



The Day of Pentecost

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Pentecost, Explained

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The Day of Pentecost is one of the seven principal feasts of the Episcopal Church. It marks the fiftieth day after Easter and brings the Easter season to a close. On Pentecost, we celebrate the day that Jesus poured out the Holy Spirit on the disciples gathered in Jerusalem. Before his death and resurrection, Jesus had promised the disciples that he would send the Holy Spirit to them. The Holy Spirit would be a comforter, advocate, and witness for them in the work they were called to do. In fact, when Jesus spoke with his disciples after the resurrection, he told them, “You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

On Pentecost, the apostles, and other disciples gathered with them, received the Holy Spirit and tongues of fire rested on each of them as they proclaimed the wonders of God in various languages. It has been noted that Pentecost is the reversal of the Tower of Babel. There, the people built a tower to ascend to heaven and make a name for themselves, but God confuses their language. Here, God descends on the people and overcomes that confusion to proclaim the name of Jesus.

At Christ Church, we celebrate these realities in several ways. First, the liturgical color is changed to red to symbolize the fiery tongues of the Holy Spirit. Second, we hold a bilingual service with our Spanish-speaking congregation to show that we are one people united in Christ. Third, because the Holy Spirit is promised in baptism, we often celebrate this rite on Pentecost.

*Welcome to Christ Church Ponte Vedra Beach! We are delighted to have you worship with us.
In order to prepare for this service, we ask that you silence your phone. Thank you!*

Prelude

Welcome

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Prayer

All **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.**

He Reigns

Verse 1

It's the song of the redeemed
Rising from the African plain
It's the song of the forgiven
Drowning out the Amazon rain
The song of Asian believers
Filled with God's holy fire
It's every tribe, every tongue, every nation
A love song born of a grateful choir

Chorus

It's all God's children singing
Glory glory hallelujah
He reigns, He reigns
It's all God's children singing
Glory glory hallelujah
He reigns, He reigns

Newsboys

Verse 2

Let it rise above the four winds
Caught up in the heavenly sound
Let praises echo from the towers of cathedrals
To the faithful gathered underground
Of all the songs sung
From the dawn of creation
Some were meant to persist
Of all the bells rung from a thousand steeples
None rings truer than this

Bridge

And all the powers of darkness
Tremble at what they've just heard
'Cause all the powers of darkness
Can't drown out a single word

Children may follow the leader to Children's Church.

Please be seated. (Lector: Please wait for children to exit before starting The Reading)

The Reading

Lector A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

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 The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

Gospel Song

Spirit of God

Lester Garcia

Spirit of God, come fill my life
Come fill my soul, my all in all (x2)

Fill my heart
With Your great presence
With Your great power
With Your great love (x2)

The Gospel

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 20:19-23

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Please be seated.

Sermon *The Reverend Andreis Diaz*

Please stand as you are able.

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Celebrant Let us now renew our solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism:

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People **I do**

Do you believe in God the Father?
People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?
I will, with God's help.

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent, and return to the Lord?
I will, with God's help.

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
I will, with God's help.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
I will, with God's help.

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
I will, with God's help.

The Celebrant concludes the Renewal of Vows as follows

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

The Prayers of the People, Form IV

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Leader Lord, in your mercy
The People respond **Hear our prayer.**

The Collect

Celebrant 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. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Please be seated.

Welcome and Announcements

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

You Are Good

Verse 1

Lord, You are good
And Your mercy endureth forever
Lord, You are good
And Your mercy endureth forever
People from every nation and tongue
From generation to generation

Chorus 1

We worship You
Hallelujah, hallelujah
We worship You for who You are
We worship You
Hallelujah, hallelujah
We worship You for who You are
For You are good

Please stand as you are able.

Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
O Praise Him, O Praise Him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Israel Houghton

Bridge

Yes You are, yes You are, yes You are
So good, so good
Yes You are, yes You are, yes You are

Bridge

You are good all the time
All the time You are good
You are good all the time
All the time You are good

Ending

For who You are
For who You are
For who You are

Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

Sanctus

Celebrant and People

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

You may sit. The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

Celebrant Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant And now, as our Savior 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, and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

Please be seated.

Distribution of Communion

Please come forward for Communion.

All people, including children, are invited to receive Communion. Gluten-free wafers are also available.

If you would prefer not to take Communion but would like a blessing, please fold your arms across your chest.

Communion Music

Holy Spirit

Brian & Katie Torwalt

Verse 1

There's nothing worth more
That will ever come close
No thing can compare
You're our living hope
Your Presence

Verse 2

I've tasted and seen
Of the sweetest of loves
Where my heart becomes free
And my shame is undone
Your Presence, Lord

Chorus

Holy Spirit, You are welcome here
Come flood this place
And fill the atmosphere
Your glory, God
Is what our hearts long for
To be overcome by Your Presence, Lord

Bridge

Let us become
More aware of Your Presence
Let us experience
The glory of Your goodness (2x)
Lord...

By Our Love

Debrann Johnston

Verse 1

We are one in Spirit,
We are one in the Lord
We are one in Spirit,
We are one in the Lord
And we pray that all unity
may one day be restored

Refrain

And they'll know we are Christians
By our love, by our love
Yes, they'll know we are Christians
By our love

Bridge

By our love, by our love
They'll know we are Christians
by our love. (2x)

Verse 2

All praise to the Father,
from whom all things come
And all praise to Christ Jesus,
His only Son And all praise to the Spirit,
who makes us one. (*Refrain*)

Sending the Eucharistic Visitors

When present, Eucharistic Visitors are commissioned to carry the Consecrated Gifts of Holy Communion to those who are unable, due to illness or impairment, to join us for Sunday services.

