



St. Mark's Anglican Church

*The Day of Pentecost*

May 24 2026

Sung Eucharist at 10:30 am

*Welcome to St. Mark's.*

*The order of service is set forth in this service sheet.  
Please stand and kneel as you are able—and as is your custom.  
Please join in singing the hymns and saying the parts printed in **bold***

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PRELUDE *Come, Holy Spirit*

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

### THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

HYMN 253

*O Glorious Day*

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ is risen.  
*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*Celebrant* May his grace and peace be with you.  
*People* **May he fill our hearts with joy.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God,  
*All* **to you all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from you no secrets are hidden.  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

GLORY TO GOD

*Common Praise, no. 686*

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God,  
who fulfilled the promises of Easter  
by sending us your Holy Spirit  
and opening to every race and nation  
the way of life eternal,  
keep us in the unity of your Spirit,  
that every tongue may tell of your glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

*People* Amen.

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

### FIRST READING

Numbers 11:24-30

Reader: Donna Belleville

Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again. Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!" And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

*Reader* Thanks be to God.

### PSALM *sung by the Choir*

104:25-35, 37

*Chant: Matthew Camidge (1758-1844)*

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.  
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.  
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.  
May the glory of the LORD endure for ever; \*  
may the LORD rejoice in all his works.  
He looks at the earth and it trembles; \*  
he touches the mountains and they smoke.  
I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; \*  
I will praise my God while I have my being.  
May these words of mine please him; \*  
I will rejoice in the LORD.  
Bless the LORD, O my soul. \*  
Hallelujah!

## SECOND READING

Acts 2:1-21

*Reader:* Donna Belleville

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 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.”

*Reader* Thanks be to God.

**HYMN 635**

*Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song*

GOSPEL

John 20:19-23

*Gospeller* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked 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.”

*Gospeller* The Gospel of Christ.  
*People* **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Most Rev'd Colin Johnson

*All stand*

THE NICENE CREED

*Celebrant* Let us confess our faith, as we say,  
*All* **We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified  
under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father.  
With the Father and the Son  
he is worshipped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic  
and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Leader: Larry Bourk*

*Leader*        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

*All*            **and fill us with your Spirit.**

*Leader*        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  
*All*            **and fill us with your Spirit.**

*Leader* 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

*All* **and fill us with your Spirit.**

*Leader* 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

*All* **and fill us with your Spirit.**

*Leader* 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

*All* **and fill us with your Spirit.**

*Leader* 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

*All* **and fill us with your Spirit.**

*Leader* 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

*All* **and fill us with your Spirit.**

*Leader* 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,

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

*Confession and Absolution are omitted for the Great Fifty Days of Easter*

## THE PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

## WORDS OF WELCOME





In the fullness of time,  
reconcile all things in Christ  
and make them new,  
and bring us to that city of light  
where you dwell with all your sons and daughters;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
the firstborn of all creation,  
the head of the Church,  
and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,  
now and forever.

*People*      **Amen.**

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Celebrant*      And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
*All*              **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 trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant*      Lord, we died with you on the cross.  
*People*           **Now we are raised to new life.**

*Celebrant*      We were buried in your tomb.  
*People*           **Now we share in your resurrection.**

*Celebrant*      Live in us, that we may live in you.

*Celebrant*      The gifts of God for the People of God.  
*People*           **Thanks be to God.**

LAMB OF GOD

*Common Praise*, no. 690

*Please follow the directions of the greeters as you make your way to the altar  
Gluten-free wafers are available. Please make your need known*

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Kathryn Rose (b. 1980)

In the hour of my distress, when temptations me oppress,  
And when I my sins confess, Sweet Spirit, comfort me!

When I lie within my bed, sick in heart and sick in head,  
And with doubts discomfoted, Sweet Spirit, comfort me!

When the house doth sigh and weep, and the world is drown'd in sleep,  
Yet mine eyes the watch do keep, Sweet Spirit, comfort me!

- *George Herbert (1593-1633)*

*After communion, all stand for*

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Celebrant* All your works praise you, O Lord.  
*All* **And your faithful servants bless you.**

**Gracious God  
we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son  
Jesus Christ.  
May we, who share his body,  
live his risen life;  
we, who drink his cup,  
bring life to others;  
we, whom the Spirit lights,  
give light to the world.  
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,  
So that we and all your children shall be free,  
and the whole earth live to praise your name;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

*Celebrant*     May the Spirit of truth lead you into all truth,  
                    give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
                    and strengthen you to proclaim the word and works of God;  
                    and the blessing of God Almighty:  
                    the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit  
                    be upon you and remain with you always.

*People*            **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

*Gospeller*     Let us go forth in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*People*            **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

HYMN 645

*Come Down, O Love Divine*

VOLUNTARY *Final from Symphony No. 1*

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

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We are delighted to welcome The Most Rev'd Colin Johnson to St Mark's. Since 2022, Archbishop Johnson has been serving as Assistant Bishop to the Diocese of Niagara. Before retiring in 2018, Archbishop Johnson served as bishop of Toronto from 2004, metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario from 2009, and concurrently as bishop of Moosonee from 2014.

**Choral Evensong** is sung this evening at 5 pm.

Please join us for what is sure to be beautiful and memorable service.

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