



## The Day of Pentecost

15 May AD 2016

11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist

(The Rev.) Randy Lord-Wilkinson, *Rector*

The Rev. Javier García Ocampo, *Spanish Language Missioner*

Jerrold Tidwell, *Minister of Music*

The Rev. Deacon Kate Siberine and Diana Gustafson, *Seminarians*

*Welcome to Ascension!*

*For more information about our community, fill out a welcome card, found at either end of the pews, or take one of our welcome packets from the table under the monitor in the Narthex.*

*We meet for coffee, tea, and snacks in the Narthex after each service.*

*A Nursery for children up through age three is available all morning in the Main Building, Room 2.*

*Within the service, the people read the parts in bold print.*

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### Welcome and Announcements

Gather 409

Song Over the Waters

The Lord is here.

**God's Spirit is with us.**

Let us pray.

**Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.**

### Acts 2:1-21

When Pentecost Day arrived, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound from heaven like the howling of a fierce wind filled the entire house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be individual flames of fire alighting on each one of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as the Spirit enabled them to speak. There were pious Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. When they heard this sound, a crowd gathered. They were mystified because everyone heard them speaking in their native languages. They were surprised and amazed, saying, "Look, aren't all the people who are speaking Galileans, every one of them? How then can each of us hear them speaking in our native language? Parthians, Medes, and Elamites; as well as residents of Mesopotamia, Judea, and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the regions of Libya bordering Cyrene; and visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism), Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the mighty works of God in our own languages!" They were all surprised and bewildered. Some asked each other, "What does this mean?" Others jeered at them, saying, "They're full of new wine!" Peter stood with the other eleven apostles. He raised his voice and declared, "Judeans and everyone living in Jerusalem! Know this! Listen carefully to my words! These people aren't drunk, as you suspect; after all, it's only nine o'clock in the morning! Rather, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy. Your young will see visions. Your elders will dream dreams. Even upon my servants, men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. I will cause wonders to occur in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and a cloud of smoke. The sun will be changed into darkness, and the moon will be changed into blood, before the great and spectacular day of the Lord comes. And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
Thanks be to God.

Gather 329

Send Us Your Spirit

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John [14:8-17]  
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father; that will be enough for us." Jesus replied, "Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been with you all this time? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Don't you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words I have spoken to you I don't speak on my own. The Father who dwells in me does his works. Trust me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or at least believe on account of the works themselves. I assure you that whoever believes in me will do the works that I do. They will do even greater works than these because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask for in my name, so that the Father can be glorified in the Son. When you ask me for anything in my name, I will do it. "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. I will ask the Father, and he will send another Companion, who will be with you forever. This Companion is the Spirit of Truth, whom the world can't receive because it neither sees him nor recognizes him. You know him, because he lives with you and will be with you.

The Gospel of the Lord  
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Meditation

The Rev. Deacon Kate Siberine

The Baptismal Covenant

<i>Celebrant</i>	Do you believe in God the Father?
<i>People</i>	<b>I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.</b>
<i>Celebrant</i>	Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
<i>People</i>	<b>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.</b>
<i>Celebrant</i>	Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
<i>People</i>	<b>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.</b>

*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.**

### **The Prayers of the People**

*Prayers are invited, either silently or aloud. After each spoken prayer, a gong will sound.*

**Gather 471**

**As a Fire is Meant for Burning**

### **The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord is here.

**God's Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right indeed to give you thanks most loving God, through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, the first born from the dead, the pioneer of our salvation, who is with us always, one of us, yet from the heart of God. For with your whole created universe, we praise you for your unfailing gift of life. We thank you that you make us human, and stay with us even when we turn from you to sin.

**God's love is shown to us:**

**While we were yet sinners,**

**Christ died for us.**

In that love, dear God, righteous and strong to save, you came among us in Jesus Christ, our crucified and living Lord. You make all things new. In Christ's suffering and cross you reveal your glory and reconcile all peoples to yourself, their true and living God.

In your mercy you are now our God. Through Christ you gather us, new-born in your Spirit, a people after your own heart. We entrust ourselves to you, for you alone do justice to all people, living and departed.

