



*St. Mary's*  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Called to **serve, heal, and love** in the light of God.

YEARS  
**95**



"The Day of Pentecost" by Jen Norton

# THE DAY OF PENTECOST

May 19, 2024

10:30 a.m. • Rite II Holy Eucharist with Choir

The Rev. Lester V. Mackenzie, AHC  
*Presider & Preacher*

# WELCOME

## Welcome! We are glad you are here.

Here in the Episcopal Church, we truly welcome everyone. Please sign a visitor's card (or scan the QR code below) and introduce yourself to Fr. Lester after the service.

If you'd like more information on joining St. Mary's, membership, baptism, serving as a youth acolyte, confirmation, etc., contact the Parish Office at 949-494-3542 or email [parishoffice@stmaryslb.org](mailto:parishoffice@stmaryslb.org).

Thank you for worshipping with us today!



**Our Mission:** To be open to God's love and Guidance. To embrace all in the name of Christ.

**Our Vision:** To be an inclusive community called to serve, heal, and love our neighbors in the Light of God.



## New to St. Mary's?

Candida R. TerBush leads our Welcome and Engagement ministries at St. Mary's and she would love the opportunity to connect and answer any questions you may have.

Contact her at [candidarivera25@yahoo.com](mailto:candidarivera25@yahoo.com)

## Sunday Schedule

8 AM

**Traditional**

Rite I Spoken Eucharist

9:15 AM

**Adult Education**

(will continue after Easter)

10:30 AM

**Contemporary**

Rite II Eucharist with Choir

**Children/Youth**

Childcare with Mimi Chavez, Children's Chapel in the Lower Church

11:30 AM

**Hospitality/Coffee Hour**

Guild Hall

## Weekly Service Schedule

TUES

**10:00am, Healing Service**

Conference Call Format

WED

**11:00am, Eucharist**

Spoken, Church

THURS

**7pm, Taizé Heartfulness**

First Thursdays, Church

## Ways to Give

Gratitude for your financial support of St. Mary's. Please consider giving to help us continue our ministry here in Laguna Beach and beyond.



Text GIFTMARY  
to 44321



During the offering  
on Sunday



Online through  
Give Lively platform



Mail offering & pledges  
to Parish Office

# Ministry Schedule

If you are unable to serve when you are scheduled, or made a change to the schedule, please mark the schedule in the Narthex and also contact the Parish Office.

We can always use more volunteers to help out with our Sunday liturgies! If you would like to help with being a reader, acolyte, usher, hospitality, etc., please contact the Parish Office.

## TODAY AT 10:30AM

First Reader	Christopher Gilbertson
Second Reader	Carrie Joyce
Crucifer	Ben Brown
Chalice	Pat August
Ushers	Larry & Marjorie Gorum
Hospitality	Vanessa & John

## Next Sunday, May 26, 10:30 am

First Reader	Tom Davis
Second Reader	Aden Welle
Crucifer	Martha Davis
Chalice	Tammi Ford
Ushers	Jim van Gaasbeek & Suzy Horaney
Hospitality	Stephanie & Kayla



## Next Sunday's Lessons

Isaiah 6:1-8, Romans 8:12-17, John 3:1-17, Psalm 29

# This Week at St. Mary's

## Sunday, May 19: Pentecost Sunday

8AM	Rite I Holy Eucharist spoken
10:30AM	Rite II Holy Eucharist with Choir <i>Hospitality Hour following</i>

## Monday, May 20

7PM	AA Men's Group Meeting, Guild Hall
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## Tuesday, May 21

10AM	Healing Service, Conference Call Format
7PM	AA Women's Group Meeting, Guild Hall
7PM	L.B. Chamber Singers, Church

# Parish Prayer List

## For the departed

Betty K, Dave Brokaw, Loretta Gautreaux, Colette Marsaud, Nancy Guthrie, Ralph Root, Blake Franklin, Bill Ford,

## For healing, comfort and other requests

Mimi, Marcia F, Betty T, Miranda P, Alan, Melissa, Jim, Randy, Lie, Bettina, Pinkie M, JoAnn, Kayla K, Mary H, Josephine, Pamela, Joe, Terry, Sara, Jerry, Terrie, Nancy, Carol, Phoebe, Ralph, Hampton, Mimi, Francesca, Grace, Josh, John P., Tanya, Daniel, Tom, Jan, Karen, Lynn, Gregory, Erin, Ashley, Kady, Beau and Erika, Mike L, Erin, Tina, Milana, Linda, Kenedy, Jill, John, Chris, Richard, Sarah, Corrie, Pat, Lauren, Judy, Jan

## For all others in need

Those affected by natural & environmental disasters especially Japan, all in fear in Ukraine, Ethiopia, Sudan, Kongo, Israel and Palestine.

