Day of Pentecost May 19, 2024



St. Thomas' Episcopal Church Camden, Maine

8:00 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist, Rite I

Children are always welcome in the church. Please be sure your cell phone is inaudible.

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Opening Hymn 225 vv. 1, 2 Hail thee, festival day!	Salve Festa Dies
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The Communion

This is God's table, all are welcome.

Gluten free wafers are available; ask the priest when you come to the altar rail. You can request that Communion be brought to your pew by letting an usher know.

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Dismissal Response: Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia

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10:00 am – The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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Prelude

Opening Hymn 225 vv. 1, 2 Hail thee, festival day! Salve Festa Dies

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Gloria (insert in Hymnal) Robert Powell Hymnal S280

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Sequence Hymn 509 vv. 1-3 Spirit divine, attend our prayers Nun danket all und bringet ehr

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Sanctus (insert in Hymnal) Robert Powell Hymnal S129

The Lord's Prayer page 364

The Breaking of the Bread

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Postlude

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The Collect

O God, who on this day taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your 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 Jesus Christ your Son 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 [English, Spanish]

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."

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!

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.

The Gospel [German, Kiswahili, English] 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.

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Liturgical Ministers

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Paul Briggs Organist: Clarissa Brown, Minister of Music

8:00 a.m.

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Sandy Lyle Lay Readers: Sandy Lyle, Pat Ayers Intercessor: Jan Lyle Usher: Jan Lyle

10 a.m.

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Roy Gilley Lay Readers: Gwen Prosser, Jacqueline Recht Intercessor: Sarah Groman Ushers: Cheryl White, Phil Groman

People in our Prayers

Healing: Fr. Tom Pike, Edmund, Andrew, Jan Dolcater, Helene, John, Cheryl, Phyllis, Michael, Bob, Sylvia, Matthew Jackson, Marlene, Percy, Joan Grey, Bayard Chanler, Margery, Cathy, James, Jennifer Smith, Ken, Joseph, Kelli McGuire, Tony, Jo Panayotoff, Joyce S, Jan Schaefer, Kyle R., Christine & Paul M, Jolene & Joseph G., Evie Bridges, Luke Morelli, Elizabeth and Gerard Gillespie, Leah, Tim Peters, Janice Boetsch, Lucy Ebbert, Shirley, Tiffany Andrews, Budge Walen, Chris, Sandy, Vicki Boetsch, Allison Davis, Catherine G, Annabel, Virginia, Pam Kaler

Birthdays: Donovan Bowley, B.S.G. (May 20)

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Michael, Auburn; for all church musicians and choirs; for parishes in transition.

This Week at St. Thomas'

Sunday, May 19:

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist *(Coffee Hour Follows)* 4:00 p.m. Centering Prayer

Tuesday, May 21:

11:00 a.m. Memorial Garden Committee

Wednesday, May 22:

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Healing 11:00 a.m. Bible Study

Thursday, May 23:

5 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, May 26:

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist *(Coffee Hour Follows)* 4:00 p.m. Centering Prayer

A.A. meetings are held daily at 6:30 p.m.

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