ST. JAMES PARISH CHURCH

Holetown, St. James, Barbados

TO BE A BEACON RADIATING GOD'S LOVE AMONG ALL PEOPLE

THE DAY OF PENTECOST WHITSUNDAY



7:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Sermon 9:15 a.m. Procession, Sung Holy Eucharist and Sermon Sunday, June 8, 2025

RECTOR: THE REV. CANON BEVERLEY SEALY-KNIGHT ASST. PRIEST: REV. GRAVENEY BANNISTER

THE ORDER OF SERVICE	Р
THE GATHERING	
THE PROCESSION	3
THE OPENING SENTENCE	5
OPENING ACCLAMATION	6
COLLECT FOR PURITY	6
THE KYRIES	6
GLORIA IN EXCELSIS	6
COLLECT	7
LITURGY OF THE WORD	
1st Reading Acts 2:1 - 21	
7:15 A.M. TRACY BROOMES	8
9:15 A.M. FIONA HINDS	10
PSALM 104:25 - 35, 37C 2ND READING ROMANS 8: 14-17	10
7:15 A.M. MAURICE WEBSTER	12
9:15 A.M. MICHAEL BYNOE	
THE GOSPEL	13
Јони 14: 8-17 <i>(25-27)</i>	10
THE SERMON	
THE APOSTLES' CREED	15
INTERCESSION 7:15 A.M. RICHARD GILL	15
9:15 A.M. SANDRA LEACOCK	13
ACT OF PENITENCE	18
THE ABSOLUTION	18
GREETING OF PEACE	19
LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT	
PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERINGS	21
SURSUM CORDA	21
PROPER PREFACE	22
SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS	22
EUCHARISTIC PRAYER	22
THE LORD'S PRAYER	24
BREAKING OF THE BREAD	25
THE COMMUNION	
THE INVITATION	26
Agnus Dei	25
THE ADMINISTRATION	
Post Communion Prayer	27
NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS	
THE DISMISSAL	29

ORGAN PRELUDE

ORGANIST: DR. PHILIP FORDE, ARCM, FRCO

HYMNS FOR THE PROCESSION:

HYMN 202

- 2. Like to clove tongues of flame on the twelve the Spirit came--tongues, that earth may hear their call, fire, that love may burn in all. Alleluia!
- Lord, to you your people bend;
 unto us your Spirit send;
 blessings of this sacred day
 grant us, dearest Lord, we pray.

 Alleluia!
- You who did our forebears guide, with their children still abide; grant us pardon, grant us peace, till our earthly wanderings cease.

 Alleluia!

HYMN 206

 When God of old came down from heaven, in power and wrath he came; before his feet the clouds were riven, half darkness and half flame:

- but, when he came the second time, he came in power and love; softer than gale at morning prime hovered his Holy Dove.
- 3. The fires, that rushed on Sinai down in sudden torrents dread, now gently light, a glorious crown, on every sainted head.
- And as on Israel's awestruck ear the voice exceeding loud, the trump, that angels quake to hear, thrilled from the deep, dark cloud;
- so, when the Spirit of our God came down his flock to find, a voice from heaven was heard abroad, a rushing, mighty wind.
- It fills the church of God; it fills the sinful world around; only in stubborn hearts and wills no place for it is found.
- Come Lord, come wisdom, love, and power, open our ears to hear; let us not miss the accepted hour; save, Lord, by love or fear.

OPENING SENTENCES - PENTECOST

When the Spirit comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, He will bear witness to Me; and you also are witnesses, because you have been with Me from the beginning.

John 15: 26, 27

INTROIT HYMN: 281

- Lord God the Holy Ghost, in this accepted hour, as on the day of Pentecost, descend in all thy power.
- We meet with one accord in our appointed place, and wait the promise of our Lord, the Spirit of all grace.
- 3. Like mighty rushing wind upon the waves beneath, move with one impulse every mind, one soul, one feeling, breathe.
- 4. The young, the old inspire with wisdom from above; and give us hearts and tongues of fire, to pray and praise and love.
- Spirit of light, explore, and chase our gloom away, with luster shining more and more unto the perfect day.

Spirit of truth, be thou
in life and death our Guide;
 O Spirit of adoption, now
may we be sanctified.

PRESIDENT

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Alleluia!

All:

And blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever. Amen. Alleluia! Alleluia

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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**.

THE KYRIES

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS:

Glory 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.

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.

For you alone are the Holy One;

you alone are the Lord:

you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT:

THE DAY OF PENTECOST; WHITSUNDAY

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*.

<u>OR THIS</u>

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 MINISTRY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON — ACTS 2: 1 - 21

This lesson tells the story of the Holy Spirit filling the apostles and empowering them to share the message of the gospel with people of different languages.