## For our City of Laguna Beach and the Diocese of Los Angeles

Prayer cards can be found in the Narthex or scan the QR Code here:



## Wednesday, May 22

10AM	Parish Staff Meeting
11AM	Wednesday Weekly Eucharist
7PM	AA Men's Group Meeting, Guild Hall

## Thursday, May 23

8AM	Men's Bible Study, Office Library
6:30PM	Toastmasters Meeting, Guild Hall

## Friday, May 24

1PM	Women's Bible Study, Office Library
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## Saturday, May 25

4PM	L.B. Chamber Singers Concert, Church
8PM	AA Living Sober Group Meeting, Guild Hall



# Your Parish Leadership

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The Parish Office is open Monday - Friday,  
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. each week.

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Janet Chisholm · Class of 2026

Glen Roske · Class of 2026

John Kilpatrick · Class of 2026

Marc Mullendore · Class of 2026

*The Vestry meets the Fourth Sunday of each  
Month at 12:00 p.m.*

# A Few Reminders

## WORSHIP

Follow along starting on page 9. Responses are in bold.

## COMMUNION

From whatever tradition you come, you are always welcome at the Lord's table. We are currently receiving Communion at the Altar Rail.

## CHILDREN AND YOUTH

There will be childcare service with Mimi Chavez this morning. There are "Youth Bulletins" with crayons in the back of the church. All Youth are invited to help participate during our Family Service (1st Sunday at 10:30am) as readers or acolytes. Contact Fr. Lester.

## RESTROOMS

These facilities are located on our lower level, beneath the choir. For wheelchair access, please ask an usher for assistance.

## HOSPITALITY / COFFEE HOUR

Following today's 10:30am Service, all are welcome to our Guild Hall for fellowship, coffee and light refreshments.

## NEWCOMERS

Welcome to St. Mary's! Introduce yourself to Fr. Lester and complete a Newcomer Card. There is a QR code on page 3 of this bulletin to also fill out online. We are glad that you are here to join us in this faith forward journey.

*You are always welcome here.*



**Calling all Youth to help serve as an Acolyte at Church!**

If interested in being an acolyte during the 10:30am service, contact Fr. Lester.





## Altar Flower Dedication

The Altar Flowers this Sunday are given to the Glory of God from **Dennis & Carol White**, "in memory of **Ann Tower White**, beloved mother."



## FAITH FORWARD JOURNEY

UNITY IN COMMUNITY - WALKING TOGETHER - ROOTED IN JESUS

2024 Stewardship  
St. Mary's Episcopal Church

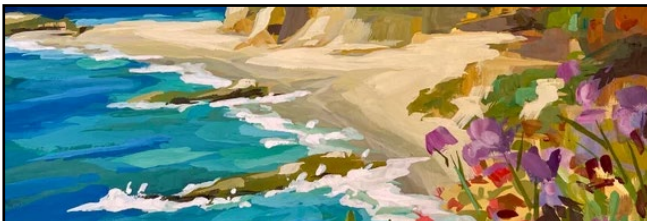
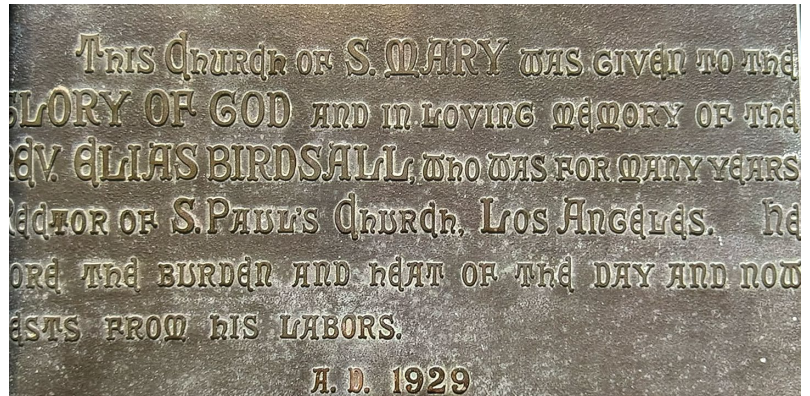
95<sup>YEARS</sup>

