

St Stephen the Martyr Anglican Church, Burnaby

Sunday, May 24, 2026 - 10 AM
The Feast of Pentecost



"Veni Sancti Spiritus", St. Aloysius Somers Town, London, England

Holy Eucharist Service
with Zoom Option

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Thank you for joining us for worship this morning! This document provides a guide for our time together. You are invited to join in saying the words in **bold**. Bookmarks to pre-mark the hymnals are available where you picked up this guide. Hymns today are in the blue "Common Praise" hymnals.

The Gathering of the Community

Words of Welcome & A Territorial Acknowledgement

Opening Hymn "Wind Upon the Waters" CP-408

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

May his grace and peace be with you.

May he fill our hearts with joy.

Jesus Christ, whom we worship, is our crucified, risen and ascended Lord and we have walked with him through his journey of love.

We have faced the agony of his suffering and death on a cross.

We have rejoiced at his bursting free from the bonds of death.

We have enjoyed his risen presence with us and his revelation of himself through the breaking of bread.

We have seen his return to the throne before which every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that this Jesus is Lord.

And now, with the followers of his own time, we await the coming of the promised Holy Spirit, his gift to his people, through whom we make Christ known to the world.

As we wait in silence,
fill us with your Spirit.

As we listen to your word,
fill us with your Spirit.

As we worship you in majesty,
fill us with your Spirit.

As we long for your refreshing,
fill us with your Spirit.

As we long for your renewing,
fill us with your Spirit.

As we long for your equipping,
fill us with your Spirit.

As we long for your empowering,
fill us with your Spirit.

Silence is kept.

Collect of the Day

God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death: fill your church with faith and hope, for a new day has dawned and the way of life stands before us; through Jesus Christ, our risen Saviour. **Amen.**ⁱ

The children and their teachers move to Sunday School.

The Gloria

“Glory to God” CP-702

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Reading

Acts 2:1-21 Read by Bob R

It is now fifty days since the Resurrection. Many pilgrims have come to Jerusalem for the Festival of Weeks. Luke, the author of Acts, tries to describe the coming of the Holy Spirit, but all he can say is what it is like. Divinity, to some extent, is beyond our experience and comprehension.

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 people 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, “Fellow Jews 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.”

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s People.

Thanks be to God!

The Psalm

Psalm 104:24-34ⁱⁱ Cantor: Bob D

The cantor sings the refrain first, then everyone repeats it the second time. The cantor sings the verses.



Send forth your Spi - rit, O God, and re - new the face of the earth.

Refrain: Send forth your Spirit, O God, and renew the face of the earth.

O God, how manifold are your works: in wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.

Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number,
creatures both small and great.

Refrain: Send forth your Spirit, O God, and renew the face of the earth.

There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, which you have made for the sport of it.
All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.

You give it to them; they gather it, you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

Refrain: Send forth your Spirit, O God, and renew the face of the earth.

You hide your face, and they are terrified; you take away their breath,
and they die and return to their dust. You send forth your Spirit, and they are created;
and so you renew the face of the earth.

Refrain: Send forth your Spirit, O God, and renew the face of the earth.

May your glory endure for ever; may you rejoice in all your works.

You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.

Refrain: Send forth your Spirit, O God, and renew the face of the earth.

I will sing to you as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

May these words of mine please you; I will rejoice in you, O God.

Praise God, O my soul. Hallelujah!

Refrain: Send forth your Spirit, O God, and renew the face of the earth.

The Second Reading

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

Read by Roxee

Early in this letter, Paul has noted that the Christians at Corinth "are not lacking in any spiritual gift"; even so, they appear to have written to him on the subject. He now teaches them more about gifts provided through the Holy Spirit.

No one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. 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 powerful deeds, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All

these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

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Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation
"Alleluia" CP-715 (refrain only)
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

The Gospel Reading
John 20:19-23

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

Early on Easter Day, Mary Magdalene has discovered that Jesus' body is missing from the tomb. There is a man standing nearby. When he speaks to her, she recognizes him as Jesus. She has told the disciples: "I have seen the Lord."

Now Jesus appears in his resurrection body.

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

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Homily
The Venerable Ruth Monette (video)

Opportunity for Contemplation with Musical Interlude
Natan Bádue

Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we sing,

Affirmation of Faith Hymn
"I Believe in God Almighty" CP-44

Prayers of the Peopleⁱⁱⁱ

led by Elaine

The leader will name aloud our parish's known prayer concerns and conclude with the following prayer:

We pray for God to fill us with his Spirit.

Generous God, we thank you for the *power* of your Holy Spirit.

We ask that we may be strengthened to serve you better.

Lord, come to bless us

and fill us with your Spirit.

We thank you for the *wisdom* of your Holy Spirit.

We ask you to make us wise to understand your will.

Lord, come to bless us

and fill us with your Spirit.

We thank you for the *peace* of your Holy Spirit.

We ask you to keep us confident of your love wherever you call us.

Lord, come to bless us

and fill us with your Spirit.

We thank you for the *healing* of your Holy Spirit.

We ask you to bring reconciliation and wholeness
where there is division, sickness and sorrow.

Lord, come to bless us

and fill us with your Spirit.

We thank you for the *gifts* of your Holy Spirit.

We ask you to equip us for the work which you have given us.

Lord, come to bless us

and fill us with your Spirit.

We thank you for the *fruit* of your Holy Spirit.

We ask you to reveal in our lives the love of Jesus.

Lord, come to bless us

and fill us with your Spirit.

We thank you for the *breath* of your Holy Spirit, given us by the risen Lord.

We ask you to keep the whole Church, living and departed,
in the joy of eternal life.

Lord, come to bless us

and fill us with your Spirit.

