

SAINT MARGARET'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



FEAST OF PENTECOST
May 31, 2020

WELCOME!

We at St. Margaret's are excited by the new life and transformation in this place, and we are delighted that you are here to worship with our parish this summer. We are a congregation committed to celebrating Christ's enduring love and respect for the dignity of all.

We extend a special welcome to those who are single, married, divorced, gay, dirt poor, filthy rich, yo no habla Ingles. We extend a special welcome to those who are crying new-borns, skinny as a rail or could afford to lose a few pounds.

We welcome you if you can sing like Andrea Bocelli or like some clergy who can't carry a note in a bucket. You're welcome here if you're "just browsing," just woke up or just got out of jail. We don't care if you're more Anglican than the Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, or haven't been in church since little Joey's Baptism.

We extend a special welcome to those who are over 60 but not grown up yet, and to teenagers who are growing up too fast. We welcome soccer moms, NASCAR dads, starving artists, tree-huggers, latte-sippers, vegetarians, junk-food eaters. We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted. We welcome you if you're having problems or you're down in the dumps or if you don't like "organized religion," we've been there too.

If you blew all your offering money at the horse track, you're welcome here. We offer a special welcome to those who think the earth is flat, work too hard, don't work, can't spell, or because grandma is in town and wanted to go to church.

We welcome those who are inked, pierced or both. We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, had religion shoved down your throat as a kid or got lost in traffic and wound up here by mistake. We welcome tourists, seekers and doubters, bleeding hearts...and you!

St. Margaret's Episcopal Church is a joyful community, grounded in the love of Christ that welcomes and includes ALL with meaningful worship, service to the community, and commitment to growing as faithful Christians.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, Holy Spirit, Come! Renew the face of the earth.

Come, Holy Spirit, Come! Renew our lives, inside and out.
Renew our faith, renew our relationships, renew our trust in your mercy.

Come, Holy Spirit, Come! Renew our lives, inside and out.
Challenge us, comfort us, stir us up, calm us down.

Come Holy Spirit, Come! Renew our lives, inside and out.
With fire and wind, come to this place; gather us in, send us out;

Come Holy Spirit, Come! Renew our lives, inside and out.
Make our legs stronger, our hands firmer, our hearts wider in love.

Come Holy Spirit, Come! Renew the face of the earth.

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

Come, Holy Spirit

John Bell

Come, Ho - ly Spi - rit: _____ Come, Ho - ly Spi - rit; _____

Come, Ho - ly Spi - rit: _____ Come, Ho - ly Spi - rit; _____

Fall u - pon _____ us: Fall u - pon _____ us;

Come, O come: Come, O Come.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray.

O God, who on this day taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

The First Reading

Acts 2:1-21

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:

¹⁷In 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.' "

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

THE PSALTER

104:25-35,37

²⁵O LORD, how manifold are your works! *
In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.
²⁶Yonder is the great and wide sea
with its living things too many to number, *
creatures both small and great.
²⁷There move the ships,
and there is that Leviathan, *
which you have made for the sport of it.
²⁸All of them look to you *
to give them their food in due season.
²⁹You give it to them; they gather it; *
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
³⁰You hide your face, and they are terrified; *
you take away their breath,
and they die and return to their dust.
³¹You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; *
and so you renew the face of the earth.
³²May the glory of the LORD endure forever; *
may the LORD rejoice in all his works.
³³He looks at the earth and it trembles; *
he touches the mountains and they smoke.
³⁴I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; *
I will praise my God while I have my being.
³⁵May these words of mine please him; *
I will rejoice in the LORD.
³⁷Bless the LORD, O my soul. *
Hallelujah!

^{3b}No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

¹²For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA VERSE



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THE HOLY GOSPEL

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

⁹When 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.”

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

THE VERY REV TOMMY DILLON
RECTOR

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Presider

Do you believe in God the Father?

People

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.*

Presider

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People

*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.*

Presider

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People

*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.*

Presider

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People

I will, with God's help.

Presider

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People

I will, with God's help.

Presider

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People

I will, with God's help.

Presider

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People

I will, with God's help.

Presider

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People

I will, with God's help.

