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VIGIL OF PENTECOST

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REGIONAL CONFIRMATIONS, RECEPTIONS, AND REAFFIRMATIONS

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WELCOME IN THE NAME OF THE LORD!

A BRIEF SUMMARY OF OUR CELEBRATION ON THIS VIGIL OF PENTECOST...

CONFIRMATION: THE SACRAMENTAL RITE IN WHICH THE CANDIDATES "EXPRESS A MATURE COMMITMENT TO CHRIST AND RECEIVE STRENGTH FROM THE HOLY SPIRIT THROUGH PRAYER AND THE LAYING ON OF HANDS BY A BISHOP" (BCP, P. 860). THOSE WHO WERE BAPTIZED AT AN EARLY AGE AND THOSE BAPTIZED AS ADULTS WITHOUT LAYING ON OF HANDS BY A BISHOP ARE EXPECTED TO MAKE A MATURE PUBLIC AFFIRMATION OF THEIR FAITH, RECOMMIT THEMSELVES TO THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THEIR BAPTISM, AND RECEIVE LAYING ON OF HANDS BY A BISHOP (BCP, P. 412). ADULTS BAPTIZED WITH THE LAYING ON OF HANDS BY A BISHOP ARE CONSIDERED TO BE CONFIRMED.

RECEPTION: THE PRAYER BOOK RITE FOR CONFIRMATION INCLUDES FORMS FOR RECEPTION AND THE REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISMAL VOWS. IN SOME DIOCESES, THOSE WHO HAVE ALREADY MADE A MATURE CHRISTIAN COMMITMENT IN ANOTHER DENOMINATION ARE RECOGNIZED AS MEMBERS OF THE ONE HOLY CATHOLIC AND APOSTOLIC CHURCH, AND RECEIVED INTO THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH AND THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION. MORE INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE IN THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER (BCP, PP. 416-417) OUTLINE OF THE FAITH – ALSO KNOWN AS THE *CATECHISM* (BCP, PP. 845-862).

REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISMAL VOWS: THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER REFERS TO THOSE PERSONS ALREADY BAPTIZED WHO ARE PRESENTED TO THE BISHOP IN THE CONTEXT OF A SERVICE OF BAPTISM OR CONFIRMATION TO REAFFIRM THEIR BAPTISMAL VOWS. THESE MIGHT BE PERSONS RETURNING TO THE CHURCH AFTER A PERIOD OF UNBELIEF OR THOSE WHO HAVE ENTERED A NEW LEVEL OF SPIRITUAL LIFE. THE BCP DOES NOT SPECIFY WHO THESE PERSONS ARE, AND A VARIETY OF INTERPRETATION EXISTS. THE BCP PROVIDES A FORM TO BE USED FOR REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISMAL VOWS INSTEAD OF THE CONFIRMATION FORMULA (BCP, P. 419). THE WORD "RENEWAL" RATHER THAN "REAFFIRMATION" IS USED TO DESCRIBE THE REAFFIRMING OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT BY THE ENTIRE CONGREGATION AT BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION, OR THE EASTER VIGIL (BCP, P. 292).

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

PRELUDE

A Prelude for Pentecost by Harvey Gaul

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Hymn 112 (LEVAS), Come Holy Ghost

THE WORD OF GOD

The people standing, the Bishop says

Bishop Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

Bishop There is one Body and one Spirit;

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

Bishop One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

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

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Bishop Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.**

THE FIRST READING: JOEL 2:28-32

I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit. I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM

Psalm 150 Chanted by the Chancel Choir

THE SECOND READING: ACTS 2: 1-11

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."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN

Hymn 516 (Hymnal 1982) Come Down, O Love Divine

GOSPEL ALLELUIA

Traditional

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

All **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

THE HOLY GOSPEL: JOHN 7:37-39A

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.

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.

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

THE SERMON / HOMILY

THE PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

Bishop The Candidates will now be presented.

Include only those categories for which there are candidates

Presenters I present these persons for confirmation.

I present these persons to be received into this Communion.

I present these persons who desire to reaffirm their baptismal vows.

The Bishop asks the candidates

Bishop Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidates I do.

Bishop Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidates I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.

After all have been presented, the Bishop addresses the congregation, saying

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

People We will.

The Bishop then says

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

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Bishop 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.

Bishop 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.

Bishop 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.

Bishop 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.

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

People I will, with God's help.

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

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop 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

The Bishop then says to the congregation

Bishop Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

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

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Priest Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People Lord, hear our prayer.

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

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Then the Bishop says

Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FOR CONFIRMATION

The Bishop lays hands upon each one and says

Strengthen, O Lord, your servant *N.* with your Holy Spirit; empower *him* for your service; and sustain *him* all the days of *his* life. **Amen.**

FOR RECEPTION

N., we recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you. **Amen.**

FOR RENEWAL

N., may the Holy Spirit, who has begun a good work in you, direct and uphold you in the service of Christ and his kingdom. **Amen.**

The Bishop concludes with this prayer

Almighty and ever-living God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Bishop The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

THE OFFERTORY

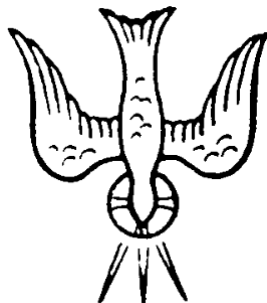
The gifts of money that are collected will be donated to the Bishop's Special Assistance Fund, which the Bishop uses to help individuals and organisations in need.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Hymn of Fire by Eugene Butler

OFFERTORY HYMN

Hymn 511 (Hymnal 1982) Holy Spirit, Ever Living



HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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Bishop The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Bishop Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Bishop Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Bishop It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. 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:

SANCTUS

Grayson Warren Brown

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of hosts
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 stand or kneel.

Then the Bishop continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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."

Bishop

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Bishop continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary, [*the names of the patron saints of the host and participating congregations*], the witnesses of your Son's resurrection, and all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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 forever. **AMEN.**

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

All

**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.**

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

Agnus Dei

Bishop The gifts of God for the people of God.

ALL ARE WELCOME

All Baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion. If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion and wish to receive a blessing, please cross your arms across your chest to indicate that you would like a blessing.

COMMUNION ANTHEMS

Psalm 23 by Gordon Jacob

Sanctify Me by James Abbington

COMMUNION HYMN

Hymn 505 (Hymnal 1982), O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God

After Communion, the Bishop says

Bishop Let us pray.
All **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

THE 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!**

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Rise, O Church Like Christ Arisen, Tune: LAUDA ANIMA

Rise, O church, like Christ arisen,

from this meal of love and grace;
may we through such love envision
whose we are, and whose, our praise.
Alleluia, alleluia;
God, the wonder of our days.

Rise, transformed, and choose to follow
after Christ, though wounded, whole;
broken, shared, our lives are hallowed
to release and to console.
Alleluia, alleluia;
Christ, our present, past, and goal.

Rise, remember well the future
God has called us to receive;
present by God's loving nurture,
Spirited then let us live.
Alleluia, alleluia;
Spirit, grace by whom we live.

Service be our sure vocation;
courage be our daily breath;
mercy be our destination
from this day and unto death.
Alleluia, alleluia.
Rise, O church, a living faith.

POSTLUDE

Toccata on Veni Creator Spiritus arr. Xavier Richardson

Immediately after the service, the Bishop will take photographs with the candidates and their families. All are welcome to a reception following the service in the Parish Hall.

Congratulations to all our confirmands, those received into our Communion, and those who reaffirmed their baptismal promises at this celebration. May God continue to bless you as you seek to follow Jesus each day!