**Now is the acceptable time, now is the day of salvation.**

Therefore with saints and martyrs, apostles and prophets, with all the redeemed, joyfully we praise you and sing:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and  
might, heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est!

*The Celebrant continues*

All glory to you, giver of life sufficient and full for all creation. Accept our praises, living God, for Jesus Christ, the one perfect offering for the world, who in the night that he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup, 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, to forgive sin. Do this as often as you drink it to remember me.

Therefore, God of all creation, in the suffering and death of Jesus our redeemer, we meet you in your glory. We lift up the cup of salvation and call upon your name. Here and now, with this bread and wine, we celebrate your great acts of liberation, ever present and living in Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come.

**Amen! Come Lord Jesus.**

May Christ ascended in majesty be our new and living way, our access to you, Father, and source of all new life. In Christ we offer ourselves to do your will.

Empower our celebration with your Holy Spirit, feed us with your life, fire us with your love, confront us with your justice, and make us one in the body of Christ with all who share your gifts of love.

**Through Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Creator God. Amen**

*As our Savior Christ has taught us,  
we are bold to say:*

Our Father in heaven,  
holy is 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.

*As our Savior Christ has taught us,  
we now pray:*

Eternal Spirit,  
Earth-Maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,  
Source of all that is and that shall be,  
Father and Mother of us all.  
Loving God, in whom is heaven:  
The hallowing of your name echoes through the universe!  
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples  
of the world!  
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!  
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom  
sustain our hope and come on earth.  
With the bread we need for today, feed us.  
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.  
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.  
From trials too great to endure, spare us.  
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.  
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,  
now and forever. Amen.

*From A New Zealand Prayer Book, p. 181*

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread, and a period of silence is kept.*

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

*People:* We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died and lives in you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.*

*The Bread and the Cup are given with these words*

**The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.**

**The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.**

*Administration of the Sacrament: All are welcome to the Lord's Table at Ascension. To receive communion, come to the communion station. Receive the bread in the palm of your hand. Eat the bread and then drink from the cup when it is offered to you, or you may hold the bread and dip it into the wine when the cup is offered to you. Gluten-free wafers are also available. Make your need known to the Clergy by holding up three fingers. If you wish to receive a blessing rather than receive communion, please join in the movement to the communion station and cross your arms over the front of your chest - this will alert the Clergy of your desire to be blessed. If you need communion brought to you please let a member of the Welcome Team know.*

*Healing Prayers: If you would like to receive the laying on of hands for healing for yourself or another, go to the prayer annex to the right of the pulpit after receiving communion. A healing minister will be there to pray with you.*

Let us pray.

God of all, we give you thanks and praise, that when we were still far off you met us in Jesus and brought us home. Dying and living, he declared your love, gave us grace and opened the gate of glory. May we who share Christ's body live his risen life; we who drink his cup bring life to others; we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world. Amen.

Gather 494

Anthem

The Peace

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

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**PRAY FOR COMFORT, HEALING, COURAGE, AND HOPE:**

Rose Boynton, Carol Clark, Alvaro Gonzalez, Marguerite Johnson, Sarah Rubin, Nancy Snee, Janet Spencer, Lou Spencer, Fran Spina, and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

We pray for peace in the world and all who are serving our country here and abroad, especially those in harm's way, and their families.

Equip us and empower us to be witnesses to your love – as advocates and as servants, as ministers of welcome and of hope for refugees and all affected by natural disasters, violence, and war.

We pray for all special intentions, and those on our extended Healing Prayer List.

We give thanks for those who were confirmed yesterday at the Cathedral, Alice Bennett, Grace Bennett, Jerry Fitzpatrick, Fayemi Johnson, Wendy Quijada, and Alfred Wasikye.

