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*Red Flowers for Pentecost
Photo by Helen Norman*

Pentecost

Sunday, May 23rd, 2021

9:30 am

Zoom service that will also be recorded

The Ven. Christopher Dunn
The Rev. Simone Hurkmans
The Rev. Deacon Dr. Jarrett Carty
Music: Edith Troup
Children and Youth: Julie Newlands

Officiant: Dear friends, as we gather virtually, we acknowledge with gratitude the land that has been inhabited and cared for by Indigenous peoples from the beginning, and, in particular, the traditional unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishnaabeg people. We also recognize the contributions that Métis, Inuit, and other Indigenous peoples have made in shaping and strengthening our communities.

All: May we walk gently together on this land, seeking renewed relationship based on honour, respect, and peace.

Officiant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Officiant: Holy Spirit, breath of God, search us out.

All: Inspire us as a community of Christ's people.

Officiant: Holy Spirit, breath of God, come amongst us.

All: Bind us together with your love.

Officiant: Holy Spirit, breath of God, touch our minds and hearts.

All: Give us the Word that renews and heals.

Officiant: Holy Spirit, breath of God, work through us.

All: Accompany us in our just and merciful actions.

Hymn: She Comes Sailing On The Wind

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Refrain

She comes sailing on the wind,
her wings flashing in the sun,
on a journey just begun, she flies on.
And in the passage of her flight,
her song rings out through the night;
full of laughter, full of light, she flies on.

Silent waters rocking on the morning of our birth,
like an empty cradle waiting to be filled,
and from the heart of God the Spirit
moved upon the earth,
like a mother breathing life into her child.

Refrain

Many were the dreamers whose eyes were given sight
when the Spirit filled their dreams with life and form.
Deserts turned to gardens,
broken hearts found new delight,
and then down the ages still she flew on. *Refrain*

To a gentle girl in Galilee a gentle breeze she came,
a whisper softly calling in the dark;
the promise of a child of peace
whose reign would never end,
Mary sang the Spirit song within her heart. *Refrain*

Flying to the river, she waited circling high
above the child now grown so full of grace.
As he rose up from the water,
she swept down from the sky,
and she carried him away in her embrace. *Refrain*

Long after the deep darkness that fell upon the world,
after dawn returned in flame of rising sun,
the Spirit touched the earth again,
again her wings unfurled,
bringing life in wind and fire as she flew on. *Refrain*

Officiant: Almighty God,

All: to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Officiant: Spirit of truth:

All: guide us into all truth; consume the lies that shroud the world in hate; pray in us with sighs too deep for words with hope for a new world; through Jesus the Christ, who goes to the right hand of God. Amen.

The First Reading is from Acts (2:1-21)

When the day of Pentecost had come, they 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: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 104:24-34, 35b

One: O Lord, how manifold are your works!

All: In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

One: Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number,

All: creatures both small and great.

One: There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan,
All: which you have made for the sport of it.

One: All of them look to you
All: to give them their food in due season.

One: You give it to them; they gather it;
All: you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

One: You hide your face, and they are terrified;
All: you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.

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

One: May your glory, O Lord, endure for ever;
All: may you rejoice in all your works;

One: you look at the earth and it trembles;
All: you touch the mountains and they smoke.

One: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;
All: I will praise my God while I have my being.

One: May these words of mine please you;
All: I will rejoice in the Lord . . . Hallelujah!

The Second Reading is from Romans (8:22-27)

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.
All: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: Breathe on me, Breath of God

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Breathe on me, breath of God;
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love,
and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
until my will is one with thine
to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, breath of God,
till I am wholly thine,
until this earthly part of me
glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, breath of God,
so shall I never die,
But live with thee the perfect life
of thine eternity.

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (15:26-27; 16:4b-15)

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, "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.”

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Officiant: Let us make an affirmation of faith, as we say,

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People *(prepared by Toni Larsen)*

One: Let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need, saying hear us, O God,

All: your mercy is great.

One: In gratitude for all that you have done for us, Holy God, we pray: for the people of God in every land. We pray for our healthcare workers and first responders and their’ devotion to their work that enhances the lives of so many in these uncertain times. We pray for Linda, our Primate; Anne, our Metropolitan; Shane, our Bishop: Chris, Simone, and Jarrett our clergy—may their ministries continue to be blessing to all. Hear us, O God,

All: your mercy is great.

One: At this time of Pentecost, may we remember that many languages are spoken and there are many cultures and traditions here in this country of immigrants. May we, while cherishing our own heritage, show respect for others, by learning their ways and customs. The values of this land are of tolerance and respect for all. Hear us, O God,

All: your mercy is great.

