

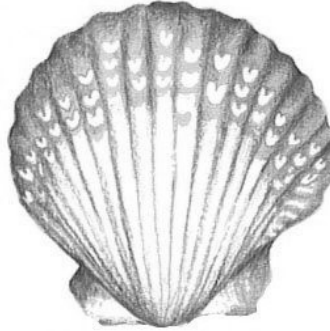
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SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2026

TEN-THIRTY O'CLOCK

PENTECOST SUNDAY



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BCP P.299

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People **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

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People **One God and Father of all.**

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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.' "

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 104:25-35, 37

Benedic, anima mea

BCP p. 735

The Choir chants Psalm to George Mursell Garrett (1834-1897)

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| <p>25 O LORD, how manifold are your works! *
 in wisdom you have made them all;
 the earth is full of your creatures.</p> <p>26 Yonder is the great and wide sea
 with its living things too many to number, *
 creatures both small and great.</p> <p>27 There move the ships,
 and there is that Leviathan, *
 which you have made for the sport of it.</p> <p>28 All of them look to you *
 to give them their food in due season.</p> <p>29 You give it to them; they gather it; *
 you open your hand, and they are filled with
 good things.</p> <p>30 You hide your face, and they are terrified; *
 you take away their breath,
 and they die and return to their dust.</p> | <p>31 You send forth your Spirit, and they are
 created; *
 and so you renew the face of the earth.</p> <p>32 May the glory of the LORD endure for ever; *
 may the LORD rejoice in all his works.</p> <p>33 He looks at the earth and it trembles; *
 he touches the mountains and they smoke.</p> <p>34 I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; *
 I will praise my God while I have my being.</p> <p>35 May these words of mine please him; *
 I will rejoice in the LORD.</p> <p>37 Bless the LORD, O my soul. *
 Hallelujah!</p> |
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THE SECOND LESSON: A Reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

No one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body-- Jews or Greeks, slaves or free-- and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN 511 Holy Spirit, ever living ABBOT'S LEIGH

Please stand as you are able for the reading of the Holy Gospel.

THE HOLY GOSPEL John 7: 37-39

Gospeler The Holy Gospel ☩ of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

HOMILY The Rev. Chris Robinson

HYMN 297 Descend, O Spirit, purging flame ERHALT UNS, HERR

THE ORDER OF HOLY BAPTISM

Samuel Alan Wilhoite, John Timothy Wilhoite, Tyler Matthew Wilhoite

The Congregation turns to face the Font.

PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATE BCP p. 301

Parents and Godparents **We present Samuel Alan, John Timothy, and Tyler Matthew to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.**

EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATE

Celebrant Will you be responsible for seeing that the children you present are brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents **I will with God's help.**

Godparents

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help them to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents **I will with God's help.**

Godparents

Celebrant Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these children in their life in Christ?

People **We will.**

Celebrant Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT BCP p. 304

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **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.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **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.**

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

Leader Deliver them O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send them into the world in witness to your love.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as

the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Now sanctify ✠ this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE BAPTISM

Samuel Alan, I baptize you ✠ in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Samuel Alan, you are sealed ✠ by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. **Amen.**

John Timothy, I baptize you ✠ in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

John Timothy, you are sealed ✠ by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. **Amen.**

Tyler Matthew, I baptize you ✠ in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Tyler Matthew, you are sealed ✠ by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. **Amen.**

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Candles are lit from the Paschal Candle and presented to the families.

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People in unison

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

All stand.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY GRADUATION

Leader Today we celebrate and recognize Perry Pennington on his graduation from the Education for Ministry program.

All **Perry, we celebrate your commitment and dedication, and we commit to supporting you as your spiritual journey continues.**

Leader May your God-given gifts of discernment, encouragement, and joy continue to grow and strengthen.

All **Perry, we pray that these gifts, and others you discover along the way, will continue to deepen your relationship with God in your thoughts, words, and actions of loving service.**

SANCTUS

Mass in E

Jeffrey Smith (b. 1960)

(Organ) Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
 God of pow'r and might, heav'n and earth are full of your
 glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na
 in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; Ruth, Esther and Rahab; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM

Mass in E

Jeffrey Smith

(Organ) Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia. CHOIR: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for (Organ) Congregation repeats Alleluia us; therefore let us keep the feast.

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

HOLY COMMUNION

Ushers will invite worshippers forward. You may receive the bread in your hands, with palms crossed and turned upward. To receive the wine by drinking, please assist the Eucharistic Minister by guiding the chalice to your lips by its base. For intinction, process with your wafer to the Eucharistic Minister and touch your wafer into the wine or hand your wafer to the Eucharistic Minister for them to touch your wafer to the wine for you. To receive a blessing from the priest, please stand and cross your arms over your chest. To receive gluten-free bread, please process to the left after a blessing from the priest to the table where you may receive Communion.

AT HOLY COMMUNION

MOTET

Amazing Grace

arr. Tyler Arcari (b. 1989)

HYMN 510

Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove

ST. AGNES

THE CONCLUDING RITE

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

BCP p. 369

Celebrant Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **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.**

HYMN 506

Praise the Spirit in creation

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DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

VOLUNTARY

I sing the mighty power of God

arr. Wesley Hanson (1936-2020)



Today's flowers are given to the glory of God in memory of Audrey and Ken Brown by Kit and Pete Decker.

