



THE DAY OF PENTECOST: WHITSUNDAY

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

MAY 24, 2026, 9:00AM

Christ Church Episcopal

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Janet Cassidy, Jennifer Lutz, Deb Schwabe, Cathy Walsman, Members

Sharing Christ's love in the world and creating a nurturing place for all.

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 104:25-35, 37 *read responsively by whole verse*

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 Leviathan, *
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
created; *
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. *
Hallelujah!

A Reading from Acts (2:1-21)

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.' "

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymnal 513

Like the murmur of the dove's song

Tune: *Bridegroom*

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to John (20:19-23)

People: **Glory to you, Lord 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 (the Jewish authorities), 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 the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Homily

The Rev. Liz Tunney

The Nicene Creed *all standing, as you are able*

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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.

The Prayers of the People – Form III

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The Intercessor and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church:
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Episcopal Church in the Philippines. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for the churches of the Concord River Deanery: St. Anne's in-the-Fields Church, Lincoln; St. Paul's Church, Natick; Trinity Chapel, Shirley; St. Mark's Church, Southborough; and congregational acolytes.

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer we pray for George Arsenault, Chris Axner, Deborah Aylesworth, Michael Bassett, Julianne Bellows, Sam Bennett, Ennis Bragg, Ann Brown, The Carlin Family, F. T. Clark, Sam Cohen, Beau Coursen, Sidney Coursen, Laura DeCaprio, Wendy Fournier, Amelia Goodfield, Betty Hadfield, Shelley Hamm, Nancy Hardiman, Pat Hart, Paul Horvath, Donna Jacobs, Randy Joiner, Bradley Jugler, Cindy Jugler, Ken, Pat MacKinnon, Paul Madonna, Cliff Manchester, Stephen Mazzur, Marc Pleva, Ron Ruggiero, Kimberly Schoener, Stephen Shuart, Lyle Sullivan,

Kathleen Vogt, Dianne Wade, and Debby Waugh; and for those we name now, either aloud or in the quiet of our hearts.

Silence

We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries.

The Presider adds the concluding Collect

Hasten, O Father, the coming of your kingdom; and grant that we your servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider: The peace of God be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Those celebrating a birthday or anniversary are invited to come forward for a blessing.

Offertory Anthem	I will not leave you comfortless	Everett Titcomb
Hymnal 705, v. 1	As those of old their first fruits brought	Tune: <i>Forest Green</i>
The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer “B”		BCP p. 367

Presider: May God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Hymnal S-129	<i>Sanctus</i>	Robert Powell
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We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and

above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death. We proclaim his resurrection. We await his coming in glory.

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of 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 him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

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.

Presider: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

Invitation to Communion

This is the table, not of the Church, but of the Lord. It has been made ready for those who love God and for those who hope to love God more. So come if you have been here often, and come if you have not been here long. Come if you have followed, and come if you have stumbled. Come because it is the Lord who invites you. It is Christ's will that those who seek him will meet him here at His table. These are the gifts of God for all the people of God.

Please follow the Usher's guidance to come forward and either kneel or stand at the altar rail, as you are able.

First, the priest will place the wafer/bread (gluten-free on request) in your outstretched hand. The Eucharistic Minister will then offer you the cup (containing wine), from which you are invited to sip. If you prefer, you may carefully intinct (dip) the wafer in the cup. If you are unable or prefer not to receive from the cup, simply cross your arms over your chest and the Eucharistic Minister will say the words "The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation" in front of you. Please be assured that no matter how you receive – bread and wine, bread or wine only, or spiritually, you will receive the full grace of the Sacrament. If you prefer not to receive the Sacrament today, you are invited to come forward, cross your arms over your chest, and receive a Blessing in the name of the One God.