One: For all people who are victims of injustice; for those who are employed or underemployed; for those living on the streets of our city; for people struggling with addiction, anger, fear, or illness; for all those who have asked us to pray for them:

All: Betty-Joan (Hagerman); **Cheryl** (McTeer); **Brayden** (Turtle); **Michele** (Pollesel); **Nancy** (Irvine); **Randy** (Brown); **Charlie** (Cuffari); **Barbara** (Hill); **Ernest** (Betancourt); **Bart** (Beglo); **Dan** (Gates); **Steve** (Jodoin); **Tony** (Fisher); **Helen** (Miller); **Flo** (Warner) **Stan** (Lopushanski); **William** (Blackie); **John** (McGovern)

One: and those whom we name aloud or silently in our hearts. . . . We remember those who have died, especially, Emily Reynolds (friend of Elizabeth Harris) and those we name silently or aloud Let their memories be a comfort to all who mourn. Hear us, O God,

All: your mercy is great.

One: We ask that you give us strength to meet whatever comes to us each day; generosity in spirit to reach out to those in need whether it be social contact, encouragement to face the future, or just a listening ear. Hear us, O God,

All: your mercy is great.

One: Bless, O Lord, our families and friends and grant that soon we may be able to be together and enjoy the gifts we bestow on each other in our way of life. We pray also for our church family that we will be together

again and working to spread your word and love for all. Grant peace to all through your Son, Jesus our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

All: Amen.

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, let us confess our sins against God and our neighbour, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept

Officiant: Most merciful God,

All: we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Officiant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Officiant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

Hymn: Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

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Refrain:

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,
blow thro' the wilderness calling and free,
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,
stir me from placidness,
Wind, Wind on the sea.

You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,
then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;
and over the eons you called to each thing:
wake from your slumbers
and rise on your wings.

Refrain

You swept thro' the desert, you stung with the sand,
and you goaded your people with a law and a land;
and when they were blinded with their idols and lies,
then you spoke thro' your prophets
to open their eyes. *Refrain*

You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,
then you whispered in silence
when the whole world was still;
and down in the city you called once again,
when you blew through your people
on the rush of the wind. *Refrain*

You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes,
from the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams,
our women see visions, our men clear their eyes,
with bold new decisions your people arise. *Refrain*

Officiant: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we say,

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

Officiant: Glory to God,

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

Officiant: As we start our week, the Holy Spirit goes with us. The Spirit of questioning will lead us to fresh understanding.

All: The Spirit of persistence will save us from discouragement.

Officiant: The Spirit of compassion will call us to caring. The Spirit of adventure will have us leave routine in the dust.

All: The Spirit of community will give us joy as we work with others. We know the Holy Spirit will be with us and we will rely on the Spirit.

Officiant: And the blessing

Announcements

Officiant: Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Readings for Next Sunday, May 30th, 2021

Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 29;

Romans 8:12-17; John 3:1-17

Please pray this week for

- all those worshipping and ministering at Area Parish of Prescott-North Glengarry;
- the Anglican Church Women (ACW) and their groups and members throughout the Diocese;
- those in our pastoral care: Charles Mackie, Randy Brown, and Viola Martin; and
- the various community associations contained within our parish.

Sharing in our liturgical ministry today:

Reader: Paul Dearden

Intercessor: Toni Larsen

Credits:

Opening and closing prayers from Responsive Prayers: For Every Week of the Church Year, David Sparks, Year B

Collect from Prayers for an Inclusive Church (2009) alt.

Readings from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible.

Psalm reprinted from A Liturgical Psalter, General Synod 2016 edition, the psalter of the Book of Alternative Services emended for contemporary liturgical use

Liturgical texts from The Book of Alternative Services

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Saints Alive!

Weekly News from All Saints' Westboro
Pentecost May 23rd, 2021

This Week

Tuesday	9:00 am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
Wednesday	9:00 am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
Thursday	9:00 am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
	5:00 to 7:00 pm		Food Bank
Friday	9:00 am	Morning Prayer	Zoom

Upcoming Events

Morning Prayer

Tuesday to Friday (until June 25th), at 9:00 am, via Zoom

Join Simone for Morning Prayer and start your day off right! Chris will continue sending the link in his emails.

My Octopus Teacher: A Group Discussion

Thursday, June 10th, 7:00 to 8:30 pm, via Zoom

Join Simone for an evening of discussion about the award-winning documentary called My Octopus Teacher. The documentary is about “a filmmaker [who] forges an unusual friendship with an octopus living in a South African kelp forest, learning as the animal shares the mysteries of her world.” This is a remarkable film that touches on relationship, sacrifice, healing, time, and nature. Please watch the documentary (available on Netflix) in advance of the evening. Hope you can join in!

Apart but Together—A Heart of Prayer(s), in the Church Courtyard

Despite the current stay at home order, many must be out in our community because of their employment. Others may choose to get out and enjoy some fresh air and exercise. To remind folks that our faith community is still present, a new interactive prayer station has been installed in our courtyard. A plywood heart covered with a grid of nails has been lovingly crafted by our own Peter Newlands. Participants are invited to hold an intention—a person or a situation—in their heart, to choose an elastic according to the colour chart, and to place it on the board. The goal is to create a colourful witness to our community's prayers.