## A "Blast from the Past"

*As we celebrate 95 years as a community, we reflect on our history in Laguna Beach.*

Photo:

The church was dedicated to the memory of Elias Birdsall, first Protestant clergyman in Southern California. The first service in the newly-named church was on May 9, 1929. This is a photo of the original plaque of the 1929 dedication.



## The Annual Blessing of the Artists

Friday, May 31st at 6:30pm

St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church  
1042 Temple Terrace, Laguna Beach

Reception to follow on church patio

Come and enjoy!

## Sandwiches for the Homeless

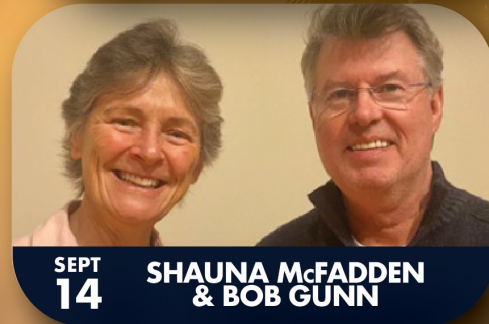
During Covid, we started providing lunches during the week for unhoused folks in Laguna Beach. They have come to wait for this every morning, and we hate to stop. We have had several different volunteers and currently need two more.

**Need Volunteers to provide lunches** (sandwich, fruit, snack) for Tuesday or Thursday mornings. You can drop them at the south beach at 9:00 am or you can drop them in South Laguna by 8:15 am at a home of Jim Keegan who takes them every morning along with coffee to the beach.

If you are willing to volunteer or want more information, please call or text Cindy Campbell (949) 683-7220.

# SUMMER SERIES V

## Fundraiser Concerts



**Ocean View Terrace • 5:30 p.m.**

at **St. Mary's Episcopal Church** (428 Park Ave. Laguna Beach)

Boxed dinners provided by local restaurants: GG's Bistro and Noonerz.



**Tickets [www.ecwstmaryslb.org](http://www.ecwstmaryslb.org)**

Concerts \$25 • Boxed Dinner for \$20 • Drinks \$5 • Season Pass \$200  
(Season Pass includes concert admission, meal & drink for each concert)

Contact Marjorie Gorum • [marlar@cox.net](mailto:marlar@cox.net) or Cristina Calderone • [ccalderone246@gmail.com](mailto:ccalderone246@gmail.com)

The Summer Concert Series is hosted by the Episcopal Church Women (ECW) of St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Laguna Beach. All proceeds support worthy causes and organizations in our community and globally.

**We sincerely thank you for your support.**



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save the dates

**Parent/Child Meeting (choose one or attend both)**

Sunday, June 23 & Sunday, July 7 at 11am (St. Mary's)

**Children's Choir Auditions**

Wednesday, July 10 at 4pm to 5pm (St. Mary's)

**Children's Choir Rehearsals**

Wednesdays, July 17, 24, 31 & August 7 at 4pm to 5pm (St. Mary's)

*Episcopal Church Women (ECW)*

**THEME FOR MAY:**

*Nurturing*

“Be the one who nurtures and builds. Be the one who has an understanding and a forgiving heart, one who looks for the best in people. Leave people better than you found them.”

Marvin J. Ashton



All Men of St. Mary's are  
invited to the monthly

## PARISH MEN'S BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 2024  
8:00AM // GUILD HALL

Questions? Contact Ben Brown



# Taizé

HEARTFULNESS SERVICE

THURSDAY, JUNE 6, 2024

7PM // ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
428 Park Ave. Laguna Beach, CA 92651



**Step Into**  
*Summer,*  
**at St. Mary's**

We will move to one, combined  
Summer Service at 9:30am on  
Father's Day (June 16) through  
Labor's Day.

