

All Angels Episcopal Church



You send forth your Spirit, and they are created;
and so you renew the face of the earth.

Psalm 104:31

Pentecost
June 8, 2025

Prelude *Come Down O Love Divine* R. Vaughn Williams arr. D.Stasney

Opening Hymn *God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind*

1 God of tem - pest, God of whirl-wind, as on Pen - te -
2 God of blaz - ing, God of burn - ing, all that blocks your
3 God of earth - quake, God of thun - der, shake us loose from
4 God of pas - sion, God un - sleep - ing, stir in us love's

cost de - scend! Drive us out from shel - tered com - fort;
pur - pose, purge! Through your church, Christ's liv - ing Bod - y,
leth - ar - gy! Break the chains of sin a - sun - der,
rest - less - ness! Where the peo - ple cry in an - guish,

past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser - vice,
let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice,
for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us;
may we share your heart's dis - tress. 'Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;

there with Christ to bear the cross, there with Christ to bear the cross!
kin - dle us to speak your truth, kin - dle us to speak your truth!
make us one in Christ our Lord, make us one in Christ our Lord!
claim us for your king - dom's work, claim us for your king - dom's work!

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is One. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second commandment is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

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.**

The Lessons *Please be seated for the reading of the lessons.*

A reading from Genesis

Genesis 11:1-9

There was a time when the whole world spoke one language. Everyone used the same words. Then people began to move from the East. They found a plain in the land of Babylonia and stayed there to live. Then they said to each other, “Let us make some bricks of clay and bake them in the fire.” Then they used these bricks as stones, and they used tar as mortar.

Then the people said, “Let us build ourselves a city and a tower that will reach to the sky. Then we will make a name for ourselves. This will keep us together so that we will not be scattered all over the earth.”

Then the Lord came down to see the city and the tower. The Lord said, “These people all speak the same language. And I see that they are joined together to do this work. This is only the beginning of what they can do. Soon they will be able to do anything they want. Let us go down and confuse their language. Then they will not understand each other.”

So people stopped building the city, and the Lord scattered them all over the earth. That is the place where the Lord confused the language of the whole world. That is why it is called Babel. And it was from there that the Lord caused the people to spread out to all the other places on earth.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The psalm reading for this morning is from Psalm 104

Ps 104:25, 31-35, 37

O Lord, how manifold are your works!

in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

You send forth your Spirit, and they are created;

and so you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord endure for ever;

may the Lord rejoice in all his works.

He looks at the earth and it trembles;

he touches the mountains and they smoke.

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;

I will praise my God while I have my being.

May these words of mine please him;

I will rejoice in the Lord.

Bless the Lord, O my soul.

Hallelujah!

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 people of the Jewish faith 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? 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."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn

God is Love

1982 Hymnal #379

- 1 God is Love, let heaven adore him;
 God is Love, let earth rejoice;
 let creation sing before him
 and exalt him with one voice.
 God who laid the earth's foundation,
 God who spread the heaven above,
 God who breathes through all creation:
 God is Love, eternal Love.
- 2 God is Love; and Love enfolds us,
 all the world in one embrace:
 with unfailing grasp God holds us,
 every child of every race.
 And when human hearts are breaking
 under sorrow's iron rod,
 then we find that selfsame aching
 deep within the heart of God.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
Glory to you Lord Christ.

John 14:8-27

Philip said to Jesus, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it. "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you."

"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gradual Hymn

God Be in My Head

1982 Hymnal #694

The image shows the musical notation for the hymn 'God Be in My Head'. It consists of five staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written on the upper staff of each pair, and the lyrics are written below. The lyrics are: 'God be in my head, and in my un - der - stand - ing; God be in mine eyes, and in my look - ing; God be in my mouth, and in my speak - ing; God be in my heart, and in my think - ing; God be at mine end, and at my de - part - ing.' The music is in a simple, hymn-like style with a steady rhythm.

God be in my head, and in my un - der - stand - ing;
God be in mine eyes, and in my look - ing;
God be in my mouth, and in my speak - ing;
God be in my heart, and in my think - ing;
God be at mine end, and at my de - part - ing.

The Nicene Creed *(The word “catholic” means universal or global body of Christian believers)*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy, catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People *(Please stand or kneel or sit as you are able)*

Let us pray to our risen Savior on behalf of the Church, the world, and all people.

A brief silence

Lord Jesus, just as you promised, your Holy Spirit sustains us and makes us one with you. Bless this congregation to show love to others. Kindle our hearts to seek the lost, lift up the broken-hearted, and invite our neighbors to hear your holy and life-changing Word.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bless and strengthen all who take counsel for the nations. Guide them in pathways of justice and righteousness. Use their labors to feed all people, to live in friendship with their neighbor, and to walk humbly before you, their Lord and God.

Breathe your peace on Gaza, Israel and Ukraine.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Bring the healing of your touch to all those who suffer in body or spirit. We remember before you Downs IV, Holden, Barbara, Maria Christine, Caitlin, Dennis, Angie, Amy Jo, Carling, Michael, Ian, Joan, Diana, Anne, Alyssa, Joe, Denise, Zachary and Chris.

We pray for those under the care of skilled nursing, especially Timothy and Barbara.

We pray for those going through cancer treatments and those in remission, especially, Margaret, Downs III, Victoria, Alex, Connie, Douglas, Frank, Gerta, Lauren, TJ, Cara, Valerie, Violet, Joan, Nancy, Julie, George, Denise, Mark and John.

We pray for those in Hospice, especially Jeanne and Regina.

Breathe your healing and peace on all those who suffer.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord Jesus, we entrust into your care those for whom we love but see no longer.

(Silence) Give us faith to trust your Word in times of doubt. Give us compassion to care for those in need. Give us joy, which is the inheritance of all whom you love.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray to you for the forgiveness of our sins.