Hymnal 516

Come down, O Love divine

Tune: *Down Ampney*

Post-communion Prayer *in unison*

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Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing for Pentecost

May the Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, giving you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and to proclaim the wonderful works of God; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Announcements

Hymnal 579

Almighty Father, strong to save

Tune: *Melita*

The Dismissal

Presider: Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

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

Voluntary

Short Fugue in G major

J. S. Bach

*The flowers that beautify our altar today were given in memory of Robert S. Burkhardt
by Deb Schwabe.*

Thank you to those serving today

Brad Goodwin, lector/intercessor; Jean Bertrand, Elaine Mason, greeter/ushers
Bill Walsman, Lay Eucharistic Minister
Mickey Kerns and Cathy Walsman, coffee fellowship; Cathy Walsman, flower delivery
Elizabeth Salomé, Deborah Aylesworth, Leslie Meier, Altar Guild servers

Those serving on May 31

Elizabeth Salome, lector/intercessor; TBD, greeter/ushers
Kam Anderson, Lay Eucharistic Minister
Meg Pappas, Mary Anne and Al Richards, coffee fellowship; Kam Anderson, flower delivery
Elizabeth Salomé, Deborah Aylesworth, Leslie Meier, Altar Guild servers

News & Noteworthy

Dates of Note

- **Thursday, May 28, 7:00pm** – Cape Tech Awards Night

Ongoing

- Tuesdays, 12:00pm – Book Lovers' Gathering; the current book is a biography of Eleanor Roosevelt by David Michaelis
- Thursdays, 5:00pm – May 28 is the last choir rehearsal until fall

Office Hours -- Week of May 24 – Tuesday–Friday, 10:00–2:00pm

Altar flowers – Donating funds toward the purchase of altar flowers is a beautiful way to honor or memorialize someone special. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board by the copy room. The suggested donation is \$50 (cash or check in the plate/mailed/dropped off; write “flowers” in memo). The purchase of a sanctuary candle is also a lovely option (\$10).

100th Anniversary

Time Capsule -- Please continue adding items you would like to have placed in the time capsule!

100 Acts – Please continue to note your acts of kindness on a tag and hang them on the branches of our “tree.” Our goal is 100 acts of kindness. Examples: helping a friend, giving a ride to someone in need, donations to Family Pantry, etc. Don't be shy; kindness is contagious!

Noah's Ark Thrift Shop -- We have put out spring/summer clothing. Please remember us for donations when you are getting your spring/summer clothes out -- we can use them now!
NOW IS A GOOD TIME TO SIGN UP FOR MAY VOLUNTEER DATES!

Building Use – Outside Groups

- Saturdays, 7:30pm – AA meeting

CHRIST CHURCH EPISCOPAL SCHOLARSHIP 2026 RECIPIENTS

From Cape Cod Regional Technical High School*

NATALIE SPENCE

Natalie has been a motivated student in the Dental Assisting Program at Cape Cod Tech. She will attend Texas State University and while planning to explore fields of study to find the right fit, she shows interest in the field of Criminal Justice. She has a strong desire to improve communities and make a positive impact through helping others. Her extracurricular passion has been dance. Beginning at a young age, Natalie's experiences in dance lessons has given her confidence and built self-discipline. She has learned the value of hard work and the importance of supporting others through the opportunity to help teach younger dancers. Natalie volunteers at her church and assists teaching Sunday School to young children. Since her sophomore year in high school, Natalie has worked after school at both Shaw's and the Hot Chocolate Sparrow. Natalie acknowledges the love and sacrifice her parents have shown by working hard to save for her college. She is a very conscientious young lady who wants to make a difference in her community.

TEAGHAN MOORE

At Cape Cod Tech, Teaghan has been involved with the drama program and has received culinary training for all four years of high school. Working in the school's student-run café "The Cove," Teaghan found leadership opportunities as well as food preparation experience. She will attend Salem State University to study Theatre. Teaghan has been acting since she was six years old and loves every aspect of theatre. She has self-confidence in her creative mind and style and credits theatre for being open to all types of creative personalities. Teaghan has been a weekly volunteer at the Family Table Collaborative from September 2025 to the present. The mission of the Family Table Collaborative is to end hunger and provide nutritional security to families on Cape Cod through providing healthy, prepared meals and education where needed. Teaghan's summer employment over the past few years has been a cashier at Cape Cod Clam in Brewster and a prep cook at Hog Island in Orleans. Teaghan feels she has received many useful skills from CCT that she will build on during her college experience.

*Monomoy Regional High School students will be highlighted next week

Thank you to Deb Schwabe for volunteering to take the lead with our Scholarship program for 2026/7. She will be attending the schools' Awards Nights as our Christ Church representative this week and next.