



ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

in the heart of the Historic Stockade District

THE FEAST OF PENTECOST

24 MAY 2026 - SOLEMN HIGH MASS - RITE I, 10AM

The Reverend Thomas J. Pettigrew, *Rector*
The Reverend Abigail Bee, *Deacon*
Dr. Brian J. Taylor, AAGO, *Director of Music*

MASS SETTING

Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

Joseph Utterback (b.1944)

THE OPENING HYMN, HYMN 225

Hail thee, festival day!

Salve festa dies

Upper voices sing the odd numbered stanzas, lower voices sing the even numbered stanzas, all sing the Refrain

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

(people kneel)

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE INTROIT

Sung by the Cantor & Choir

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

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

THE KYRIE ELEISON, HYMNAL S-91

Sung by all

(people kneel)

Lord, have mercy upon us. (3x) Christ, have mercy upon us. (3x) Lord, have mercy upon us. (3x)

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS, HYMNAL S-202

Sung by all

(people stand)

**Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace, good will towards men.**

**We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship
thee,**

we glorify thee,

**we give thanks to thee for thy great
glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the
Father Almighty.**

**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus
Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of
the Father,**

**that takest away the sins of the world, have
mercy upon us.**

**Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive
our prayer.**

**Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the
Father, have mercy upon us.**

**For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou
only, O Christ,**

**with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of
God the Father. Amen**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pentecost

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who on this day didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people by sending to them the light of thy 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 the merits of Christ Jesus our Savior, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

A READING from the Acts of the Apostles

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.'

V. The Word of the Lord

R. Thanks be to God

THE GRADUAL: Psalm 104.25-35

sung by all

(people sit)

- 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 Le-**viathan,** *
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 cre-**ated;** *
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.** *
Halle-**lujah!**

A READING from the First Letter of Paul to the 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.

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



AL - LE - LU - IA. Al - le - lu - ia.

Alleluia, **Alleluia**. O send forth thy Spirit and they shall be made: and thou shalt renew the face of the earth.
Alleluia. Come Holy Ghost and fill the hearts of thy faithful people: and kindle in them the fire of thy love.

The Alleluia is NOT repeated. Instead follows immediately...

THE SEQUENCE

Text is found in the Hymnal no.226

Sung by the Choir

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 24.44-53

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO SAINT LUKE

R. Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you-- that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

V. The Gospel of the Lord. **R. Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Rector

ANNOUNCEMENTS & GREETINGS

(People sit)

THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS, Book of Common Prayer, page 292

(People stand)

The Day of Pentecost is one of several Holy Days set apart by the Church for conferring the Sacrament of Baptism. On this day, in lieu professing our Faith through the Nicene Creed, we will renew the vows which we have made in our Baptismal Covenant.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, Book of Common Prayer, page 305

(People kneel)

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

(people kneel)

ALL GLORY BE TO THEE, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ✠

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me." ✠

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy ✠ grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

sung by all

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

THE FRACTION

Celebrant
People

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE AGNUS DEI, HYMNAL S-158

Sung by All

(people kneel)

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Said by All

(people kneel)

WE DO NOT PRESUME to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

THE ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

All baptized Christians may receive communion.

If you wish to not receive, you are invited to come forward and cross your arms, indicating that you wish to receive a blessing.

Gluten-free hosts are available.

THE COMMUNION SENTENCE

Sung by the Cantor & Choir

Suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind; and it filled the whole house where they were sitting alleluia: and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak the wonderful works of God alleluia; alleluia.

COMMUNION HYMN, HYMNAL 515 Holy Ghost, dispel our sadness

Geneva

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Said by All

(people kneel)

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

(people kneel)

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

(people stand)

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

THE RETIRING PROCESSION, HYMN 228

Holy Spirit, font of light

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CLOSING VOLUNTARY: Come, God Creator, Holy Ghost (BWV 667) *Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)*

MINISTERS OF TODAY'S LITURGY

Celebrant & Preacher:	The Reverend Thomas J. Pettigrew, Rector
Deacon:	The Reverend Abigail Bee
Subdeacon:	Mr. Christopher Henry
Master of Ceremonies:	Dr. Kevin Decker
Organist:	Mr. Steven Branyon
Cantor:	Miss Starrla Lares
Thurifer:	David Kennison
Boat Boy:	Aiden Bassant
Crucifer:	Arianna Bassant
Banner:	Daniel Miess
Acolytes:	Anne Kennison & Eric Bassant
Greeters:	Jim Wingate & Ann Duff
Lector:	Jim Wingate
Counters:	Jon Ewbank & Mike Todt
Altar Guild:	Natasha Bassant & Carol Gaige
Sacristans:	David & Anne Kennison

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

The Sick and those in need: Jamie, Pat, Gabriella Rose, Katie, Chase, Pedro, Isabella, Dan Bornt, Dinorah Jimenez, Nancy, Karen Perretta, Sharon A. Wemtle, Lorna, Richard, Abigail, Suzanne, Ann, Josh, Den, Sherrie, Ann-Marie, Lynn Paska, Larry, Robbie, Aubrey, Tamara, Mtr. Lisa Schoonmaker, Fred, Anna, James, Suzie, Dennis, Warren Crow, Ruth, Simon, Shannon, Robert, Diane, Chelsea, Casey, Jo-Anne, Jeff, Lisa, Patti N, Patricia, Ken Bee, Martha, Linda, Nicole, and Kathleen.