Baptismal Water is sprinkled on everyone as a reminder of their baptism

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Presider

Through the waters of baptism we have been joined together in the fellowship of Christ, and in the power of the Spirit we are sent forth to proclaim words and deeds of love, beginning with the offering of our prayers; responding, "Come, Holy Spirit."

Intercessor

Wisdom from on high, be with the leaders of the nations, giving them discernment and patience as they guide the people they serve; for this we pray.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Mighty Wind and Holy Fire, unsettle the hearts and minds of this church and diocesan community, that we may be challenged anew to hear your word and boldly live its message; for this we pray.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Blessed Advocate, may our ministries reflect your love for the poor in spirit, the needy, the sinner, those who are victims of injustice, oppression, violence and abuse, and for all whom the Son of God gave his life; for this we pray.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Spirit of many tongues, may the peoples of the world find a common language of the heart where cultural and racial diversity find holy ground, and nations suffering under bonds of oppression discover the way to peace; for this we pray.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Spirit of healing, we pray for all who are affected by coronavirus, through illness or isolation or anxiety, that they may find relief and recovery; For doctors, nurses and medical researchers, that through their skill and insights many will be restored to health; we pray.

Come, Holy Spirit

Breath of Life, open our eyes to the crying needs of our environment, that we, and all the nations of the world, may prudently and tenderly nurture our fragile home; for this we pray.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Holy Comforter, pour your grace into the souls of all who have died, especially remembering over 100,000 people who have died in the past few months from the Corona Virus, that they may know your abiding presence; for this we pray.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Spirit of thankfulness, we offer our gratitude to church school teachers and members of the choir whose devotion and creativity enrich the life of our community; for this we pray.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Filled with the power of the Holy Spirit urging us to be people of passionate witness, let us continue our prayers.

Special intentions of the congregation may be added here

Presider

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O

lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Announcements are made and blessings for anniversaries and birthdays are given.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

The Presider says

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.

Psalm 50:14



Contributions – online as well as via snail mail!

In this time pandemic, there is a significant economic impact on all of us in a variety of ways. To enable us to continue doing what we do as a congregation, supporting one another and our neighbors, we particularly appreciate your continued financial support, as you are able. We are checking our mail and making deposits. We also now have a donate button on our website: <https://www.saintmargarets/support-st-margarets>.

To give a gift now to the ministries of St Margaret's, you can scan the QR code at the left with your mobile phone. You may also leave your offering in the collection plate on a stand as you leave the service maintaining physical distancing.

Thank you so much for your support

OFFERTORY MUSIC

I WANT TO KNOW YOU MORE WRITTEN BY STEVE FRY
SUNG BY NATHANIEL HEARN

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Presider

**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.

PENTECOST BLESSING

May Almighty God, who enlightened the minds of the disciples by pouring out upon them the Holy Spirit, make you rich with his blessing, that you may abound more and more in that Spirit for ever. *Amen.*

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. *Amen.*

May God, who by the Holy Spirit caused those of many tongues to proclaim Jesus as Lord, strengthen your faith and send you out to bear witness to him in word and deed. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*



SENDING FORTH HYMN

Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God

Keith Getty & Stuart Townend

Ho - ly Spi-rit, liv - ing breath of God, breathe new life in - to my will - ing
 Ho - ly Spi-rit, come a - bide with - in; may your joy be seen in all I
 Ho - ly Spi-rit, from cre - a - tion's birth, giv - ing life to all that God has
 soul. Let the pre - sence of the ri - sen Lord come re -
 do: Love e - nough to co - ver ev - ery sin in each
 made, Show your po - wer once a - gain on Earth; Cause your
 new my heart and make me whole. Cause your Word to come a -
 thought and deed and at - ti - tude; Kind - ness to the great - est
 church to hun - ger for your ways. Let the fra - grance of our
 live in me; Give me faith for what I can - not see. Give me pas - sion for your
 and the least; Gen - tle - ness that sows the path of peace. Turn my strivings in - to
 pray'rs a - rise; Lead us on the road of sa - cri - fice, that in u - ni - ty the
 pu - ri - ty; Ho - ly Spi - rit, breathe new life in me.
 works of grace; Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.
 face of Christ may be clear for all the world to see!

THE DISMISSAL

Presider: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.
 People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