# The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

*Sunday, May 19, 2024, The Sunday of Pentecost*

## OPENING HYMN • *Come Gracious Spirit*

#512

Come, gra-cious Spi - rit, heav'n - ly Dove, with light and  
 The light of truth to us dis - play, and make us  
 Lead us to Christ, the liv - ing Way, nor let us  
 Lead us to heav'n, that we may share full - ness of

com - fort from a - bove; be thou our guard - ian,  
 know and choose thy way; plant ho - ly fear in  
 from his pre - cepts stray; lead us to ho - li -  
 joy for ev - er there; lead us to God, our

thou our guide; o'er ev - 'ry thought and step pre - side.  
 ev - 'ry heart, that we from thee may ne'er de - part.  
 ness, the road that we must take to dwell with God.  
 fi - nal rest, to be with him for ev - er blest.

Before the service, we speak to God. During the service, God speaks to us.

The people stand at the introduction of the Opening Hymn.

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

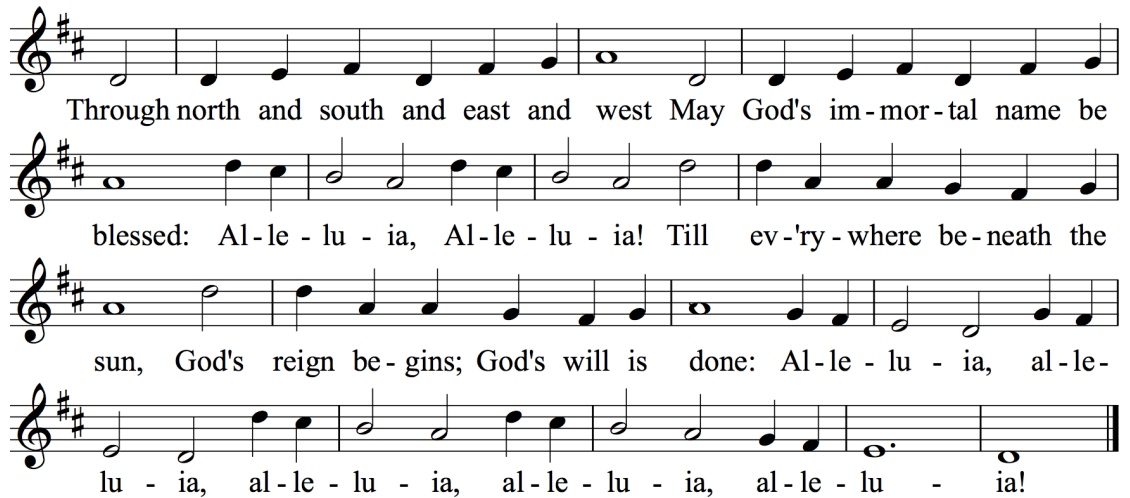
*Presider* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia.

## COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: 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.

## SONG OF PRAISE (GLORIA)



Through north and south and east and west May God's im-mor-tal name be  
 blessed: Al-le - lu - ia, Al-le - lu - ia! Till ev-'ry - where be - neath the  
 sun, God's reign be - gins; God's will is done: Al-le - lu - ia, al - le -  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Presider* God be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Let us pray. 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.

*People* **Amen.**

## The Word of God

### THE FIRST LESSON • Acts 2:1-21

*Several parishioners will read the italicized text on the next page in the languages of: French, German, Italian, Spanish, and Xhosa.*

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

The people sit for the Word of God.

Like John, Luke understands the gift of the Spirit as a reversal of this world's confusion and social breakdown brought about at Babel (Genesis 11:1-9) and the fulfillment of the promise of a new community with a new form of covenant. The law, personified, will be possessed by all and will dwell in the heart of each individual. The empowerment brought by the Spirit is not babbling but proclamation. Those that heard it, were astounded by the variety of languages in which "God's deeds of power" were communicated.



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.'*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**Thanks be to God.**

This hymn to God as our Creator shares the imagery of many near Eastern nature poems and myths but changes their emphasis. Leviathan, the primeval water monster of chaos, is god's plaything. The created world is under God's sway and owes God praise. Sin disrupts the harmony of creation, and the psalmist prays for a restoration of the original wholeness.