Generous God, you sent your Holy Spirit upon your Messiah at the river Jordan,
and upon the disciples in the upper room:

in your mercy fill us with your Spirit,

**hear our prayer, and make us one in heart and mind
to serve you with joy for ever. Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

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.

Most merciful God,
**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.**

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.
Amen.

The Peace

God has made us one in Christ.
He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come, has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia^{iv}.

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

The congregation is invited to share a sign of the peace of Christ with one another.

Offertory Hymn

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God" CP-649

During the singing of the Offertory Hymn, the greeters will bring the offering plates through the congregation. Financial offerings may be placed in the plates at the entrances to the worship space or made online at www.ststephenburnaby.ca/pages/donate. St Stephen's depends on the generosity of our members and visitors to continue to offer Christ's light to our neighbours

The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord.^v
Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer

May God be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of ev'ry nation and tongue.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus

“Holy, Holy, Holy Lord” CP-719

**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. Hosanna in the highest.**

O God most mighty, O God most merciful,

O God our rock and our salvation, hear us as we praise,
call us to your table, grant us your life.

When the world was a formless void, you formed order and beauty.

When Abraham and Sarah were barren, you sent them a child.

When the Israelites were enslaved, you led them to freedom.

Ruth faced starvation, David fought Goliath, and the psalmists cried out for healing, and full of compassion, you granted the people your life.

You entered our sorrows in Jesus our brother.

He was born among the poor, he lived under oppression, he wept over the city. With infinite love, he granted the people your life.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup,
gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering his death, we cry out Amen.

Amen.

Celebrating his resurrection, we shout Amen.

Amen.

Trusting his presence in every time and place, we plead Amen.

Amen.

O God, you are Breath: send your Spirit on this meal.

O God, you are Bread: feed us with yourself.

O God, you are Wine: warm our hearts and make us one.

O God, you are Fire: transform us with hope.

O God most majestic, O God most motherly,

O God our strength and our song,

you show us a vision of a tree of life with fruits for all

and leaves that heal the nations.
Grant us such life, the life of the Father to the Son,
the life of the Spirit of our risen Savior,
life in you, now and forever.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer
"The Lord's Prayer" SGP-12

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be 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 forever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

Agnus Dei
"Lamb of God" CP-745

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us peace, grant us peace.**

The Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Come to this table not because you must - but because you may.
Come not because you have all faith,
but because you have some faith and would like to grow.
Come because you love the Lord and would like to love more.
Come because all is ready and because you are his body.

To Receive Communion:

Please come forward to the step before the Altar to receive. We begin with the choir, the tech team, and the pews behind them and then move to the other side. Be attentive to physical distancing as you move within the space. To receive, extend both hands, one on top of the other so that the wafer may be placed on your palm. For the wine, you may take a sip from the chalice. We do not dip the wafer into the wine.

If you are not receiving wine, you may stay until the chalice is offered to you or return to your seat immediately.

If you would prefer a blessing instead, please ask for one.

If you need Communion brought to you, please alert a greeter or wave at the priest when everyone else has received.

Those on Zoom will say this prayer together.

If you are attending in-person, but are not receiving communion at this time, you may also wish to say the following prayer.

In union, O God, with all your faithful people gathered wherever the eucharist is celebrated this day, we offer you praise and thanksgiving for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption given to us through the life, death and resurrection of Christ, and for the means of grace and the hope of glory.

We pray that we may know you in heart, and soul and mind. Let nothing separate us from you. May we serve you in this life until, by your grace, we come to your promised reign of justice and peace; through Christ and in the unity of the Spirit. Amen.

Communion Hymns

“Holy Spirit, Come to Us” SNC-161 – see below.

“One Bread, One Body, One Lord of All” CP-645

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Holy Spirit, Come to Us". It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The first system includes the lyrics: "Ho-ly Spir-it, come to us, kin-dle in us the fire of your love. Ve-ni San-cte Spir-i-tus, tu-i a-mo-ris i-gnem ac-cen-de." The second system includes the lyrics: "Ho-ly Spir-it, come to us. Ho-ly Spir-it, come to us. Ve-ni San-cte Spir-i-tus, ve-ni San-cte Spir-i-tus." The music is in a key with one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature.

Individual Prayer with Anointing

Following communion, everyone is invited to receive personal prayer with anointing for healing.

Hymn: “In God Alone” CP-563

The Sending Forth of the Community

Prayer After Communion

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, so that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen.^{vi}

Glory to God,

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.

Announcements

Val

Blessing^{vii}

May the Spirit,
who hovered over the waters when the world was created,
breathe into you the life he gives.

Amen.

May the Spirit,
who overshadowed the Virgin when the eternal Son came among us,
make you joyful in the service of the Lord.

Amen.

May the Spirit,
who set the Church on fire upon the Day of Pentecost,
bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ.

Amen.

And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Sending Hymn

"Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness" SGP 108

Dismissal

Filled with the Spirit's power, go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

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Please join us in the Parish Hall after the service for tea and coffee!

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Liturgical Note:

In the context of Christian worship, Israel does not refer to the current political state but either to the historic Hebrews of the ancient Near East, or in Christian theology, to all people who put their faith and trust in Jesus Christ.

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ENDNOTES

ⁱ The Collect is from *Common Worship: Additional Collects (2004) alt.*

ⁱⁱ The Psalm is from the George Black Psalter <https://theredeemer.ca/music/george-black-psalter/>

ⁱⁱⁱ The Prayers of the People are from *Times & Seasons*, Church of England

^{iv} The introduction to the Peace comes from *Times & Seasons*, Church of England

^v Prayer over the Gifts is from *Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt*

^{vi} Prayer after Communion is from *Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) al*

^{vii} Blessing is from *Times & Seasons*, Church of England.