



St. Martin's Episcopal Church + Bridgewater, NJ
Sunday May 28, 2023 + 10:30 am

Sung Mass: Feast of Pentecost: Whitsunday



Pentecost

YOU ARE WELCOME HERE!

We are honored that you are worshiping with us this morning. Whether you have been attending Mass for 50 years, or whether this is your first Sunday- we are glad that you're here.

St. Martin's is a safe space for everyone and a place of prayer for all people.

Children are loved and welcome here. The sound of small voices is a joyful song of praise that reminds us of Christ's resurrection life. Your children are always welcome to sit with you during Mass. However, there is Sunday School for children ages 2- 5th grade (Sept.-May). Go through the door next to the crucifix and you will find the classrooms down the hall on the right. Your children will join you later for Holy Communion.

If you need a "cry room" please feel free to sit in the Lady Chapel. Go through the door next to the crucifix and you will see the Lady Chapel immediately on your left. You are able to hear the Mass there. But please know you and your child are always welcome to remain in the main church to celebrate Mass with all of us.

St. Martin's is also a safe space for the LGBTQ+ community. We love, welcome, support and affirm you and your family. You and your children are welcome to fully participate in parish life and to receive all of the Sacraments. Let us know your pronouns and we will strive to name you as you wish to be named. (Please be patient with us: many of us are still learning).

Holy Communion

You are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood if you desire it.

Jesus Christ offers grace to you in Holy Communion and we will not turn anyone away from Christ's healing grace. To receive communion, place one hand over the other and the priest will place the precious body of Christ in your hand: you should consume it then.

A Eucharistic Minister will follow with a chalice. If you wish to receive the precious blood of Christ, grasp the base and assist the chalice to your lips. If you do not wish to receive from the chalice, cross your arms over your chest as the chalice approaches, or simply return to your seat after you consume the host. It is customary not to leave the altar until the person next to you has received communion. If you prefer a blessing instead of communion, cross your arms over your chest and the priest will give you a blessing.

Opening Hymn and Asperges *Hail, Thee Festival Day!* Vv 1-2 *Blue Hymnal, 225* Station at the Font

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth

Let us pray: O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, through Christ Our Lord, *Amen*.

***Hail, Thee Festival Day!* Vv 3-4**

Blue Hymnal, 225

Alleluia! Christ Is Risen! *The Lord Is Risen Indeed. Aleluia!*

Collect of Purity
Gloria

Mathias, *Blue Hymnal*, S-278

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.*

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Please be seated.

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.' "

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 104 *Ant: Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.*

O Lord, 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. **(Ant)**

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. **(Ant)**

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. **(Ant)**

May the glory of the Lord endure forever; may the Lord rejoice in all his works.

May these words of mine please him; I will rejoice in the Lord. **(Ant)**

A Reading from 1 Corinthians

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 miracles, 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. The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

The Gospel Acclamation

Please stand as able

The Alleluia is sung by a Cantor; then repeated by all.



V: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.
Alleluia...

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*
On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, “Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, ‘Out of the believer’s heart shall flow rivers of living water.’” Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified. The Gospel of the Lord. *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Homily

The Nicene Creed *Please stand*

BCP, 358

The Prayers of the People *Remain standing, or kneel*

BCP, 385

The Peace and Welcome

Please be seated

Offertory Hymn *Praise the Spirit in Creation*

Blue Hymnal, 507

The Great Thanksgiving:

Sursum Corda

Blue Hymnal, S120

The prayer continues in the red prayer book, page 373

Sanctus

Mathias, Blue Hymnal, S128

Please continue standing or kneel as you are able. The Eucharistic Prayer continues on page 373

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, (Our Father... **BCP, 364**)

The Fraction and Fraction Anthem

The musical notation for the Fraction Anthem consists of three staves. The first staff is labeled 'Cantor' and the second 'All'. The third staff continues the melody. The lyrics are: 'Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sa - cri - ficed for us; There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.'

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

Happy are they who are called to his Supper.

