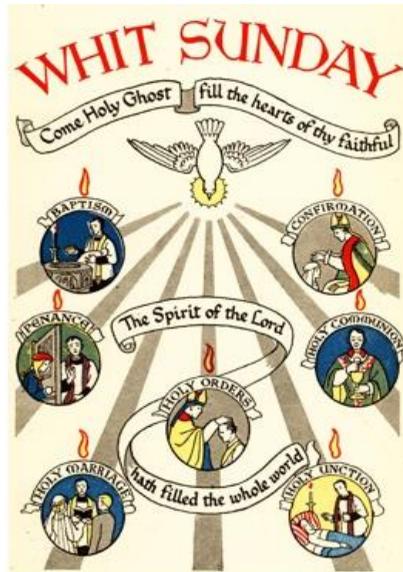


# Day of Pentecost



May 23, 2021  
10:15 a.m. Mass

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# Welcome!

We are glad you are worshipping with us today.  
If you are looking for a parish home, we hope you will find one here with us.

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If you are a guest visiting today, please consider signing our Guest Register located on the podium at the entrance to St. Nicholas Hall and complete a red Visitors Card. The cards can be given to an Usher or placed in the offering plate.

- ❖ We ask that you sit where pews are marked off with an X.
- ❖ We ask that you refrain from singing the hymns.
- ❖ When you approach the altar for communion, please keep social distance; stop at the hand sanitizing station to sanitize before approaching to receive the Bread from the priest.
- ❖ After you receive Communion, turn left to go down the pulpit (left) side aisle, going to the back and up to your seat again.
- ❖ When you exit the building, please leave through the wooden doors at the back of church.
- ❖ All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion at Grace Church.
  - For those not receiving Communion today, please feel welcome to come forward for a blessing during this time; simply cross your arms across your chest as you come forward.
  - For those physically unable to come to the altar, please share this with an Usher; Communion will be brought to you.
- ❖ Grace Church **rejoices** in celebrating God's love and presence with children in attendance at Mass.
- ❖ Christian Formation (Sunday School) for adults and children is offered throughout the year on Sundays from 9:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. The next adult session begins on April 18 and details may be found in the Parish Notices section of this bulletin. Formation for children is suspended until further notice.

Please do not hesitate to contact the parish office at (920) 452-9659 to find out more about us or make an appointment with clergy. You can also visit our website [www.gracesheboygan.com](http://www.gracesheboygan.com)

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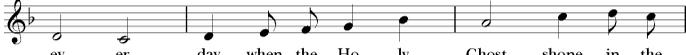
# Liturgy of the Word

At the sound of the bells, all stand as able as hymn 225 is played.

*Refrain*



Hail thee, fes - ti - val day! blest day that art hal - lowed for



ev - er, day when the Ho - ly Ghost shone in the



world with God's grace. *First time only* grace.



1 Lo, in the like - ness of fire, on those who a -  
3 Hark! for in myr - i - ad tongues Christ's own, his —



wait his ap - pear - ing, he whom the  
cho - sen a - pos - tles, preach to the



*Repeat Refrain*  
Lord fore - told sud - den - ly, swift - ly, de - scends:  
ends of the earth Christ and his won - der - ful works:



2 Forth from the Fa - ther he comes with seven - fold —  
4 Praise to the Spi - rit of Life, all praise to the



my - sti - cal of - fering, pou - ring on all hu - man  
fount of our be - ing, light that dost light - en —



*Repeat Refrain*  
souls in - fin - ite rich - es of God:  
all, life that in all dost a - bide:

*The Celebrant says*

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People*

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

*The following is said, all standing as able.*

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
    we worship you, we give you thanks,  
    we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
    have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
    receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
    Jesus Christ,  
    with the Holy Spirit,  
    in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### **Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.

*People*         And also with you.

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### **First Reading**

Ezekiel 37:1-14

*All sit*

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel.

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act," says the LORD.

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

### **Psalm 104:25-35, 37**

*Benedic, anima mea*

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!

## **Second Reading**

Acts 2:1-21

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

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.

*All stand as able.*

### **Pascha nostrum** *(in unison)*

Alleluia.

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us;

therefore let us keep the feast,

Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil,

but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;

death no longer has dominion over him.

The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all;

but the life he lives, he lives to God.

So also consider yourselves dead to sin,

and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.

Christ has been raised from the dead,

the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

For since by a man came death,

by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die,

so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

## Holy Gospel

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

*All stand as able.*

*Deacon*            The Lord be with you.

