

We are very grateful and please to welcome Fr. Dan Goodwin as our Preacher this morning. So good to have you here!

Today is the **Day of Pentecost** and we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the Church. The week that follows is called the Octave of Pentecost and in it are the Pentecost Ember Days – days of solemn prayer for the ministry of the church. To that end the **Holy Communion** to be celebrated on **Monday and Tuesday at 5pm** and **Thursday at 10am**.

On Sunday, **June 4th**, during the 10am celebration of the Holy Eucharist, *there will be a wedding!* **Ali Larsen**, a member of St. George's who recently moved to Dartmouth, was confirmed last June. Her fiancé, **Marcus Hahn**, is the son of Marilyn Mockler. Marilyn was a member of St. George's prior to her death last year. Please **remember them in your prayers** and do plan to come and join with us in worship.

For your calendar: **St. George's Parish Picnic – Sunday, June 18th**.

St James Outdoor Plant Sale – Corner of St George Blvd and Fairview Drive, **Saturday June 3rd 8:30 – Noon**. Donations for the sale would be greatly appreciated. Call Loretta at 854-5499.

The **funeral Service for Ken Arbeau** is scheduled for tomorrow (Monday) at **1pm** at St. George's. Please **remember Ken's daughters** Erika, Erin and Jamie Lynn, and his fiancée, Lynn in your prayers. *Rest eternal grant unto him, O Lord and let light perpetual shine upon him.*

Daily Bible Readings

A modified schedule from the Prayer Book's Table of Lessons

Sunday	Joshua 7	Hebrews 3
Monday	Joshua 9:3-end	Hebrews 4:1-13
Tuesday	Joshua 10:1-15	Hebrews 4:14-5:10
Wednesday	Joshua 21:43-22:8	Hebrews 5:11-6:end
Thursday	Joshua 22:9-end	Hebrews 7
Friday	Joshua 23	Hebrews 8
Saturday	Joshua 24:1-28	Hebrews 9:14



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Jesus Christ the same, Yesterday, Today and Forever

Pentecost - Whitsunday May 28, 2023



Parish Prayer Chain: To pass a message on to the Parish Prayer Chain, from Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. please the Office. After Office Hours, please contact Cathie @ 855-7969 or cdingwell@gmail.com

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Propers of the Day

Introit Psalm: *The Spirit of the Lord hath filled the whole world, alleluia: and that which containeth all things hath knowledge of the voice, alleluia, alleluia. Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered: let them also that hate him flee before him. Glory be...*

Collect for Purity	p. 67
Collect & Lesson	p. 205
Pentecost Anthems	p. 204
The Holy Gospel	p. 206

Today's Hymns

Litany
181 (Melcombe)
485 (Trentham)
487 (Down Ampney)

Hymns During Communion

783 (Invocation); **503** (Vox Dilecti);

Dear friends in Christ, today is the 50th day after Easter, commonly called the Day of Pentecost. It was on this glorious day that God descended upon the Church with the sound of a rushing, mighty wind and in cloven tongues like as of fire, through the Person of His Holy and Eternal Spirit. In this Visitation, the Lord came to fill His bride with divine life, and to abide with her for ever. With glad and grateful hearts, then, for the comfort, peace and joy which are ours through the Holy Ghost, *let us pray:*

O God, who makest us glad with the yearly remembrance of the coming of the Holy Spirit upon thy disciples in Jerusalem: Grant that we who celebrate before Thee the Feast of the Pentecost may continue thine for ever, and daily increase in thy Holy Spirit, until we come to thine eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

V/ Let us go forth in peace.

R/ In the Name of the Lord. Amen.

Station at the Chancel Steps

V/ The Spirit of the Lord filleth the world;

R/ And that which holds all things together hath knowledge of the Voice. Alleluia. *Let us pray*

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light; look favourably upon the whole church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; and by the tranquil operation of thy perpetual providence carry out the work of men's salvation; that the things that were cast down may be raised up, and that all things may return into unity through Him by whom all things were made, even thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

9:15 A.M. – MORNING PRAYER

Psalm: 145	p. 516
First Lesson: Joel 2: 28-end	(Pew Bible page 737)
Second Lesson: Romans 8:1-17	(Pew Bible page 913)

5:00 P.M. EVENING PRAYER

Psalm 48 & 104 Part 2	pp 390, 463
First Lesson: Isaiah 11: 1-9	(Pew Bible page 573)
Second Lesson: Romans 8: 18-end	(Pew Bible page 158)

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Richard Miller, Gertrude Awanda Stockall, Donald A. Beemer, Arnold Beers

*“Let us remember before God the faithful departed.”
Shawn Leamon, Ken Arbeau, Rev. Val Chongva*

Amongst the faithful departed we remember, from this Parish, Private William Cheek who died June 3, 1916, and is buried in Belgium. He awaits with us the Lord's return and the Resurrection at the Last Day.