Paul looks to the future of humanity and of the entire material universe, to the destiny that awaits them in Christ. The fate of humanity and the cosmos are inextricably linked. Paul, like many in the Hellenistic culture, saw the world as enslaved by spiritual forces of evil, yet he saw that God's will was supreme. At the second coming, the creation itself will be liberated.

### THE PSALM • *Psalm 104:25-35, 37b, Cantate Domino*

- 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 Lev- | **iathan,**  
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 your | **works.**
- 33 You look at the earth and it | **trembles;**  
you touch 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 you;**  
I will rejoice in the | **Lord.**
- 37 Bless the Lord, O my | **soul.**  
Hallelu- | **jah!**

### THE SECOND LESSON • *Romans 8:22-27*

A reading from The Letter to the Romans

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor 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.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Thanks be to God.**

**GRADUAL HYMN • *Breathe On Me, Breath Of God***

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Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life a - new,  
 Breathe on me, Breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,  
 Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am whol - ly thine,  
 that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.  
 un - til with thee I will one will, to do or to en - dure.  
 till all this earth - ly part of me glows with thy fire di - vine.

Words: Edwin Hatch - Music: *Nova Vita*, Lister R. Peace

The people stand at the introduction of the Gradual Hymn.

Today's gospel reading from the discourse on the vine and the branches deals with the disciples' relationships with one another. Jesus's relationship with the Father has now become the model for all believers. The Father and Son's relationship of mutual indwelling is now extended to Christians. The Father's love for the Son is the basis, both in origin and in quality, of the Son's love for the believer. Believers are to love one another with a love characterized by self-sacrifice. Thus, while Christians are still servants of Christ in terms of ministry, they are friends (v. 15) of Christ in terms with intimacy with God. In and through this relationship, Christians are appointed to "bear fruit." (v16).

**THE HOLY GOSPEL • *John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15***

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to his 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 judgment: 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 judgment, 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 Good News of Jesus. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**



The people sit during the Sermon. A period of silence is to follow to reflect on the Readings and Sermon.

The people stand for the Nicene Creed.

The early Christian Church nearly divided over substantial disagreements in theology about the person of Jesus and the relationship between God the Creator, the Son and the Holy Spirit. To resolve those differences, the Emperor Constantine called a convocation of the Bishops in the year 325 AD to the city of Nicea. After much controversy, the statement of beliefs they crafted became known as the Nicene Creed. The word “creed” is from the Latin word “Credo” which means “I believe.”

## THE SERMON • *The Reverend Lester V. Mackenzie, AHC*

### THE NICENE CREED

*Presider* Let us stand and profess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

*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 and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped  
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* Pour out your Spirit upon all flesh and inspire us, O Holy One, that we may proclaim your prophesy of justice and speak your message of compassion and love, saying: Come, Holy Spirit Come.

God looks at the earth and it trembles; God touches the mountains and they smoke: Let your glory go forth into all the world to guide the leaders of the nations and all in authority, that they may obey your Spirit and bless your people. Let us pray to God,

*People* **Come, Holy Spirit, Come.**

*Leader* O Holy One, how manifold are your works; in wisdom you have made them all. Let your glory go forth to comfort all who live in poverty, violence, or threat, that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. Let us pray to God,

*People* **Come, Holy Spirit, Come.**

*Leader* The breath of the Spirit breathes new life into all creation: Raise into your resurrection life those who have died, especially .... Comfort your life-giving Spirit those for whom we pray, especially .... Let us pray to God,

*People* **Come, Holy Spirit, Come.**

*Leader* For the whole body of Christ and all who bear his holy name, for Michael our Presiding Bishop, John our bishop, for all clergy, laity and all who offer ministries, and for all who nurture our life together, that we may serve Christ with glad and generous hearts. From our Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for The Anglican Church of Canada. Let us pray to God,

*People* **Come, Holy Spirit, Come.**

*Leader* Let the fire of your divine love descend upon us, O God, to inspire and heal, to renew and empower, that the earth may be filled with your glory, and all creation sing to you in praise, through Jesus Christ the Risen One, in the power of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*People* **Amen.**

The people remain standing for the Prayers of the People.

The people greet one another with a sign of peace.

The people sit.

The people stand as are able.

