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Sunday 5th June 2022
PENTECOST DAY

8.30 a.m. Holy Communion
10.30 a.m. Sung Eucharist

Celebrant: The Rector
Readings: Andrew Tyler
Sidespeople: Ann Lees & Libby Coats

PREPARATION

Organ Prelude Henry G. Ley: Prelude on 'Down Ampney'

Opening Chant (*please stand*)

1 Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
and lighten with celestial fire;
thou the anointing Spirit art,
who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart:

2 Thy blessèd unction from above
is comfort, life, and fire of love;
enable with perpetual light
the dullness of our blinded sight.

3 Anoint and cheer our soiled face
with the abundance of thy grace:
keep far our foes, give peace at home;
where thou art guide no ill can come.

4 Teach us to know the Father, Son,
and thee, of both, to be but One;
that through the ages all along
this may be our endless song,

5 Praise to thine eternal merit,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

John Cosin
based on Veni, Creator Spiritus

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Collect for Purity

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from whom 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.

Confession and Absolution

God is love and we are God's children, there is no room for fear in love.
We love because God loved us first. Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Silence

God our Father, we confess to you
and to our fellow members in the Body of Christ
that we have sinned in thought, word and deed,
and in what we have failed to do. We are truly sorry.
Forgive us our sins, and deliver us from the power of evil.
For the sake of your Son who died for us, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

God, who is both power and love, forgive us and free us from our sins,
heal and strengthen us by the Holy Spirit and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria Kilcreggan Mass (*see separate music sheet*) (*please stand*)

Glory to God, to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Glory to God, to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Glory to God, to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us, you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer, receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, of God the Father. Amen, Amen.

Collect

O God, who on the day of Pentecost enlightened the hearts of your people by the fire of the Holy Spirit: give us wisdom and understanding, and lead us into all truth, that your Church may be kept in the unity of the Spirit and the bond of peace; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Genesis 11.1-9 (*please sit*)

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. 2 And as they migrated from the east, they came
upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. 3 And they said to one another, 'Come, let us make bricks,
and burn them thoroughly.' And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. 4 Then they said, 'Come,
let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves;
otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.' 5 The LORD came down to see the
city and the tower, which mortals had built. 6 And the LORD said, 'Look, they are one people, and they have all
one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be
impossible for them. 7 Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not
understand one another's speech.' 8 So the LORD scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the
earth, and they left off building the city. 9 Therefore it was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the
language of all the earth; and from there the LORD scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

Psalm 104.25-35,37 (*please join in saying the text in **bold**, pausing shortly at the *asterisk*)

Refrain: Send forth your Spirit, O God, **and renew the face of the earth.**

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!

Refrain: **Send forth your Spirit, O God, and renew the face of the earth.**

Second Reading: Acts 2.1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. [2] 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. [3] Divided
tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. [4] All of them were filled with
the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. [5] Now there were devout
Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. [6] And at this sound the crowd gathered and was
bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. [7] Amazed and astonished,
they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? [8] And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own
native language? [9] Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus

and Asia, [10] Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, [11] Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' [12] All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' [13] But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' [14] 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. [15] Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. [16] No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: [17] "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. [18] Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. [19] And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. [20] The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. [21] Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Gospel Acclamation (*please stand*)

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Gospel: John 14.8-17 (*please stand*) *When it is announced:* Glory to Christ our Saviour.

Philip said to Jesus, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' [9] Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? [10] Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. [11] Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. [12] Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. [13] I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. [14] If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it. [15] 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. [16] And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. [17] This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

Give thanks to the Lord for this glorious Gospel. Praise to Christ our Lord.

Sermon: The Rector

Nicene Creed (*please stand*)

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 substance 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 of the Virgin Mary, and was made human.
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.

Intercessions led by David Brown (*please sit*)

The Peace (*please stand*) We meet in Christ's name. Let us share his peace.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Offertory Hymn (*please stand*)

1 For your gift of God the Spirit,
with us, in us, always true,
pledge of life and hope of glory,
Saviour, we would worship you.

2 She who in creation's dawning
brooded o'er the pathless deep,
still across our nature's darkness
moves to wake our souls from sleep.

3 She it is, the living author,
wakes to life the sacred word,
reads with us the Bible story
and reveals our risen Lord.

4 She it is who works within us,
teaching rebel hearts to pray;
she whose fervent intercession
rise for us both night and day.

5 Fill us with your grace and goodness,
God the Father, Spirit, Son;
in us, through us, now and always,
may your perfect will be done.

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Offertory Prayer (*please stand*)

Let us present our offerings to the Lord. Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours. All things come from you, and of your own we give you.

The Eucharistic Prayer

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 God thanks and praise.