*People*            And also with you.

*Deacon*            The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People*            Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

*Deacon*            The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*            Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## Sermon

Fr. Chris Arnold

## The Baptismal Covenant

*All stand as able.*

*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 of the People**

*The Deacon says*

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Francis, Bishop of Rome, Bartolomeos, Ecumenical Patriarch, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Matthew, our Bishop and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For Joseph, our President, Tony, our Governor, Ryan, our Mayor, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For this city of Sheboygan, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For reasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air or through outer space, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For LeRoy Schneider and Dale Massey who celebrate birthdays and for Jean-Margret Merrell-Beech and Robert Beech, Randy and Lisa Krueger and Marlene Roeseler and Galen Fryinger who celebrate anniversaries, and for all who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this week, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the aged and infirm, and for the widows and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, especially Ed Clabots, Eric Meulemans, Greg Burgett, Barb MacEwen, Alex Hammes, Jon Whitford, Margaret Knocke, Wayne Knocke, Marshall Horne and Nancy Imig. *Shut ins:* Mary Evans, Marjorie Buttz. *Family & Friends of Grace:* Barbara S., Natalie, Katie, Emma, Maxwell, Stacy, Bob, Becky, James, Lydia, Nancy H., James A., Ellen, Kelly, Jesus and Ben H., let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

Defend us, deliver us and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.  
*Lord, have mercy.*

In the communion of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Joseph, St. Nicholas and all of the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.  
*To thee, O Lord our God.*

*The People may add their own petitions.*

*Celebrant*

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## **Peace**

*All stand as able.*

*Celebrant*      The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*         And also with you.

*Observing social distancing, the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## **Announcements**

# Holy Communion

*The Celebrant says*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

## Offertory Hymn

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1. Come, Ho - ly Ghost, our souls in - spire, and light - en  
3. Thy bless - ed unc - tion from a - bove is com - fort,  
5. A - noint and cheer our soil - ed face with the a -  
with ce - les - tial fire. 2. Thou the a - noint - ing  
life, and fire of love. 4. En - a - ble with per -  
bun - dance of thy grace. 6. Keep far our foes, give  
Spi - rit art, who dost thy seven - fold gifts im - part.  
pet - ual light the dull - ness of our blind - ed sight.  
peace at home: where thou art guide, no ill can come.  
7. Teach us to know the Fa - ther, Son, and thee, of  
both, to be but One, 8. that through the a - ges  
all a - long, this may be our end - less song:  
9. praise to thy e - ter - nal mer - it,  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.

## Great Thanksgiving

*Celebrant*            The Lord be with you.  
*People*                And also with you.  
*Celebrant*            Lift up your hearts.  
*People*                We lift them to the Lord.  
*Celebrant*            Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People*                It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*The Celebrant proceeds*

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:

*Celebrant and People*

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.

*The people kneel as able*

*The Celebrant continues*

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,

*Celebrant and People*

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

*The Celebrant continues*

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 Mary, the Mother of God, Nicholas and 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.*

*The Celebrant then continues*

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

*People and Celebrant*

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.

## Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
 Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

*The Celebrant says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.  
 Communion will be received in one kind – the Body of Christ the Bread of Heaven.*

## Communion Hymn

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1 Spi - rit di - vine, at - tend our prayers, and make this house thy home;  
 2 Come as the light; to us re - veal our emp - ti - ness and woe,  
 3 Come as the fire, and purge our hearts like sac - ri - fi - cial flame;  
 4 Come as the dove, and spread thy wings, the wings of peace - ful love;  
 5 Spi - rit di - vine, at - tend our prayers; make a lost world thy home;

1 de - scend with all thy gra - cious powers, O come, great Spi - rit, come!  
 2 and lead us in those paths of life where - on the right - eous go.  
 3 let our whole soul an of - fering be to our Re - deem - er's Name.  
 4 and let thy Church on earth be - come blest as the Church a - bove.  
 5 de - scend with all thy gra - cious powers; O come, great Spi - rit, come!

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray

*Celebrant and People*

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.

## **Sending Out**

*Deacon*

Let those who will bring Holy Communion to our brothers and sisters come forward.

*Celebrant*

As you go to the sick and the homebound, take with you the sacrament we have celebrated, the Word of God which we have heard, the affection of this parish, and our prayers; in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

## **Blessing**

*The priest blesses the people, saying*

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

## Dismissal

Deacon

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
Alleluia, Alleluia.

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

## Closing Hymn

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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 long,  
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.

