Pentecost Sunday

St Aidan's, Elmvale Acres

The Anglican Diocese of Ottawa

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Welcome to St. Aidan's--we are blessed by your presence today! Hymns are found in the blue "Common Praise" book. We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Algonquin Anishnaabeg People.

The Gathering of the Community

Hymn 656: She Comes Sailing on the Wind

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!** May his grace and peace be with you. **May he fill our hearts with joy!**

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. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

A Reading from Acts

When the day of Pentecost had come, the apostles 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."

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 104:25-35

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 your glory, O Lord, 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.

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 you; I will rejoice in the Lord.

Let sinners be consumed out of the earth, and the wicked be no more. Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah!

A Reading from Romans

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Procession: Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Holy Gospel

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.

Jesus said to the disciples, "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

The Gospel of Christ. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Procession: Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia!

Homily

Creed Hymn 44 (Tune 425)

The Prayers of the People

Response: Hear us, O God, Your mercy is great.

We pray for Rosemary, Lynn, Faith, Terence, Warren, Jaqueline, Blair, Nadine, Ian, Christine, Lela, June.

Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites them to this table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

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

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

Hymn 649: Breath on Me, Breath of God

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The Celebration of the Eucharist

Prayer over the Gifts

Giver of life, receive all we offer you this day. Let the Spirit you bestow on your Church continue to work in the world through the hearts of all who believe. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer Three

The Lord 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. [...]

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you thanks and praise for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true paschal lamb who has taken away the sin of the world. By his death, he destroyed death, and by his rising to life again, he has won for us eternal life. Therefore, joining our voices with the whole company of heaven, we sing our joyful hymn of praise to proclaim the glory of your name.

Proper Preface for Pentecost

Blessed are you, gracious God, filling us with gifts and leading us into all truth.

You give us power to proclaim your gospel to all nations we give you thanks and praise and to serve you as a royal priesthood.

Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels, and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells, you pour forth your Spirit upon us, to proclaim the glory of your name.

(Sung) 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.

Therefore, Father, according to his command, we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory; [...] 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 for ever. Amen.

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 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

Lord, we died with you on the cross. **Now we are raised to new life.** We were buried in your tomb. **Now we share in your resurrection.** Live in us, that we may live in you. The gifts of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

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

For Communion from the Pews, tell our Sidesperson, or raise your hand; otherwise, Communion is offered at Altar Rail.

Prayer after Communion

Gracious God, may we who have received this eucharist live in the unity of your Holy Spirit, that we may show forth his gifts to all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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.

Blessing and Dismissal

May Christ, who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future, fill you with his new life; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Hymn Handout: Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

After the Service: Everyone is invited to Coffee Time in Lindisfarne Hall for food and fellowship.

Please welcome our friends from Martin Luther Church: As they join us for our closing hymn and coffee time.

Pastoral Emergencies and Parish Matters - May to August: Please contact our Wardens, Nancy Gover (613-315-5776), Claire Chapdelaine (613-255-7151), or Chuck Adamson (613-223-3091).

Annual Spring Blessings Fundraiser: You are invited to contribute \$25 (or multiples of \$25) to 'Spring Blessings' and receive one or more colourful cut-outs to display on the wall in the Link. The cut-outs can display your name, the name of loved ones, the 'blessing' you are thankful for and/or 'Anonymous'. You will also receive a tax receipt worth approximately 46% tax savings on your donation. Purchase yours in the Link after church, stop by the church office during weekday office hours or mail your donation to 955 Wingate Drive, Ottawa, ON K1G 1S9.

Cole Education Fund: Application forms are now available for grants toward the cost of post-secondary education for young people of St. Aidan's. To be eligible for financial assistance from this fund, the applicant must demonstrate financial need; be identifiably involved in the life of St. Aidan's by service and/or attendance; and be accepted by a post-secondary education or training institution. Call or email the office for a copy of the application form.

Forms must be submitted electronically by Friday, June 7.

Help Needed In The Garden: Throughout the summer our courtyard garden needs regular attention. If you can help please contact Joan Harrison at 613 731-0339 or joan.harrison@rogers.com.

Join St Aidan's for our contemplative BCP Eucharist Service, every Wednesday at 10:00 am.

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