Celebrant In the name of Christ Church, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

Postcommunion Prayer

All **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

Celebrant May God, who sent the Holy Spirit as a flame of fire that rested upon the heads of the disciples, burn out all evil from your hearts, and make them shine with the pure light of his presence. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

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

Postlude

TODAY, Sunday May 24

Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Randy & Ken Comyns by their family.

Pentecost Cake Contest

May 24, 10:15 a.m., Westbury Dining Hall

We are celebrating Pentecost with a delicious Cake Contest! Entrants will drop their cakes off by 10:25 am to the dining hall; come on by to sample some sweetness!

Pentecost Potluck – a potluck lunch will follow the 11:15 am bilingual service. Join us in the dining hall!

A delicious **Breakfast** will be served from 8:15am - 10:45am. \$10/adult, \$7/children under 8; \$34 family max.

Nursery Care - Available from 8:45am to 12:30pm; ages four months to 5.

Children's Chapel

9:15 am | Hospitality Lobby

Youth Forum | 10:15-11:00am

There will be no children's formation today. Brothers in Christ and Sisters in Christ will meet May 31-June 21.

There will be no adult formation today. The Clergy Forum will start on May 31.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Volunteers are needed for Vacation Bible School! Contact Amy Schmitt at 703-300-5024 to learn more or sign up here:



Volunteers are needed for **Meals on Wheels**. Please contact Pam Gordon at 904-250-5693 for more information on how to help.

SPECIAL EVENTS THIS WEEK

The church office and campus will be closed on Monday, May 25 in honor of Memorial Day.

Caregivers Connection Support Group

May 26 | 4-5:30pm | Room F209 Let's come together and support each other as we walk our caregiver journeys together. Snacks and listening hearts provided! Email caregivers@ccpvb.org with questions.

Vestry Meeting

May 26 | 5:15 p.m. | Room F204

Monthly meeting of the Christ Church Vestry, open to all.

Beaches Habitat for Humanity Faith Build

May 30 | Sign up is required; contact Doug Knowles at doug.Lan.knowles@gmail.com with any questions.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Clergy Forum Begins May 31

Sundays from 10:15-11:00 | Room 106. A multi-generational gathering for "holy conversation" about the readings of the day and our spiritual lives.

JUST JULY: A Summer Book Study
Wednesdays in July | 10:00-11:00 AM | F106
Father Eric will host a midsummer book study on Wednesdays in July on *With: Reimagining the Way You Relate to God* written by Skye Jethani. With explores the narrative of the Bible to show that we were created to be with God, and that restoring this connection is his mission. Instead of life over, under, from or even for God, what leads us into freedom and restoration is life **with** God. Visit ccpvb.org for more info.

Join a Choir – High School Students & Adults are welcomed at one of our choirs! Contact Dr. Rachel Root at rroot@ccpvb.org for more information.

SUMMER CAMPS AT CHRIST CHURCH

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Nourishing Eats Culinary Camp – 3 Sessions
June 16–18, June 29–July 1, July 13–15
8:30 AM–12:30 PM

Theater Camps Led by Stephanie Murray
Three of a Kind | July 13–17 | 9AM–12PM
Rising 1st-4th graders

Golly Gee Whiz | July 27–31 | 3:00–6:00 PM
Rising 5th-8th graders

General Warning - Phishing & Other Scams

Please note that all of our clergy and some of our lay staff continue to be victims of phishing attempts and other online scams. There is nothing that we can do to stop these attacks apart from warning you about them. Please note on the church website (www.ccpvb.org) the real and valid email addresses of our clergy and staff. Phishing attacks work by taking our valid email addresses and changing them just a little bit. The scammers then impersonate the clergy or staff, using these faked email addresses, sending emails to you (yes, they have your email address as well), asking for money or gift cards. **Please do not fall for this scam.** No one from this church will ever ask you for gift cards. And please pray for the scammers, that they may repent from their thieving ways, and give their life to Jesus!

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Worship Services

7:30 a.m.	Church Sanctuary	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
9:00 a.m.	Church Sanctuary	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
9:00 a.m.	Cooper Chapel	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
9:00 a.m.	Parish Center, 2nd floor	Jordan Service
9:00 a.m.	NSIA Community Center	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
11:15 a.m.	Church Sanctuary	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
11:15 a.m.	Parish Center, 2nd floor	Jordan Service
12:45 p.m.	Cooper Chapel	Spanish-language Service
5:00 p.m.	Church Sanctuary	Contemplative Service
5:30 p.m. (Wed)	Cooper Chapel	Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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The world has changed.

And at times we feel further apart than ever before.

But, two things haven't changed:

God's Unwavering Love, and our need for each other.

With that comes the love that Christ Church has for you—all of you.

Because no matter if you attend virtually or in-person.

If you're Episcopalian or Non-Denominational.

Young or Old. Lean Left or Right.

Through the love of Jesus Christ, we are one.

Christ Church is not just a place, it's a community.

It's not just what you do on Sunday, it's how you live every day.

With opportunities to grow, learn, create, worship, praise, connect, serve, and thrive.

We are a church centered around Christ.

We are a community centered around Christ

We are the community of Christ Church.



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