## Postlude

*Final* on Veni Creator

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## A Note on Today's Readings

*The Day of Pentecost: Whitsunday—Year B*

(The word *Pentecost* means “fifty days.”) Today we conclude the seven weeks of celebrating our redemption, shown forth in the resurrection and ascension of Jesus

and in his sending the Spirit of God to us. It is the presence of the Spirit in the Church that makes God's action in the dying, rising, and glorification of Jesus of more than historical interest. It is the continued presence of the Holy Spirit that incorporates our lives into the risen life of Christ and makes us part of his Body.

This celebration of the Holy Spirit is, therefore, one of the four times in the year when Holy Baptism is particularly significant in the liturgy. It is in Baptism that we receive the Spirit and are made partakers in the resurrection life.

In the reading from the Acts of the Apostles, we hear the account of the first Pentecost when the Apostles received the Spirit and proclaimed the Gospel in many tongues. The second reading from Romans tells us that the entire universe looks toward its redemption. That redemption is waiting for us and our redemption is the work of the Spirit of God dwelling in us.

Paul tells the Roman church and us that the Holy Spirit is the one who is working in us when we pray. Moreover, the Spirit of God is leading us with the entire creation into redemption and resurrection.

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## **Daily Offices, Masses and Happenings at Grace this week**

### **The Day of Pentecost**

**May 23, 2021**

9:00 a.m. Adult Christian Formation class via Zoom

10:15 a.m. Mass, registration required

### **Monday, May 24, 2021**

7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

5:00 p.m. Corporate Rosary

5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer and Shrine Prayers

6:00 p.m. Scouts Meeting-St. Nicholas Hall

### **Tuesday, May 25, 2021**

7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer & Shrine Prayers

### **Wednesday, May 26, 2021**

7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

4:30 p.m. Staff meeting-St. Nicholas Hall

5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer & Shrine Prayers

6:00 p.m. Mass, no registration required

**Thursday, May 27, 2021**

7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer  
10:00 a.m. AA meeting-St. Nicholas Hall  
5:30 p.m. Fencing class-St. Nicholas Hall  
5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer & Shrine Prayers

**Friday, May 28, 2021**

Fr. William's weekly day off; no Morning or Evening Prayer

**Saturday, May 29, 2021**

Office Closed

**Trinity Sunday**

**May 30, 2021**

9:00 a.m. Adult Christian Formation class via Zoom  
10:15 a.m. Mass, registration required

**Parish Notices**

**The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Monday, May 31**

We will celebrate with Mass at 6:00 p.m. The service will also be live streamed on Grace Abounds. There will not be an online registration for this service.

**The Feast of Corpus Corpus Christ: The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Thursday, June 3**

We will celebrate with Mass at 6:00 p.m. There will not be an online registration for this service.

**Sign up for Sunday Masses at 10:15 a.m. through SignUpGenius**

<https://tinyurl.com/thb4n4t7>

**Sunday Morning Christian Formation, 9:00-9:45 am, in St Nicholas Hall and via Zoom**

Reading together NT Wright's *Surprised By Hope*.

Because of the richness of the book we are reading and the popularity of this course, *we will be reading this book through July 25.*

We proclaim the Resurrection of Jesus and say our own hope for eternal life is the resurrection of the dead. And St Paul even says, "If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished." (I Cor 15:17-18).

What does all this mean and what is the Resurrection in our faith?

We will read one of the most respected and most accessible biblical scholars in the Anglican Communion, Bp NT Wright, to dig in to the heart of the apostles' proclamation and our faith.

The Zoom link for this Easter formation group is: <https://tinyurl.com/2fwh739j>

### **Overflow Seating Available in St Nicholas Hall on Sunday Mornings**

Thanks be to God, our attendance is going up and we are hitting our maximum of 50 per service some Sundays. When we exceed 50, we'll ask those people to take part and have seats in St Nicholas Hall. They'll be invited to receive communion in the church proper at communion time. We'll find places for as many as we can! One thing we ask: if you are a regular and an usher asks you to offer your seat to a guest or newcomer, please consider being seated in St Nicholas Hall and allowing the newcomer to be with the larger group during Mass. Thank you for your generosity.

### **Opening Up our Church and Adjustments to Restrictions**

Pandemic restrictions are being loosened all over the country and we have begun to relax some restrictions at Grace. For example, we now have 10:15 Sunday liturgy in person with maximum of 50 attendees.

But here are some of the limitations and relaxations of restrictions that we will live with for a couple of months or so to see how things develop, ensure ongoing safety, and allow ourselves to roll back relaxations if we need to.