Worship and praise belong to you, Author of all being. Your power sustains, your love restores, our broken world. You are unceasingly at work, from chaos bringing order and filling emptiness with life. Christ, raised from the dead, proclaims the dawn of hope. He lives in us that we may walk in light. Your Spirit is fire in us, your breath is power to purge our sin and warm our hearts to love. As children of your redeeming purpose, freed by him who burst from the tomb and opened the gate of life, we offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, singing the hymn of your unending glory:

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. (*please sit*)

Praise and thanksgiving be to you, Lord of all, for by the Cross eternal life is ours and death is swallowed up in victory. In the first light of Easter, glory broke from the tomb and changed the women's sorrow into joy. From the Garden the mystery dawned that he whom they had loved and lost is with us now in every place for ever. Making himself known in the breaking of the bread, speaking peace to his fearful disciples, welcoming weary fisherman on the shore, he renewed his promise of his presence and of a new birth in the Spirit, who sets the seal of freedom on your sons and daughters. Before he was given up to suffering and death, recalling the night of Israel's release, the night in which slaves walked free, at supper with his disciples he took bread and offered you thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: "Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you." After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me."

We now obey your Son's command. We recall his blessed passion and death,
his glorious resurrection and ascension; and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.
Made one with him, we offer you these gifts
and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice.

Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, overshadowed by his life-giving power, they may be the Body and Blood of your Son, and we may be kindled with the fire of your love and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

Help us, who are baptised into the fellowship of Christ's Body
to live and work to your praise and glory; may we grow together in unity and love
until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage
in the company of the Virgin Mary, the apostles, and prophets,
and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be to you, Lord of all ages, world without end. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The living bread is broken for the life of the world. **Lord, unite us in this sign.**

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Do not bring us to the time of trial but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

Agnus Dei *see separate music sheet*

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.
Jesus, Redeemer of the world: give us your peace.

Communion *is administered at the bottom of the chancel steps. Please use the hand sanitiser provided before and after receiving communion.*

1 She sits like a bird,
brooding on the waters,
hovering on the chaos
of the world's first day;
she sighs and she sings,
mothering creation,
waiting to give birth
to all the Word will say.

2 She wings over earth,
resting where she wishes,
lighting close at hand
or soaring through the skies;
she nests in the womb,
welcoming each wonder,
nourishing potential hidden to our eyes.

3 She dances in fire,
startling her spectators,
walking tongues of ecstasy
where dumbness reigned;
she weans and inspires
all whose hearts are open,
nor can she be captured,
silenced, or restrained.

4 For she is the Spirit,
one with God in essence,
gifted by the Saviour in eternal love;
and she is the key
opening the Scriptures,
enemy of apathy and heavenly dove.

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THANKSGIVING AND SENDING OUT

Post Communion Prayer

Loving God, your steadfast purpose is the completion of all things in your Son. May we who have received the pledges of the kingdom, live by faith, walk in hope and be renewed in love, until the world reflects your glory and you are all in all; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Final Hymn (*please stand*)

1 O thou who camest from above
the fire celestial to impart,
kindle a flame of sacred love
on the mean altar of my heart!

2 There let it for thy glory burn
with inextinguishable blaze,
and trembling to its source return
in humble prayer and fervent praise.

3 Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
to work, and speak, and think for thee;
still let me guard the holy fire,
and still stir up the gift in me.

4 Ready for all thy perfect will,
my acts of faith and love repeat;
till death thy endless mercies seal,
and make the sacrifice complete.

Charles Wesley

The Blessing & Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, alleluia, alleluia. In the name of Christ, alleluia, alleluia.

Organ Postlude Dietrich Buxtehude: Komm, heiliger Geist, Herr Gott BuxWV 199

Prayer for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Almighty and eternal God,
you uphold and govern all things
both in heaven and on earth,
and by your grace alone kings and queens do reign.

We thank you for all the blessings which you have bestowed upon us
throughout the reign of our sovereign lady, Queen Elizabeth,
whom you have set over us these threescore years and ten.

We thank you for the wisdom of her guidance and her love of peace,
for the care and devotion with which she has served her people,
for the example of her gracious life.

As we rejoice before you with thankful hearts,
we pray that we may ever be united in love and service to one another,
as people called to live according to your will,
for the good of all the world,
and the glory of your great name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

NEXT WEEK

Monday 6th June
10 – 11.30 a.m. **HT Tots Café**

Tuesday 7th June
10 – 11.30 a.m. **Wellsprings**

For more information, see leaflet in church or contact the Revd Joan Lyon on 07807 783168 or email joanblyon@gmail.com.

Sunday 12th June
TRINITY SUNDAY
10.30 a.m. **Sung Eucharist**

Readings
Proverbs 8.1-4, 22-31; Romans 5.1-5;
John 16.12-15