This Week in the Parish

The Daily Offices of **Morning and Evening Prayer** will be prayed at **8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. weekdays**, respectively.

Monday	Funeral for Ken Arbeau	1:00 p.m.
	Holy Communion	5:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Holy Communion	5:00 p.m.
	Scouts	7: 00 p.m.
Wednesday	Bible Study	10:00 a.m.
	Cubs & Beavers	6:30 p.m.
	Bible Study (<i>St. James</i>)	6:30 p.m.
Thursday	Holy Communion	10:00 a.m.

The Rector's Corner

Today the Church celebrates the descent of the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the Giver of Life. As the Lesson says, He came with the sound of “a rushing mighty wind” and with “cloven tongues, like as of fire”. He filled the apostles and enabled them “to speak with other tongues”. (Acts 2. 3-4) It must have been an incredible day and an unforgettable experience for all involved, both the apostles and those who were in Jerusalem for the Jewish Feast of Pentecost.

The supernatural manifestations that occurred on the Day of Pentecost may cause us to wonder about the Holy Ghost: Who is He? Article V, on page 700, makes this statement from what the Bible teaches:

“The Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son, is of one substance, majesty, and glory, with the Father and the Son, very and eternal God”.

Commenting on this, Edgar Gibson, (a former Bishop of Gloucester) makes a number of connections to Holy Scripture. First, he points out that “throughout the New Testament, personal actions are ascribed to the Holy Spirit” – actions that are not designated to the Father and the Son. We know this from what the Lord Jesus said:

“But the Comforter, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my Name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.” (St. John 14.26)

“If I do not go away, the Comforter will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment... 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. (St. John 16.7-13)”

Teaching, reminding, convicting, guiding, glorifying – these are the actions of the Holy Ghost as detailed by Jesus. And, there are others listed in the epistles; for example, St. Paul wrote:

“The Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. 27 And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God” (Romans 8. 26-27)

Also, Paul spoke of the gifts of the Holy Spirit:

“For to one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues.” (1 Corinthians 12. 8-10)

And to the Christians in Galatia, the fruit of the Spirit: *“love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law”*. (5.22-23)

Finally (for now), as Bishop Gibson mentioned, we read of the Spirit being “grieved” (Ephesians 4.30); of people being “led by the Spirit” (Galatians 5. 18); of it being possible to “lie to the Holy Ghost” (Acts 5.4), and to “blaspheme against Him” (St. Matthew 12.31).

Through all of these, we can see that the Spirit is a Divine Person, distinct from the Father and the Son. And yet, as we read about Creation, in the first verse of Genesis; and of Jesus’ baptism, in the first chapter of the Gospel according to St. Mark, the Three are One. And so Article V says that the Holy Spirit “is of one substance, majesty, and glory, with the Father and the Son, very and eternal God”.

At Baptism, the Holy Spirit came to wash us from sin. He came to dwell in your heart. At Confirmation, through the Laying on of the Bishop’s hands, the same Spirit that descended at Pentecost gave us spiritual gifts to help us follow Christ. Let us open our hearts wide to His Presence and work in our lives. Alleluia! God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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“Pentecost is for us, as for the ancient Jews, a kind of harvest festival, and offering of the first fruits: The word of God, sown in our hearts and minds, by the inspiration and guidance of the Holy Spirit, is brought to fruition, and we offer up to God the first fruits of the grace which he has given us.” excerpt: Sermon by Robert Crouse, given Pentecost June 7 1981

Theology Glossary

The Nunc Dimittis, also known as the Song of Simeon, is found on page 22 of the Book of Common Prayer in the Evening Prayer Service. The words are attributed to the Jewish man, Simeon, who picked up the infant Jesus at the Jerusalem Temple (see Luke 2: 25-35). This is a hymn of praise to God, who revealed to Simeon through the Holy Spirit that he would not die before seeing the Messiah. It has been used during evening prayers since the 4th century because it conveys the sense of fulfillment, peace, and comfort of being in union with our Lord.