- We will continue to observe masking, sanitizing, and distancing:
- We will refrain from singing until further notice.
- We will have one liturgy on Sunday only (10:15.)
- Daily Morning Prayer at 7:30 am and Evening Prayer at 5:30 pm, Sunday-Thursday will be open to anyone who wants to attend, and we'll see how these weekday services go.
- Weekday Masses will be only particular holidays, such as the Annunciation (Mar 25); weekday Masses will start later.
- Christian formation groups will continue to be remote/online.
- Sunday School will not convene just yet, pending more direction from our diocese about how to proceed.
- No strictly social gatherings will be held until further clearance is given.

### **Our doors are now open for daily prayer and reflection**

The Ontario Avenue wooden doors are joyfully open to those who seek to enter for prayer and reflection. Fr. William opens the doors for Morning Prayer, Sunday through Thursday, and closes them after Evening Prayer. On Fridays, staff will open/close the doors during their working hours.

### **All Saints Chapel closed for Sunday worship 2021.**

After prayerful consideration, a decision has been made to close the Chapel for another summer. If you have questions or concerns about this, please contact Fr. William.

### **NEW in our Angelus Newsletter: Grace Church Q & A**

Every month, the Angelus will now feature a question, spiritually relevant to The Episcopal Church and/or life at Grace. If you've ever wondered "why", this is your opportunity to ask!

Question(s) may be emailed to the office, [office@gracesheboygan.com](mailto:office@gracesheboygan.com) or anonymously placed into the suggestion box in the parish office. Names will be protected, if shared.

### **Dr. Ben Dobey Retires on May 31! Mr. Caleb Klinzing Will Serve as Interim Choirmaster!**

With the grief that attends partings, and with joy and great thanksgiving for all we have received, we will bid Dr. Ben Dobey farewell as organist and choirmaster at Grace. Be sure to thank him heartily for all the years he has led us to sing God's praises through his direction, planning, prayer, and performing. He has asked that there be no reception or party in his honor. But thank him heartily in whatever way you can!

And we will welcome Mr. Caleb Klinzing as interim choirmaster on a part-time basis, starting June 1! We are so very blessed to have someone so readily available after Dr. Ben retires. Caleb will be with us about one year and will lead us faithfully and expertly in our offering of praise and thanksgiving to God. Caleb is currently an undergraduate student of sacred music and organ. He will pursue graduate studies after completing his undergraduate work. Please welcome him warmly when he begins to serve with us.

During Caleb's time with us we will have a great opportunity to reflect on the place of music in our life at Grace and imagine how in future we can continue to offer music for our praises and God's glory, given our resources, our tradition, and the desires the Spirit plants in our hearts.

### **Let's Meet and Listen to What God Calls for in our Children and Youth Ministry**

Please join us on Wednesday June 9 at 6:30pm for a socially distanced discussion in our St. Nicholas Hall. We would like to gather with those families that have children ages 3 - Seniors in high school to hear about all our hopes for our youth and children's ministry programs. If you are a Grace member who does not have children in those ranges but would like to be involved in the discussion or in volunteering with the children, you are also more than welcome to join! We are at a unique point in Grace's history where we can transform our approach into something we are excited about and the children of Grace can flourish in. We hope you can join us!

### **Corporate Rosary and Shrine prayers**

Join us Monday nights at 5:00 pm., as the service is prayed in the Lady Chapel, starting with the Angelus.

Service Booklet link:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1yj1WpgzmC1TEFzjbgZmIVWQgPe54grfl>

### **God willing, in-person Summer Camp**

The Diocese of Fond du Lac Summer Camp is for kids age 4 through graduating 12<sup>th</sup> graders. Camp is an opportunity for campers and staff to learn more about God, about community, about themselves and have fun!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tQeML7AmvoQ>

Online Registration is now open. ***\*Scholarships are available, contact the Parish Office.***

### **Compassion Fund Assistance Still Available**

Grace Church instituted the Compassion Fund in 2020 to financially assist church members affected by the economic effects of Covid. Funds remain to assist parishioners. Please contact Deacon Paul Aparicio for information and assistance. ([PAparicio@gracesheboygan.com](mailto:PAparicio@gracesheboygan.com))

### **Something Extra for Grace**

Envelopes are available in the pews if you are moved to give an extra gift, beyond your pledge or regular plate donation, toward the life of the church. Gifts are tax deductible if you write your name on the envelope.

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