

**THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY****Welcome**

**Sentence**                    Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful; and kindle in us the fire of your love.

**Processional Hymn # 379** (tune: Darwall)                    **Rejoice, The Lord Is King (v. 1- 5)**

1. Rejoice the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore! Rejoice, give thanks and sing and triumph evermore. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice: rejoice; again I say, rejoice!
2. Jesus the Saviour reigns, the God of truth and love; when he had purged our stains, he took his seat above. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice: rejoice; again I say, rejoice!
3. His kingdom cannot fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven; the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice: rejoice; again I say, rejoice!
4. He sits at God's right hand till all his foes submit, and bow to his command, and fall beneath his feet. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice: rejoice; again I say, rejoice!
5. Rejoice in glorious hope; Jesus, the judge, shall come and take his servants up to their eternal home. We soon shall hear the archangel's voice; the trump of God shall sound, rejoice!

**THE GREETING**

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

*Celebrant*                    May his grace and peace be with you.  
*People*                         **May he fill our hearts with joy.**

**THE COLLECT FOR PURITY**

*Celebrant*                    Almighty God, 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.**

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Celebrant*                    Almighty and everliving God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal, keep us in the unity of your Spirit, that every tongue may

tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

**1st Reading:** Ezekiel 37:1-14

**Reader**

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 round 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, 'Prophesy 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**  
**People**

The word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

**PSALM 104:24-34, 35b** *Please remain seated*

**Leader**

O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

*People* **Yonder is the sea, great and wide, creeping things innumerable are there, living things both small and great.**

*Leader* There go the ships, and Leviathan that you formed for the sport in it.

*People* **These all look to you to give them their food in due season;**

*Leader* when you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

*People* **When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.**

*Leader* When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the ground.

*People* **May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works --**

*Leader* who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke.

*People* **I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.**

*Leader* May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD.

*People* **Bless the LORD, O my soul. Praise the LORD!**

*All* **O God of eternal light, heaven and earth are the work of your hands, and all creation sings your praise and beauty. As in the beginning, by your Spirit, you gave life and order to all that is, so by the same Spirit redeem us and all things, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**2nd Reading:** Acts 2:1-21

*Reader* 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*  
*People*

The word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

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

*Celebrant*  
*All*

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

*Celebrant*  
*All*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John  
**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

But when the Counselor comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness to me; and you also are witnesses, because you have been with me from the beginning.

But I have said these things to you, that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you of them. "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 Counselor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will convince the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no more; concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

"I have yet 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 authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

*Celebrant*  
**All**

The Gospel of Christ  
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

**Homily**

The Rev. Bonnie Skerritt

## **THE CREED**

*Celebrant*  
**All**

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,  
**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**

*Leader*

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

*Leader*  
**All**

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

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

*All* **Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

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

*All* **Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

*Leader* 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.

*All* **Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

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

*All* **Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

*Celebrant* Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

*Silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* 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.**

*Celebrant* 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People* **Amen.**

## **THE PEACE**

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

*All* **And also with you.**

*The members of the community greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

**Offertory Hymn # 647 Spirit of the Living God (v. 1-2)**

1. Spirit of the living God, move among us all; make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love: humble, caring, selfless, sharing -- Spirit of the living God, fill our hearts with love!
2. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; break me, melt me, mould me, fill me – Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me!

## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

### PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

*Celebrant*

Giver of life, receive all we offer you this day. Let the Spirit you bestow on your Church continue to work in the world through the hearts of all who believe. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

### Eucharistic Prayer 6

*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 our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant*

It is right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendour of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day, and, beholding your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your name, as we say,

**All**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna  
in the highest.**

*Celebrant*

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power; your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love.

You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our creator, we might rule and serve all your

creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Saviour. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfil your purpose he gave himself up to death and, rising from the grave, destroyed death and made the whole creation new. And that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfilment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end: at supper with them he 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.

Father, we now celebrate the memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

*All*

**We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

*Celebrant*

Father, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and this cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ to the praise of your name. Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.



And grant that we may find our inheritance with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with St. Paul and all the saints who have found favour with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

*People*

**Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant*

And now, as our Saviour 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## The Breaking of Bread

*Celebrant*

"I am the bread which has come down from heaven," says the Lord.

*All*

**Give us this bread for ever.**

*Celebrant*

"I am the vine, you are the branches."

*All*

**May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.**

*Celebrant*

The gifts of God for the people of God.

*All*

**Thanks be to God.**

## AGNUS DEI

*Celebrant*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

*All*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

## PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*Celebrant*

Those wishing to do so may make their spiritual communion by joining in this prayer with me now:

*People:*

**I worship and adore you, Lord Jesus Christ, present in the Holy Sacrament and in your people, who are gathered in spirit. In this moment I join with them to receive you in my heart, and in our community. May you, enthroned on the altar, now be enthroned in my heart; may you who give yourself to us again, fill us with grace, and**

**heavenly blessing. Even as I am fed, may my hunger for you and for your reign of justice and peace increase, that I may, with your Spirit, work for that day when your reign shall come on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.**

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION & DOXOLOGY**

*Celebrant* Let us pray,  
Father, may we who have received this eucharist live in the unity of your Holy Spirit, that we may show forth his gifts to all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

*Celebrant* 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.**

## **The Blessing**

### **Recessional Hymn # 210 Yours Be the Glory, Risen, Conquering Son (v. 1 – 3)**

**Refrain: *Yours be the glory, risen, conquering Son: endless is the victory over death you won.***

- 1.** Yours be the glory, risen, conquering Son: endless is the victory over death you won. Angels robed in splendor rolled the stone away, kept the folded grave clothes where your body lay. **Refrain**
- 2.** See! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb; lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom. Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing, for her Lord is living; death has lost its sting! **Refrain**
- 3.** No more we doubt you, glorious Prince of life: what is life without you? Aid us in our strife; make us more than conquerors through your deathless love; bring us safe through Jordan to your home above. **Refrain**

## **Dismissal**

*Celebrant* Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

**All** **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**