

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Millwood, Virginia



Holy Eucharist II

The Day of Pentecost – May 19, 2024

Order of Worship for 9:30 a.m.

Serving the people of Clarke County and beyond since 1738

Welcome, Guests!

No matter who you are, in this space you are loved.

Please let us know how we can support you by filling out a Welcome card and placing it into the offering plate. If you would like a conversation with or a visit from our rector, The Rev. Melanie Lewis, please call the church office at 540-837-1112.

We welcome you in Jesus' name.

Restrooms are in the building immediately to the right of the church.

Please come to **Fellowship Hour** after the service in the Parish House behind the church.

Nursery care is available for this service, in the Parish House behind the church.

Busy Bags are available for children in the narthex.

Holy Communion, or **Eucharist**, is for all baptized Christians. When you come to the altar rail, you may choose to drink from the common cup, or dip (intinct) your wafer in the intinction cup. If you would like a blessing only, please cross your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available—simply ask the priest. If you would like to have communion brought to you in the pew, be sure to tell an usher.

Welcome

Prelude Suite of Marches for Trumpet and Organ *Henry Purcell*

Hymn 225 Hail the, festival day! *Ralph Vaughan Williams*

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ is risen!

People The Lord is risen, indeed, Alleluia!

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.*

Hymnal S 278

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant 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.*

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.' "

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 104:25-35, 37

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!

Second Lesson

Romans 8:22-27

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor 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 The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 508

Breathe on me, breath of God

Lister R. Peace

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel

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

Jesus said to his disciples, “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.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Melanie Lewis

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. *Amen.*

The Prayers of the People

The Leader and People pray responsively

Pour out your Spirit upon all people, and inspire us, O Holy One, that we may proclaim your message of love and peace, saying:

Come Holy Spirit, abide with us.

Give us your blessing, so that every member of your Church might serve you with humility and love.

Come Holy Spirit, abide with us.

Give all clergy, especially Mark and Gayle our bishops, and Melanie our priest, the grace to be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Come Holy Spirit, abide with us.

Grant that all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world would be inspired to work for justice and peace.

Come Holy Spirit, abide with us.

Guide us to do your will in all that we undertake.

Come Holy Spirit, abide with us.

Transform our sadness into joy, our worry into peace, our despair into hope. We pray especially for Jane, Elizabeth, Vicky, Hisham, Charlie, Ruth, Lisbeth, Richard, Pam, Ellie, Fred, Kenneth, Lynn, Joan & Jarrett, Whitney, Wayne & Peg, George, Joe, Walter, Jim, Rick, Anita & Keith, Ed, Logan, Darien, Linda, Wallace, Gail, Mark, Jessica, Denise & Bob, John & Louise, John, Douglas, David, Sharon, Judy, Ellen, Ron, Alice, Brown, Madeline, Judy & Jennifer, Suzanne, Hal, Marion, Pat and Dan, Dorothy, Anne, Bill, and Sophia.

Come Holy Spirit, abide with us.

Be present with the poor, the oppressed, the unemployed, prisoners and all who remember and care for them.

Come Holy Spirit, abide with us.

Help us all to remember that the earth is your own creation, so that we may use its resources rightly, and to your honor and glory.

Come Holy Spirit, abide with us.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect:

O God, who has taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the same Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Birthday and Anniversary Blessing

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as *they* begin another year. Grant that *they* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *their* trust in your goodness all the days of *their* lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentences: Let us with gladness offer the gifts of our life and labor unto the Lord.

Offertory I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light *Kathleen Thomerson*
Children's Choir

At the Presentation: *Doxology*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

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 him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a proper preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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:

Celebrant and People

Hymnal S-128

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
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 Celebrant 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant 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 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 for ever. *AMEN.*

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

The people stand or kneel.

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

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia!

Hymnal S 164

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world:
Give us your peace, give us your peace.

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

Communion Anthems

The Majesty and Glory of Your Name
Humbly I Adore Thee

Tom Fetkke
Thomas Aquinas

Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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 peace of God, which passes 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
Spirit be with you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Hymn 347

Go forth for God

Erik Routley

Dismissal

Celebrant Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude

Amazing Grace

John Newton

***The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God
and in honor of Donna and Kerry Gray's 27th wedding
anniversary by Donna Gray.***

Worship Assistants

Time	Crucifer	Chalice	Lector	Psalmist/ Intercessor	Ushers	Flowers	Fellowship Hour Hosts
9:30 a.m.	Bill Waddell	Terry Chandler	Frits Geurtsen	Ross Dunning	Jim Dove & Terry Johns	Donna Gray	Amy Moore

Announcements

Adult Forum continues today at 11 a.m. in the Parish Hall. Please join us for the next installment of "Faith Streams in the Christian Tradition," presented by Melanie+. Today we will be discussing the *Charismatic Stream* and the *Social Justice Stream*. The final forum in this series will be next Sunday, May 26th.



The Episcopal Church Welcomes You!

Sunday Mornings at Christ Church

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist II (nursery available)

10:45 a.m. Fellowship Hour

11:00 a.m. Adult Forum in the Parish House

We worship at Old Chapel at 6:00 a.m. on Easter Day and at 10:30 a.m. on the second Sunday in September.

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Parish Vestry (year term expires)

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