## THE PEACE

*Presider* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

## WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THANKSGIVINGS

## THE OFFERTORY & OFFERTORY SENTENCE

## DOXOLOGY

*People* Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

# The Great Thanksgiving

## EUCHARISTIC PRAYER 2 (ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP)

*Presider* God be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*People* We lift them up to the Lord.

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*Presider* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down on this day from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

*Presider* Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we say:

**SANCTUS**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly, Lord.

Words: Holy, Holy, Holy - Music: Composer of melody unknown

*Presider* Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

*Presider* Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith.

*People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us to do: thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. The Great Thanksgiving, or Eucharistic Prayer, is a long prayer with four parts. Each of these four parts corresponds to a different action of Jesus at the Last Supper, where he took, blessed, broke, and gave bread and wine as sacraments of his body and blood. We begin the Great Thanksgiving with the *Sursum corda*, meaning "Lift up your hearts."

The Words of Institution recall Jesus' words at the Last Supper (instructing the disciples to do this in remembrance of him). The words of invocation called *Epiclesis* is where we ask the Holy Spirit to descend upon these gifts and upon us to make the bread and wine holy and to make us part of Christ's body.



*Presider* Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with St. Mary and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

*People* **Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Presider* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us in the language of our heart, we are bold to say:

*People* **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,  
and the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

When Jesus taught his disciples this prayer it was a summary of all prayers. Placed in our liturgy at this place it again becomes the summation of our prayers to God in blessing the Bread and Wine.

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

*Presider* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Alleluia. Alleluia.

*People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia. Alleluia.

One bread, one bo - dy, one Lord of all, one cup of  
 bless - ing which we bless. And we, though ma - ny,  
 through - out the earth. We are one bo - dy in this one Lord.

One Bread, One Body © 1978 John B. Foley, SJ and New Dawn Music

*Presider* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Holy Food for Holy People.

**LAMB OF GOD (AGNUS DEI)**

Je - sus, Lamb of God: Have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, bear - er  
 of our sins: Have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er, re -  
 deem - er of the world: Give us your peace, give us your peace.

Agnus Dei, from *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Schubert

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**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

*People* Spirit of Life, we thank you for disordering our boundaries and releasing our desires in this feast of delight: draw us out of hidden places and centres of conformity to feel your laughter and live your pleasure. Amen.

Regardless of the tradition you come or where you are in your spiritual journey, you are welcome to receive Communion at the Lord's Table.

When it is time for you to go forward to the altar rail, an usher will direct your row. Proceed to the altar rail and you may stand or kneel. Fold your right hand on top of your left, palms facing up, and receive the wafer. You may immediately eat the wafer or wait for the wine and take communion by intinction\*. To sip the wine from the chalice, guide it to your lips with your hand on the base of the chalice. Receiving just the bread or wine alone is considered full communion.

## THE BLESSING

*Presider* May the Spirit be the storm that shakes the foundations, the leap of new fire, which turns oppression to ash; may her wildness seduce us with holy desire; and the blessing of God Father, Son and Holy Spirit remain with you and those you love always. **Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN • Hail Thee, Festival Day

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*Refrain*

Hail thee, fes - ti - val day! blest day that art hal - lowed for - ev - er,  
day when the Ho - ly Ghost shone in the world with God's grace.

*Verses 1 & 3*

1)Lo, in the like-ness of fire, on those who a-wait his ap - pear - ing,  
3)Hark! for in myr - i - ad tongues Christ's own, his cho - sen a - pos - tles,  
he whom the Lord fore - told sud - den - ly, swift - ly de - scends:  
preach to the ends of the earth Christ and his won - der - ful works:

*Verses 2 & 4*

2)Forth from the Fa - ther he comes with seven - fold mys - ti - cal of - fering,  
4)Praise to the Spi - rit of Life, all praise to the fount of our be - ing,  
pour - ing on all hu - man souls in - fi - nite rich - es of God:  
light that dost light - en all, life that in all dost a - bide:

Words: Venantius Honorius Fortunatus - Music: *Salve festa dies*, Ralph Vaughan Williams

## THE DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**



This service conforms to Holy Eucharist: Rite Two, which begins on page 355 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP). Scripture readings are appointed by the Common English Bible and are excerpted from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible. Psalm texts are taken from the Book of Common Prayer. Hymns are from The Hymnal 1982.