

# Bethesda Episcopal Church

**The Day of Pentecost: 10am Sung Eucharist**

**5 June 2022**

*We continue to recommend that masks be worn throughout the service.*

**Prelude**

Fantasy on Veni Creator Spiritus

*Richard Proulx (1937-2010)*

*Derek Stannard, organ, and Robert Moore, saxophone*

**Entrance Hymn #516**

*From The Hymnal 1982*

**The Opening Acclamation**

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

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

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* And with thy spirit.  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, who didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people by sending to them the light of thy 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 merits of Christ Jesus our Savior. **Amen.**

*The people are seated*

**The First Lesson**

Acts 2:1-21

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.

*The Lector concludes*  
*The People respond*

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God

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

*George Elvey (1818-1893)*

- 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!

**The Second Lesson**

Romans 8:14-17

All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

*The Lector concludes*  
*The People respond*

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

*The people stand to sing*

**At The Gradual** Hymn #509

*From The Hymnal 1982*

*Remain standing for*

**The Holy Gospel**

John 14:8-17

*Celebrant*  
*People*

The Holy Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ according to John  
Glory be to thee, O Lord.

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."

*Celebrant*        The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*            Praise be to thee, O Christ.

## **The Sermon**

Fr Wallace

**The Nicene Creed**    *Said by all, standing.*

I believe in one God,  
    the Father Almighty,  
    maker of heaven and earth,  
    and of all things visible and invisible;  
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
    the only-begotten Son of God,  
    begotten of his Father before all worlds,  
    God of God, Light of Light,  
    very God of very God;  
    begotten, not made;  
    being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation  
    came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,  
    and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered and was buried:  
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;  
and he shall come again, with glory,  
to judge both the quick and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.  
And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life,  
    who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;  
    who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified;  
    who spake by the Prophets.  
And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,  
    and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**The Prayers of The People**    *Please kneel.*

This week, in our Anglican cycle of prayer, we remember the Anglican Church of Southern Africa, and in the Albany diocese, for our diocesan convention meeting this weekend. In our parish, we give thanks for our choir and for the ministry of music at Bethesda.

We remember with thanksgiving those who are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this

week and those whose year's mind falls at this time.

Let us pray to God the Holy Spirit, saying, "Come, Holy Spirit, come."

Come, Holy Spirit, creator, and renew the face of the earth.  
*Come, Holy Spirit, come.*

Come, Holy Spirit, counsellor, and touch our lips that we may proclaim your word.  
*Come, Holy Spirit, come.*

Come, Holy Spirit, power from on high: make us agents of peace, and ministers of wholeness.  
*Come, Holy Spirit, come.*

Come, Holy Spirit, comforter, give to all who are sick, or in special need, your strength and guidance.  
*Come, Holy Spirit, come.*

Come, Holy Spirit, breath of God, give life to the dry bones of this exiled age, and make us a living people, holy and free.  
*Come, Holy Spirit, come.*

Come, Holy Spirit, wisdom and truth: strengthen us in the risk of faith.  
*Come, Holy Spirit, come.*

*The Celebrant concludes with a Collect*

*The Celebrant introduces the Confession*

*The people say*

Almighty God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
maker of all things, judge of all men:  
We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins  
and wickedness,  
which we from time to time most grievously have committed,  
by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,  
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.  
We do earnestly repent,  
and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;  
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us,  
the burden of them is intolerable.  
Have mercy upon us,  
have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,  
forgive us all that is past;  
and grant that we may ever hereafter  
serve and please thee in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of thy Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**The Absolution** *Said by the Celebrant*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**The Peace** *All stand. At the exchange of the Peace, please remain in your pew.*

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

**At The Offertory** Hymn #460

*From The Hymnal 1982*

**The Great Thanksgiving** *Please stand.*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* And with thy spirit.  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* We lift them up unto the Lord.  
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.  
*People* It is meet and right so to do.

### **Proper Preface Of Pentecost**

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; according to whose true promise the Holy Ghost 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 thy Church the power to serve thee as a royal priesthood, and to preach the gospel to all nations.

**Sanctus and Benedictus Qui Venit** *Sung by all*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - - - ly, Lord God of Hosts:  
Hea-ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo - ry be to  
thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

**The Eucharistic Prayer** *Please kneel.*

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*The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer, which concludes*

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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**

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

**Agnus Dei:** Missa Exoniensis

*Lionel Dakers (1924-2003)*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

*Communion is distributed at the chancel step. Remain seated until directed by an usher.*

**At The Communion**

Spiritus Domini

*Gerald Near (b. 1942)*

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Spiritus Domini replevit orbem terrarum,  
Alleluia!