For: Tarik and Pattie Wareh, as they make the Camino de Santiago. Learn more about the Camino at <https://santiago-compostela.net/>

The prayer list will be reset every 3 months. Did we miss an important date for our birthday and faithful departed intentions? If you would like a name included on the prayer list or on the annual rota of intentions, send an email to rector@stgeorgesschenectady.org

Burials: Winifred Cerrito (25), Emily Reed (26), Marjorie Keseberg (27), Josephine Sheldon, Eugene Baxter (28), Maybelle Magee (29), Dorothy Dever (30)

Birthdays: Shannon Hartz (30)

Baptisms: Faiz Wareh, Cora Wareh (24), Giovanni Bergami, Tucker Ceci (26), Liam Weakley (27)

Weddings: none.

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 24 **WHITSUNDAY: THE DAY OF PENTECOST**

8:30 a.m. — Morning Prayer — Lady Chapel

10:00 a.m. — Solemn High Mass — High Altar

Coffee Hour follows in the Great Hall

5:30 p.m. — Evening Prayer — Lady Chapel

Tuesday, May 26 8:30 a.m. — Morning Prayer & Low Mass
5:30 p.m. — Evening Prayer — Lady Chapel

Wednesday, May 27 8:30 a.m. — Morning Prayer & Low Mass — Lady Chapel
5:30 p.m. — Evening Prayer—Lady Chapel

Thursday, May 28 8:30 a.m. — Morning Prayer — Lady Chapel
5:30 p.m. — Evening Prayer — Lady Chapel
6:00 p.m. — Low Mass — Lady Chapel

Friday, May 29 8:30 a.m. — Morning Prayer — Lady Chapel
12:00 p.m. — Low Mass — Lady Chapel
5:30 p.m. — Evening Prayer — Lady Chapel

PARISH NOTICES

WELCOME VISITORS! We'd like to extend a warm welcome to our visitors today. Whether you live in our area and decided to worship with us today or if you are visiting from out of town, we offer you a warm Georgian welcome! There are visitor cards in most of the pews and we ask that you fill one out and give it to the Greeters at the door or simply drop it in the offering plate. We'd love to see you again. Our Sunday Mass is at 10am. Details are on our website, www.stgeorgesschenectady.org.

Parish Life and Beyond

BOOK CLUB —TODAY - The All on the Same Page Book Club will be reading The Correspondent by Virginia Evans. This book has surprised critics and delighted readers since it came out about one year ago. Its themes of aging, hope, anxiety and forgiveness have resonated particularly well with a mature audience. **We will discuss the book after Mass on May 24th.**

CORPUS CHRISTI WEEKEND - St. George's will host The Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament, a devotional society of the Episcopal Church dedicated to increasing reverence for the Holy Communion, **the weekend of June 5th & 6th.** The weekend begins with a Choral Evensong on Friday evening at 6:00 p.m. featuring choral music all by local composers including our own Dr. Taylor. A reception will follow at the Rectory. On Saturday morning at 11:00 a.m. the Confraternity will offer a Solemn High Pontifical Mass with The Right Rev'd Daniel Martins, Bishop of Springfield retired, celebrating and preaching. This Mass will conclude with a Procession and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. A light luncheon will follow.

Parish Outreach

LOAVES AND FISHES — The next opportunity to serve lunch to the community at St. Francis Mission will be Saturday, May 30th. A signup sheet is located in the back of the Church. Please sign up so we can let L&F know how many to expect!

YWCA WOMEN'S SHELTER — The next collection of items for the YWCA Women's Shelter will be June 14th.

Looking Ahead

CLOTHE US IN YOUR SPIRIT REVIVAL SERVICE!

The Episcopal Diocese of Albany is sponsoring a revival service featuring The Most Reverend Michael Curry, former Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church on Thursday, June 18th at 7:00 p.m. at Christ the King Center. This free event is open to all! Go to www.albanyepiscopaldiocese.org/revival for more information and to purchase pre-service dinner tickets.

PRAYER LIST — If you have a name that you would like added to the prayer list please email the church office at office@StGeorgesSchenectady.org and we will insure that this person will be remembered in the prayers.

PARISH MINISTRY SCHEDULES POSTED ONLINE — The most recent schedule of greeters, lectors, counters, and altar guild is published online. If you are interested in serving as a lector, greeter, counter, or acolyte, please speak to Fr. Pettigrew or email him at rector@StGeorgesSchenectady.org for more information.