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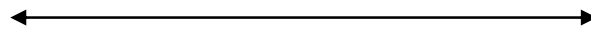
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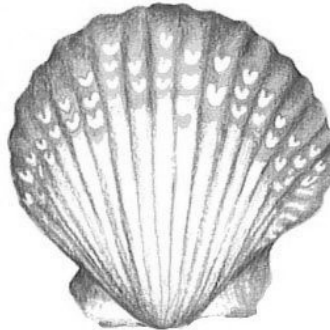
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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON: A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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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.' "

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 104:25-35, 37

Benedic, anima mea

BCP p. 735

The Choir chants Psalm to George Mursell Garrett (1834-1897)

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| <p>25 O LORD, how manifold are your works! *
 in wisdom you have made them all;
 the earth is full of your creatures.</p> <p>26 Yonder is the great and wide sea
 with its living things too many to number, *
 creatures both small and great.</p> <p>27 There move the ships,
 and there is that Leviathan, *
 which you have made for the sport of it.</p> <p>28 All of them look to you *
 to give them their food in due season.</p> <p>29 You give it to them; they gather it; *
 you open your hand, and they are filled with
 good things.</p> <p>30 You hide your face, and they are terrified; *
 you take away their breath,
 and they die and return to their dust.</p> | <p>31 You send forth your Spirit, and they are
 created; *
 and so you renew the face of the earth.</p> <p>32 May the glory of the LORD endure for ever; *
 may the LORD rejoice in all his works.</p> <p>33 He looks at the earth and it trembles; *
 he touches the mountains and they smoke.</p> <p>34 I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; *
 I will praise my God while I have my being.</p> <p>35 May these words of mine please him; *
 I will rejoice in the LORD.</p> <p>37 Bless the LORD, O my soul. *
 Hallelujah!</p> |
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THE SECOND LESSON: A Reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

No one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body-- Jews or Greeks, slaves or free-- and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN 511 Holy Spirit, ever living ABBOT'S LEIGH

Please stand as you are able for the reading of the Holy Gospel.

THE HOLY GOSPEL John 7: 37-39

Gospeler The Holy Gospel ☩ of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

HOMILY The Rev. Chris Robinson

HYMN 297 Descend, O Spirit, purging flame ERHALT UNS, HERR

THE ORDER OF HOLY BAPTISM

Samuel Alan Wilhoite, John Timothy Wilhoite, Tyler Matthew Wilhoite

The Congregation turns to face the Font.

PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATE BCP p. 301

Parents and Godparents **We present Samuel Alan, John Timothy, and Tyler Matthew to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.**

EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATE

Celebrant Will you be responsible for seeing that the children you present are brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents **I will with God's help.**

Godparents

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help them to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents **I will with God's help.**

Godparents

Celebrant Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these children in their life in Christ?

People **We will.**

Celebrant Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT BCP p. 304

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **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.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **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.**

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

Leader Deliver them O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send them into the world in witness to your love.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as

the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Now sanctify ✠ this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE BAPTISM

Samuel Alan, I baptize you ✠ in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Samuel Alan, you are sealed ✠ by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. **Amen.**

John Timothy, I baptize you ✠ in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

John Timothy, you are sealed ✠ by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. **Amen.**

Tyler Matthew, I baptize you ✠ in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Tyler Matthew, you are sealed ✠ by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. **Amen.**

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Candles are lit from the Paschal Candle and presented to the families.

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People in unison

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

All stand.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY GRADUATION

Leader Today we celebrate and recognize Perry Pennington on his graduation from the Education for Ministry program.

All **Perry, we celebrate your commitment and dedication, and we commit to supporting you as your spiritual journey continues.**

Leader May your God-given gifts of discernment, encouragement, and joy continue to grow and strengthen.

All **Perry, we pray that these gifts, and others you discover along the way, will continue to deepen your relationship with God in your thoughts, words, and actions of loving service.**

SANCTUS

Mass in E

Jeffrey Smith (b. 1960)

(Organ) Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
 God of pow'r and might, heav'n and earth are full of your
 glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; Ruth, Esther and Rahab; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM

Mass in E

Jeffrey Smith

(Organ) Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia. CHOIR: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast. (Organ) Congregation repeats Alleluia

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

HOLY COMMUNION

Ushers will invite worshippers forward. You may receive the bread in your hands, with palms crossed and turned upward. To receive the wine by drinking, please assist the Eucharistic Minister by guiding the chalice to your lips by its base. For intinction, process with your wafer to the Eucharistic Minister and touch your wafer into the wine or hand your wafer to the Eucharistic Minister for them to touch your wafer to the wine for you. To receive a blessing from the priest, please stand and cross your arms over your chest. To receive gluten-free bread, please process to the left after a blessing from the priest to the table where you may receive Communion.

AT HOLY COMMUNION

MOTET

Amazing Grace

arr. Tyler Arcari (b. 1989)

HYMN 510

Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove

ST. AGNES

THE CONCLUDING RITE

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

BCP p. 369

Celebrant Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **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.**

HYMN 506

Praise the Spirit in creation

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DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

VOLUNTARY

I sing the mighty power of God

arr. Wesley Hanson (1936-2020)



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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Children's Chapel

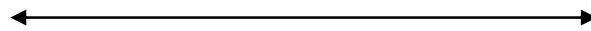
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