

PENTECOST



SUNDAY

(Stained glass window from St Aloysius' church in Somers Town, London)

**Pentecost Sunday – May 20, 2018, 10:30 a.m.
First Annual “Pentecost in the Park” with St. Mark’s Pro-Cathedral and
First Presbyterian Church of Hastings**

PRELUDE

“Spirit of the Living God”
Keyboardist Linda Vollweiler

Daniel Iverson

CHORAL INTROIT

“Hail Thee, Festival Day!”
Combined Presbyterian and Episcopal Choirs

WELCOME

The Reverend Greg Allen-Pickett and The Very Reverend Katie Hargis

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Rushing Wind of the Spirit, breathe new life into us!

Blazing Flame of the Spirit, burn away our fears!

Comforting Presence of the Spirit, heal our wounds.

Let us prepare to worship and praise you, O Holy Spirit.

Spirit of God, come upon us this day and fill us with your love.

Make us people who will proclaim God’s good news in all that we do.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We aren't ready, Lord. It is easier for us to hide in the upper rooms of our lives, to let the world go by and not acknowledge your presence. But you have challenged us to come alive again with your love and words of healing mercy. Forgive our hesitant witness and our complacent spirits. Heal our fears and our wounds. Help us to be agents of healing and hope for others. Challenge and inspire us to overcome our feelings of inadequacy and remind us that you have called us beloved and have given us what we need to proclaim your Good News. Help us be Pentecost People. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Don't be afraid!

God's Holy Spirit brings us comfort and hope.

You are being prepared to serve God in some mighty ways.

Rejoice! God's Holy Spirit is with us always.

In the name of Jesus Christ, through the power of the Holy Spirit, you are forgiven and loved as God's own.

Alleluia! Amen!

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE “Glory to God” (sing 2x through)

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*PEACE OF CHRIST

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

(Greet others around you this morning by exchanging the Peace of Christ.)

CHORAL ANTHEM

“Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us”

Combined Presbyterian and Episcopal Choirs

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O God, open our hearts and minds and souls to hear your word as if for the first time. May your Holy Spirit help us experience anew the surprise and joy that your presence in the word can bring us. Amen.

1st SCRIPTURE READING - Romans 8:22-27

2nd SCRIPTURE READING – Acts 2:1-21

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

“Holy Spirit Hope!”

HYMN

“On Pentecost They Gathered”

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Responsive Apostles’ Creed)

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

We will take communion by **intinction**.

Come to the front, receive a piece of bread and dip it in the chalice.

On the left, **Greg** will have a chalice with **grape juice**.

On the right, **Katie** will have a chalice with **wine**.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious God, may we who have received this sacrament live in the unity of your Holy Spirit, that we may show forth your gifts to all the world. As the church, may we rise from the Communion Table and be sent by the power of the Holy Spirit to participate in God's mission to the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*HYMN "Spirit of the Living God" (We will sing 2 times through) 288

*CHARGE and BLESSING

*CHORAL RESPONSE "Go to the World!"
Presbyterian and Episcopal Combined Choir

Presiding:

The Very Reverend Katie Hargis, Episcopal Dean of St. Mark's Pro-Cathedral, Hastings
Reverend Greg Allen-Pickett, First Presbyterian Church of Hastings

Leading Music:

Linda Vollweiler, Keyboardist
Dr. Robin Koozer, Choir Director

Special thanks to the members of our Presbyterian and Episcopal Combined Choir

Please stay after the service to enjoy a potluck and fellowship