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## Worship Leaders

		<b>This Week</b>	<b>Next Week</b>
<b>Reader:</b>	<b>7:45 am</b>	Jackson Douglas	Jean Cohn
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Diana Gustafson Sue Snay	Andrew Greene Susan McLaughlin
	<b>11:15 am</b>	Kendall Anderson	Peedy Terry
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	Rebecca Smith-Kevern	Christine Yankus-Eng
<b>Prayers:</b>	<b>7:45 am</b>	Jackson Douglas	Jean Cohn
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Gary McLaughlin	Betsy Hasegawa
<b>Chalicians:</b>	<b>7:45 am</b>	Leslie Sanya Diana Gustafson	Enid Cole Sharon Hayden
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Margaret Tellu Swithin Kwamena-Poh	Major Clemens Jerry Pfadenhauer
	<b>11:15 am</b>	Anika Lalmansingh Laura Shay	Georgana Maines Page Salazar
	<b>5:00 pm</b>	Rebecca Smith-Kevern	Christine Yankus-Eng
<b>Healing Prayer Ministers:</b>			
	<b>7:45 am</b>	Meredith Horan	Lisa Murdock
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Diana Gustafson	Javier Ocampo
	<b>11:15 am</b>	Alex Langley	Laura Shay
<b>Acolytes:</b>	<b>7:45 am</b>	Ron Hayden Aidan Douglas Jackson Douglas	Raymond Chin Aidan Douglas Jackson Douglas
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Alfred Wasikye Kofi Dickson Lisa Dickson	Kofi Kwamena-Poh Kayleigh Yankie Sam Mendimasa
<b>Welcome Team:</b>			
	<b>7:45 am</b>	Don Cohn Jean Cohn	Enid Cole Janet King
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Nii Armah Akuete Ruby King Charles Dickson	Swithin Kwamena-Poh Kevin Blanc Algernon Thomas
	<b>11:15 am</b>	Page Salazar Clark Didavi	Sciou Broderick Peedy Terry
<b>Flower Delivery:</b>		Alice Padmore Esther Sawyer	Adoma Baffoe Hawa Clemens
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	<b>7:45 am</b>	Enid Cole Mardia Dennis	Leslie Sanya Wadai Dennis
	<b>9:00 am</b>	Caryl Thomas Adoma Baffoe Dotty Pfadenhauer	Ophelia Yalley-Ogunro Esther Taylor Sari Stoddard
	<b>11:15 am</b>	Lynne Shaer Georgana Maines	Anika Lalmansingh Avin Lalmansingh
<b>Weekly Altar Guild Team:</b>		7:45 am Team	9:00 am Team
<b>Eucharistic Visitor:</b>		Pamella Irons-Forth Kate Foley	Barb Mansfield Enid Cole

## LEADERSHIP AT ASCENSION

### *Clergy*

The Rev. Randy Lord-Wilkinson, *Rector*  
The Rev. Javier García Ocampo, *Spanish Language Missioner*

### *Seminarians*

The Rev. Deacon Kate Siberine  
Diana Gustafson

### *Musicians*

Jerrold Tidwell, *Minister of Music*  
Howard Hanson, *Musician, Service for Families with Small Children at 10:15 a.m.*  
Samuel Munguia, *Musician, Spanish Language Service at 11:00 a.m.*  
Eric O'Loughlin, *Musician, 5:00 p.m. Service*

### *Wardens*

Enid Cole, *Senior Warden*  
Betsy Hasegawa, *Junior Warden*

### *Vestry*

2017: Denise Lionetti, Najma Stubblefield, Paul Whitmore  
2018: Janet King, Avin Lalmansingh, Gary McLaughlin  
2019: Rose Buck, Zadinga Ogada, John Pruessner  
Sari Stoddard, *Clerk of the Vestry*  
Howard Holland, *Treasurer*

### *Mission Area Leaders*

Zadinga Ogada, *Christian Formation for Children*  
Angie Hight-Walker, *Christian Formation for Youth*  
Ted Bedell, *Facilities*  
Howard Holland, *Finance*  
Paul Boynton, *Outreach*  
Randy Lord-Wilkinson, *Pastoral Care*  
Jean Cohn, *Personnel*  
Carleton MacDonald, *Worship*

### *Delegates to Diocesan Convention*

Kristen Keating, Carleton MacDonald, Sue Snay  
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### *Staff*

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