A Reading from the Word of God, written in the Book of Acts, Chapter 2, beginning at the first verse.

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.' "

The Word of the Lord

The people: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 104:25-35, 37

This psalm describes the wonders of the world created and renewed by the Lord's Spirit.

- 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!
 - Glory to the Father, and to the Son:* and to the Holy Spirit;
 - as it was in the beginning is now:*
 and shall be forever **Amen**

THE SECOND LESSON: ROMANS 8:14-17

Paul has told us that Christian living is centred in life in the Spirit rather than on the desires of the flesh, or self -centeredness. People are still subject to suffering, to bearing crosses and affliction, but not to condemnation. Not being condemned, we have hope.

A Reading from the Word of God, written in the Epistle to the Romans, Chapter 8, beginning at the fourteenth verse.

All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

The Word of the Lord

The people: Thanks be to God.

HYMN FOR THE GRADUAL: 273

 Come, Holy Ghost, our hearts inspire, let us thine influence prove; source of the old prophetic fire, fountain of life and love.

- Come, Holy Ghost for, moved by thee, thy prophets wrote and spoke unlock the truth, thyself the key, unseal the sacred book.
- Expand thy wings, celestial Dove, brood o'er our nature's night; on our disordered spirits move, and let there now be light.
- God, through himself, we then shall know, if thou within us shine; and sound, with all thy saints below, the depths of love divine.

THE GOSPEL - JOHN 14:8-17 (25-27)

The Last Supper is over. Judas Iscariot has left to do his dastardly deed. Jesus now prepares his disciples for his departure. Jesus has told them that the only way to God is through him. By knowing him, followers also know the Father. But Philip does not understand.

A Reading from the Word of God, written in the Gospel of John, Chapter 14, beginning at the eighth verse.

Gospeler: The Lord be with you All: And also with you

Gospeler: A Reading from the Holy Gospel according

to John.

All: Glory to Christ Our Saviour.

Philip said to Jesus, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." 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'? 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. 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. 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. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. 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."

["I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."]

This is the Gospel of Christ

The people: Praise to Christ our Lord.

(NRSV)

THE SERMON

THE APOSTLES' CREED:

I believe in God the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth

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.

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 ever1asting. **Amen**.

THE INTERCESSION:

7:15 A.M.: RICHARD GILL: FORM A

9:15 A.M. SANDRA LEACOCK FORM H

LEADER:

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

LEADER: Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honour one another and serve the common good.

LEADER: Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honour and glory.

LEADER: Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as He loves us.

LEADER: Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

LEADER: Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

LEADER:

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

LEADER: Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

The President adds a concluding Collect.

THE ACT OF PENITENCE

PRESIDENT:

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(1 John 1: 8 - 9)

PRESIDENT:

Let us therefore confess our sins.

All: Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and one another, in thought, word and deed, and in what we have left undone. We are sorry and repent of all our sins. For your Son, our Lord

Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your Name. *Amen*.

THE ABSOLUTION

PRESIDENT:

Almighty God, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

PRESIDENT:

We are the Body of Christ. By the one Spirit we were all baptized into one Body, and have all been made to drink of the one Spirit.

ALL:

Let us then pursue the things that make for peace and build up the common life.

PRESIDENT

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

SONG OF PEACE: HYMN 296

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord. There are sweet expressions on each face, and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

Refrain

Sweet Holy Spirit, Sweet Heavenly Dove, Stay right here with us, filling us with your love, And for these blessings, we lift our hearts in praise, without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.

There are blessings you cannot receive till you know him in his fullness, and believe. You're the one to profit when you say, 'I am going to walk with Jesus all the way,'

Refrain

OFFERTORY HYMN: 201

- Come, thou Holy Spirit, come; and from thy celestial home shed a ray of light divine; come, thou Father of the poor, come, thou source of all our store, come, within our bosoms shine:
- 2. Thou of comforters the best, thou the soul's most welcome guest, sweet refreshment here below; in our labour rest most sweet, grateful coolness in the heat, solace in the midst of woe.

- O most blessèd Light divine, shine within these hearts of thine, and our inmost being fill; where thou art not, man hath naught, nothing good in deed or thought, nothing free from taint of ill.
- 4. Heal our wounds; our strength renew; on our dryness pour thy dew; wash the stains of guilt away: bend the stubborn heart and will; melt the frozen, warm the chill; guide the steps that go astray.
- 5. On the faithful, who adore and confess thee, evermore In thy sevenfold gifts descend: give them virtue's sure reward, give them thy salvation, Lord, give them joys that never end.

