of silence for reflection follow the homily.*

*Officiant and People together, all standing*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
 creator of heaven and earth;  
 I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
 He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
 and born of the Virgin Mary.  
 He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
 was crucified, died, and was buried.  
 He descended to the dead.  
 On the third day he rose again.  
 He ascended into heaven,  
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
 He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
 I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
 the holy catholic Church,  
 the communion of saints,  
 the forgiveness of sins  
 the resurrection of the body,  
 and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS

*Officiant*     The Lord be with you.  
*People*        **And also with you.**  
*Officiant*     Let us pray.

**Our Father in heaven,  
 hallowed be your Name,  
 your kingdom come,  
 your will be done,  
 on earth as in heaven.  
 Give us today our daily bread.  
 Forgive us our sins  
 as we forgive those  
 who sin against us.  
 Save us from the time of trial,  
 and deliver us from evil.  
 For the kingdom, the power,  
 and the glory are yours,  
 now and forever. Amen.**

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
R. **And grant us your salvation.**  
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
R. **Let your people sing with joy.**  
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
R. **For only in you can we live in safety.**  
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
R. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**  
V. Let your way be known upon earth;  
R. **Your saving health among all nations.**  
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
R. **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**  
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
R. **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

O God, who on this day taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

*Free intercessions may be offered. The people add their own petitions and thanksgivings.  
These may be shared with one another in the chat box on Zoom.*

*The Officiant concludes the prayers with this collect,*

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

## Come down, O Love divine

1 Come down, O Love di - vine, seek thou this soul of mine,  
 2 O let it free - ly burn, till earth - ly pas - sions turn  
 3 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,

and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;  
 to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;  
 shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing;

O Com - fort - er, draw near, with - in my heart ap - pear,  
 and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,  
 for none can guess its grace, till Love cre - ate a place

and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.  
 and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.  
 where - in the Ho - ly Spi - rit makes a dwell - ing.

## THE BLESSING

May Almighty God, who enlightened the minds of the disciples by pouring out upon them the Holy Spirit, make you rich with his blessing, that you may abound more and more in that Spirit for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit as a flame of fire that rested upon the heads of the disciples, burn out all evil from your hearts, and make them shine with the pure light of his presence. **Amen.**

May God, who by the Holy Spirit caused those of many tongues to proclaim Jesus as Lord, strengthen your faith and send you out to bear witness to him in word and deed. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

## THE DISMISSAL

BCP 102

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.  
*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

## THE GRACE

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Ephesians 3:20,21*

## ORGAN VOLUNTARY

### COFFEE MINUTE

Are you missing the opportunity to connect with  
St. Mary's friends during Coffee Minute? We are too!

After worship, join us at 10:45AM for an online Coffee Minute on Zoom.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85028139842>

## **Please Pray for the Following in Your Daily Prayers**

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, José our Bishop, Andrew our rector, Sam and Gary our assisting clergy, for all bishops and ministers, and for all God's people throughout the world.

For all medical personnel and all ministering to the needs of those affected by COVID-19.

**For healing:** Jo Barbre, James S., Dan Gloster, Suzanne Miller, Joe Dyer, Grace Howe Clapp, Lewis, Mark Klein, Dolores, Dotty Shoffner, Douglas Pyles, Lauren, Carol, Paul, Jeanie H., Jo Ann M., Sharon, Mary, Bill, Joann, Whitney, Jamie, Dennis, Pat R., Paul R., Christopher, Brenda, Mona, Peter, Rachel, Lisa, Hououchang Ahmadi

*\*\*\*(Please note that the names on this list will remain for four weeks, unless the office is notified that the person(s) needs to remain on the list for a longer period of time.)\*\*\**

**For those who have died:** George Van Nuys, Emory Maiden, Frances Parker, Frank Goewey, Lewis Thompson, Tony, Bobby

**For safe pregnancy and delivery for:** Mary Lois, Taylor, Austin, Ashley, Falconer, Melissa, Brooks, Kelly Porter

### **For those celebrating birthdays this week:**

05/31 Torre Hinnant  
06/01 Eri Latimer  
06/03 Bryan Crutcher  
06/04 Susie Morgan, Lillian Olson  
06/05 Teena Davant, Julianna Silver, John Thompson  
06/06 Gary Gloster

### **For those celebrating anniversaries this week:**

06/01 Chuck and Kyle Ball, John and Patti Turner  
06/05 Joe and Virginia Dulaney, Richard and Mary Lou Moore  
06/06 Gary and Judy Gloster

### **Parish Prayer Cycle:**

05/31 Cobb and Cindy Milner  
06/01 Jane Milner  
06/02 Mitch Mitchell  
06/03 Paulette Mitchell  
06/04 Perry and Jan Mixer  
06/05 Chip Monroe, Emma Kate, Lee, and Arden  
06/06 Pat Moore



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