

Pentecost (Year A) (May 24th 2026)

Collect

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,
ignite in us your holy fire;
strengthen your children with the gift of faith,
revive your Church with the breath of love,
and renew the face of the earth,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Psalm 104.26-36

26 O Lord, how manifold are your works!
In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.
27 There is the sea, spread far and wide,
and there move creatures beyond number, both
small and great.
28 There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan
which you have made to play in the deep.
29 All of these look to you
to give them their food in due season.
30 When you give it them, they gather it;
you open your hand and they are filled with good.
31 When you hide your face they are troubled;
when you take away their breath,
they die and return again to the dust.
32 When you send forth your spirit, they are
created, and you renew the face of the earth.
33 May the glory of the Lord endure for ever;
may the Lord rejoice in his works;
34 He looks on the earth and it trembles;
he touches the mountains and they smoke.
35 I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;
I will make music to my God while I have my being.
36 So shall my song please him
while I rejoice in the Lord.

Acts 2:1-21

2 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were
all together in one place. ²And suddenly from
heaven there came a sound like the rush of a
violent wind, and it filled the entire house where
they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire,
appeared among them, and a tongue rested on
each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the
Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages,
as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation
under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this
sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered,
because each one heard them speaking in the
native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished,
they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking
Galileans?' ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us,
in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes,
Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea
and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and
Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging
to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and
proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own
languages we hear them speaking about God's
deeds of power.' ¹²All were amazed and perplexed,
saying to one another, 'What does this
mean?' ¹³But others sneered and said, 'They are
filled with new wine.'

¹⁴But 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. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not
drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in
the morning. ¹⁶No, 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. ¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men
and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show portents
in the heaven above and signs on the earth
below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰The sun
shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious
day. ²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the
Lord shall be saved."

John 20:19-23

¹⁹When 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,
Jesus came and stood among them and said,
'Peace be with you.' ²⁰After he said this, he
showed them his hands and his side. Then the
disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus
said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the
Father has sent me, so I send you.' ²²When he had
said this, he breathed on them and said to them,
'Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of
any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins
of any, they are retained.'

Post-Communion Prayer

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter
by sending us your Holy Spirit
and opening to every race and nation
the way of life eternal:
open our lips by your Spirit,
that every tongue may tell of your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**