Leader and People

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Greetings, Announcements and Introductions

Offertory Anthem

Wind Song

Swhee-Hong Lim arr. Helen Kemp

The Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
praise him all creatures here below,
Praise him above ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

The Holy Eucharist Prayer B

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The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down on this day from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Jesus invites everyone to meet him here. If you would like to receive the bread or a blessing, please come forward. If you would prefer to have communion brought to you, please let one of the ushers know and we will bring it to you.

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Hymnal #493

- 1 O for a thousand tongues to sing
my dear Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace!
- 2 My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim
and spread through all the earth
abroad the honors of thy Name.
- 3 Jesus! the Name that charms our fears
and bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life and health and peace.
- 6 Glory to God and praise and love
be now and ever given
by saints below and saints above,
the Church in earth and heaven.

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia
Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia

Postlude

Postlude on "Cwm Rhondda"

Anon.

New to All Angels? Welcome! Be sure to sign the guest registry in the lobby.

Announcements

Gallery Artist The Gallery Artist for June is Zerbe Sodervick. Please stop by and enjoy the work of this talented local artist. Checks should be written to All Angels by the Sea.

Men's and Women's Discussion Group Men's Discussion group, 10:00 on Tuesdays; Women's Discussion Group, 10:00 on Wednesdays. Both groups in person and via Zoom.

Choir Rehearsal/Warm-up Sunday Mornings at 9 am through June 15th, Trinity Sunday. Then on the first Sunday of July, August and September. Regular Rehearsals will begin in October.

Coffee Hour Host One of the most important things we do is gather after the service for coffee hour. If you are interested in hosting, the sign up sheet is on the Gallery table. If you would like help, sign up and we will find someone to show you how it is done.

Centering Prayer Centering Prayer invites you to pray with them, every day, at 8 am, wherever you are. When you enter into prayer at 8 am (Eastern), you will know that others are praying at the same time.

Birthdays & Anniversaries If you have a birthday or anniversary coming up next month, please email Linn Torres at lt@allangelslbk.org

Visit our Website Video of Today's Service, Discussion Group Articles, Gallery Artist, and our weekly Tidings can all be found on our website: **www.allangelslbk.org**.



Flower Dedication

The flowers today are given by Reuben Fernandez,
in loving memory of his mother Betty Fernandez on her birthday.



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Our mission is to bring the living Christ
to those inside and outside the church.

Today's presenters

Ed Upshaw — Chalice

Carol Erker — Lector

Terry Cobb — Prayers

Cathie Wilt, Russ Callahan — Ushers

David Stasney — Organist

Ethan Marshall — Acolyte

Elijah Marshall — A/V tech

Scott Wuesthoff — Zoom host

Ginny Upshaw — Altar Guild

Daphne Walker — Flowers

Cathie Wilt — Offering Counters

Bev Henry, Natalie & Brian Davis — Coffee Hour

Vestry

Cade Sibley

Carol Erker

Allen McGee

David Bishop

Hank Kochan

Larry Elder

Brian Davis

Junior Warden

Reuben Fernandez

Senior Warden

David Stasney

Music Director

Fr. Fred Emrich

Retired Associate

The Very Rev. David J. Marshall,

Rector

Reflection

The Limiting

A fellow clergy person recently asked me this: Do you believe God is in charge of everything? I asked what he meant by *in charge* and *everything*. He said to use the broadest sense of both words – do you believe God is in charge of everything?

I replied, “Yes and no.”

Is God in charge? Yes.

Of everything? Yes.

Does God exercise God’s power over everything all the time on this side of heaven?

No, not as far as I can tell.

Let’s start with wisdom.

I believe that God and Jesus are one. When he was just twelve years old, Jesus was in the Temple teaching the religious leaders and scholars. Later in life, there are stories of how Jesus could perceive what was in the hearts and minds of people. Jesus expressed God's wisdom. Yet, he did not know when the End of Times will be. He said it is not for him to know. Jesus could have known but instead chose to be limited in wisdom. That means to me that God’s plan was to limit wisdom on this side of heaven.

How about love?

God is love. God is the source of all love. When we know love we know God. To know God is to know love. Yet, love is limited by choice. God does not force us to love God, or creation, or one another. In fact, forced love is not love at all. Love, in this sense, is limited by God.

How about sin and evil?

We are told to confess our sins to God. If God is all-knowing, why should we do that? A theology that I have been kicking around in my head is that God – and by extension Jesus – cannot see sin or evil. It is not from them so they cannot perceive it. When I confess, I am filling Jesus in on the times when he did not perceive my thoughts because they were not of him or of love.

Jesus was arrested and sent before King Herod Agrippa. At one point the king started yelling at Jesus to answer him; yet Jesus stood “silent like a lamb before its shearers.” I’d like to think that Jesus couldn’t hear what was being said because it was full of lies and blasphemy. In other words, Jesus was limited in what he could hear and see.

One last point: Jesus told stories that ended with the person in charge – which we understand as God – saying, “I don’t know you.” God didn’t know the person because God couldn’t see what the person was doing because it was not of God’s kingdom. If the person in the story made a confession, then God would know that person. These stories highlight a limiting of God’s perception. God cannot see what God chooses not to see.

What about heaven?

Jesus talks about a place where all things happen according to God’s will. Angels serve God there. Humans are there too. It’s a place of absolute joy and peace. It’s a place where “Thy will be done”. Jesus taught us to pray that earth becomes like that place, “as it is in heaven.” Earth can become that place but not because God has forced it into being. *On earth as it is in heaven* can happen because God has chosen to limit God’s power on earth so that we have the freedom to love, to serve, to confess, and to freely receive God’s grace.

- Fr. Dave