The people may silently pray: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Holy Communion

Are are welcome to receive the Body and Blood of Christ in this most Blessed Sacrament. Many of us kneel to receive Communion, but you may stand if you desire.

Communion Hymns

Breath of God

Voices Found, 59

1 Breath of God, life - bear - ing wind, wak - ing
 2 Breath of God, word - bear - ing wind, truth—re -
 3 Breath of God, fire - bear - ing wind, source of
 4 Breath of God, song - bear - ing wind, stir - ring

mat - ter in - to birth, plant - ing prom - ise, prompt - ing
 veal - er, pro - phet's speech, guide to vis - tas of the
 pow - er, love, and light, melt - ing fears and join - ing
 won - der to re - joice, yearn - ing's ech - o, gra - ce's

hope: with your life re - new the earth.
 mind: let your word ex - cite and teach.
 tongues: with your fire our hearts ig - nite.
 dance: let your song give our prayers voice.

Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove

Blue Hymnal, 510

**Post-Communion Prayer
The Blessing and Dismissal**

Book of Common Prayer, 365

Closing Hymn: Spread, O Spread, Thou Mighty Word vv. 1, 2, 4 *Blue Hymnal, 530*

Serving Today

Thurifer: Fausto Beleno Crucifer: Claire Francis Reader: Omar Francis
Euch. Min: Larry Ottenstroer Choir: Alison Jandek, Beth Hixenbaugh, Jane Maloney, Rob Vernon
Ushers: Ed Farmer Organist: Kathy Shanklin Flutist: Kevin Willois
Celebrant: Father Rob Laws+

The Altar Flowers have been given by Hunter and Karen Birkhead to the glory of God in thanksgiving for their many blessings of family, friends, and faith.

If you would like to offer flowers on the altar in honor of someone or in memory of someone, please fill out the flower form (which may be found in the narthex) and place it in the offering plate. The cost is \$50. You may write a check with altar flowers in the memo line, or pay online. You may also offer the Sanctuary Light with a special intention. The suggested offering is \$15.

Please join us in the undercroft for coffee and refreshments following Mass.

UPCOMING EVENTS

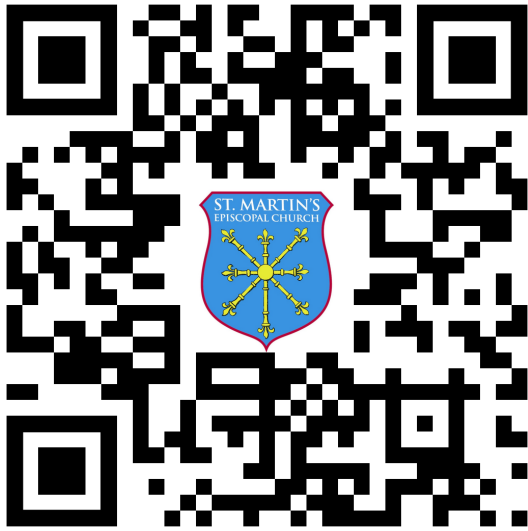
Sunday June 04	Trinity Sunday
Saturday June 10	Muniz/Burgos Nuptial Mass
Sunday June 11	Corpus Christi: Feast of the Precious Body and Blood of Christ

Summer Mass schedule begins on Sunday June 04. One weekend Mass only at 10 am. Please note last night was the last Saturday Mass until the Saturday after Labor Day.

Father Rob and Fausto will be on vacation from June 13- 27

The Rev. Ayden Petrone (they/them) will be supplying on June 18. Deacon Petrone serves as a Transitional Deacon at St. Matthew's, Pennington, and will be ordained to the priesthood in early June. They live in Ewing with their wife and six year old son. Deacon Petrone will have been ordained to the priesthood by June 18, and prefers to be called "Reverend Ayden"

The Rev. Scott Russell will be supplying on June 25. Father Russell is the Canterbury Chaplain at Rutgers, and serves as the Chair of the Diocesan LGBTQ+ Commission. He is also the Ecumenical Officer for the Diocese.



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