THE PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERINGS PRESIDENT AND PEOPLE:

Father, we offer you these gifts which you have given us: this bread, this wine, this money. With them we offer ourselves, our lives, and our work, to become through your Holy Spirit a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice. As this bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ, so may we and all your people become channels of your love; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

PRESIDENT: The Lord be with you

All: And also with you

PRESIDENT: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

PRESIDENT: Let us give thanks to the Lord our

God.

All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

PRESIDENT:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father almighty, everlasting God:

Pentecost

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfilment 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 intomany 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

ALL:

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!

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER - FORM B:

PRESIDENT:

oly and gracious Father,
all creation rightly gives you praise.
All life, all holiness, comes from you
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
whom you sent to share our human nature,
to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you,
the God and Father of all.

We therefore bring you these gifts, and we .ask you to make them holy by the power of your Spirit, that they may-become the Body and Blood of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who offered Himself in obedience to your will, the Perfect Sacrifice for all mankind.

On the night He was betrayed, He took bread, and when He had given thanks to you, He broke it and gave it to His disciples and said: "Take this and eat it:

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.

Do this, whenever you drink it, For the remembrance of me."

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

PRESIDENT:

Father, calling to mind the death your Son endured for our salvation;
His glorious Resurrection and Ascension;
His continual intercession for us in heaven;
and looking for His coming again in glory,
we offer you, in thanksgiving,
this holy and life-giving sacrifice.
Look with favour on your Church's offering,
and grant that we who eat and drink these holy gifts
may be filled with your Holy Spirit
and become one body in Christ,
and serve you in unity, constancy and peace.

May He make us a perpetual offering to you and enable us,

in communion with blessed Mary and the whole company of heaven, to share in the inheritance of your Saints.

With Him and in Him and through Him, by the power of the Holy Spirit,

we worship you, Father Almighty, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, in songs of everlasting praise:

All: Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESIDENT: As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

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.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD PRESIDENT:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

ALL:

Though we are many we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

THE AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us peace.

THE INVITATION

FORM B

PRESIDENT:

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All: Our souls will feast and be satisfied, and we will sing glad songs of praise to Him.

COMMUNION HYMN: 266

- Breathe on me, breath of God, fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.
- 2. Breathe on me, breath of God, until my heart is pure, until with thee I will one will to do and to endure.
- 3. Breathe on me, breath of God, till I am wholly thine,

- until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.
- Breathe on me, breath of God, so shall I never die, but live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.

HYMN FOR THE BLESSING: 660

- Members of Christ are we; he is our living head, That henceforth we should ever be by his good Spirit led. in the same narrow path our Lord and Saviour trod the path that leadeth by the Cross to glory and to God.
- Children of God are we; such grace to us is given, to kneel and pray in Christ's own words, "Father, Which art in Heaven; seeking to do His will as Angels do above, and walking in obedient ways of holy truth and love.
- Of heaven's kingdom we
 Inheritors were made;
 each at the font in Christ's own robe
 of spotless white arrayed.
 Upon our forehead now
 is traced the suffering sign,

that one day on each saintly brow a glorious crown may shine.

4. Christ's little ones are we; and unto us are given angelic guards, who ever see our Father's face in Heaven.

To walk in folly now we may not, must not, dare, mindful whose seal is on our brow, whose holy name we bear.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God and Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you and all persons in you, with gladness and singleness of heart, through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE BLESSING: PENTECOST

The Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and to proclaim the word and 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.

All: Amen

RECESSIONAL HYMN: 270

- Come down, O Love divine, seek thou this soul of mine, and visit it with thine own ardour glowing; O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear, and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.
- O let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn to dust and ashes in its heat consuming; and let thy glorious light shine ever on my sight, and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.
- Let holy charity
 mine outward vesture be,
 and lowliness become mine inner clothing:
 true lowliness of heart,
 which takes the humbler part,
 and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with
 loathing.
- 4. And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long, shall far outpass the power of human telling; for none can guess its grace, till he become the place wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

THE DISMISSAL

PRESIDENT: Go in peace and serve the Lord

ALL: In the name of Christ. Amen

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Please feel free to depart during the postlude, mindful of those who remain to listen.

NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The St. James' Church Family would like to extend a blessed welcome to all today. A very special welcome to our visitors. May this service be an inspiration to all.
- Best wishes are extended to all celebrating a birthday or an anniversary this week. We wish you many more.

OUR BIRTHDAY LIST

Our records indicate that the following members are celebrating their birthdays this week. Special greetings are extended to them.

Agard, Susan (Miss)



Clarke, Edwardine (Mrs.) June 14

June 10



Gill, Richard (Mr.) June 8

ST. JAMES PARISH CHURCH



P.O.Box 3009, Holetown, St. James, Barbados Tel: (246) 422-4117

Our Website: https://stjames-barbados.church

Email: jamesthegreat@caribsurf.com

Produced by St. James Parish Church