Non vos relinquam orphanos,  
Vado, et venio ad vos.  
Et gaudebit, cor vestrum. Alleluia.

Veni Creator Spiritus, mentes tuorum visita;  
Imple superna gratia quae tu creasti pectora. Amen.

*The Spirit of the Lord fills the whole world, Alleluia!*  
*I will not leave you as orphans,*  
*I go, and I will come to you.*  
*And your heart shall be glad. Alleluia.*  
*Come Creator Spirit, visit the souls of thy people;*  
*Fill with grace from on high the hearts which Thou hast created. Amen.*

**The Post Communion Prayer**

*Said by all.*

Almighty and ever living God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

## **The Blessing and Dismissal**

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. Amen.

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

*Please stand as the celebrant departs.*

**Voluntary** Sinfonia, from cantata Wir danken dir, Gott *J.S. Bach (1685-1750)*

### **Today at Bethesda**

**June special monthly envelope:** Donations in June will be directed to the Thomas T. Parke Music Fund. Fr Parke was Rector of Bethesda from 1968 to 2012. In recognition of his commitment to the liturgical and musical life of the parish, a fund was established in his name which would provide additional financial support to our choral program throughout the year. Thank you for your generosity to the ministry of music at Bethesda.

Today is the last of day of this ‘choral year’. Thank you to Kathleen, Derek and members of our choir for their dedication and commitment to our parish’s ministry of music. We look forward to seeing the choir back in September.

Please join us for coffee and refreshments following the 10am service today.

### **Upcoming at Bethesda**

**Office Changes:** During the summer weeks, the office will be staffed by volunteers. The office will be open at the following times:

Tuesdays: 12:30 pm—4: 30 pm  
Wednesdays: 10:00 am—1:00 pm  
Thursdays: 9:30 am— 1:00 pm

If you need assistance or wish to speak to Fr Wallace, please call the office at (518) 584-5980 and leave a message or email the office ([office@bethesdachurch.org](mailto:office@bethesdachurch.org)), and someone will get back to you as soon as possible. Voicemail is checked daily, including the weekend.

**Summer Refreshments:** If you are able to provide some light refreshments following the 10am service, please sign up in the narthex or speak to Fr. Wallace or Sara Manny.

**About Receiving Communion:** We will return to the administration of Holy Communion in both kinds (bread and wine) at services beginning next week, 12 June. This means that in addition to taking the host, you may, if you wish, also receive from the chalice at the Eucharist. However, this is entirely optional, and you should feel comfortable receiving only the host. Please be advised that Intinction (or ‘dipping’ the bread into the chalice) is not permitted.

### **News**

**Roof Replacement.** The roof replacement continues as more metal roof panels are being

installed on the southeast side of the church. Painting and installation of gutters and downspouts around the church will help to alleviate some of the problems that we have experienced with water from the roof coming into the basement during heavy downpours. Some of the scaffolding has been removed on the west side of the church. You may also notice that the door next to the organ console has been removed for refinishing while the stained glass is undergoing restoration at Lamb Studios.



**Ordination:** The Reverend Jonathan Beck will be ordained to the sacred order of priests at All Saints' Cathedral, Albany, on Trinity Sunday, 12 June, at 3pm. This service is open to the public. Jonathan will continue to serve at the Cathedral as he completes his studies.

**Lecture Series:** In 1908, Katrina Trask, a parishioner of Bethesda Church, and Mary Fuller of St. Paul's Episcopal in Troy, founded Wiawaka Center on Lake George. This residential retreat center was originally part of the Girls' Friendly Society, an organization affiliated with the Episcopal Church which provided training, confidence building, and other educational opportunities for young women. Its mission as a place dedicated to enriching the lives of women continues today.

Wiawaka hosts a lecture series in July and August on a variety of artistic, literary and historic topics. On July 19th, Rumara Jewett will speak on "Katrina Trask, Mary Fuller, and the Founding of Wiawaka".

The cost of attending the lecture is \$20.00. Come early and enjoy a buffet supper for an additional charge of \$15.00. Dinner is served at 6pm, followed by the lecture at 7:00 pm. To learn about other lectures in this year's series, consult [www.wiawaka.org](http://www.wiawaka.org).

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