# The Day of Pentecost

May 28, 2023 11:00 a.m.

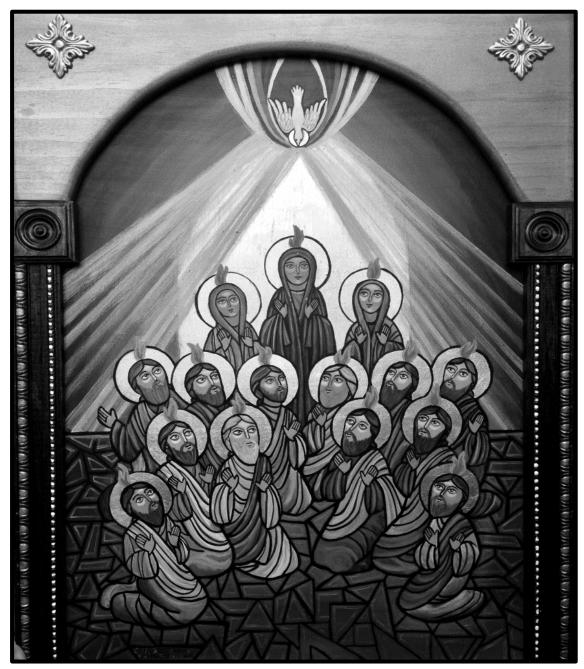


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# The Episcopal Church of the Ascension

205 W. Cherokee Avenue Cartersville, Georgia 30120 770-382-2626 www.ascensioncartersville.org Welcome to The Episcopal Church of the Ascension. Here "we challenge ourselves and the world to love like Jesus as we worship joyfully, serve compassionately and grow spiritually."

Please remember to silence your cell phone.

The people may make the sign of the cross (optional) when this sign  $\dagger$  appears throughout the order of the service.

# The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two The Word of God

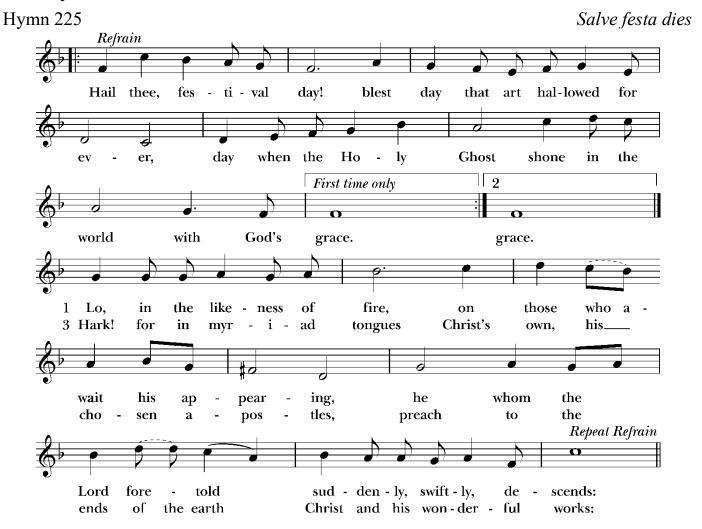
## The Organ Voluntary

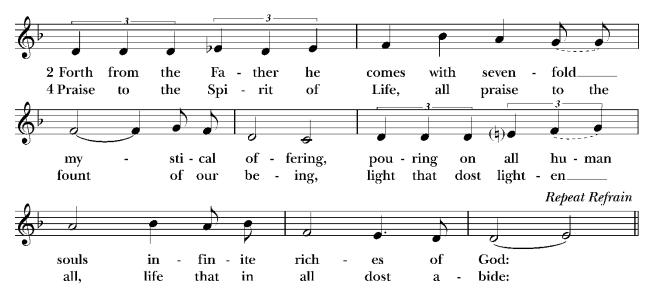
Chorale Prelude on Melcombe

C. H. H. Parry (1848-1918)

Please stand, as you are able, at the ringing of the bell.

## The Hymn in Procession





The refrain may be sung once by choir alone and repeated by all. The stanzas may be sung by choir alone, alternately by contrasted groups, or by all.

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## **The Opening Acclamation**

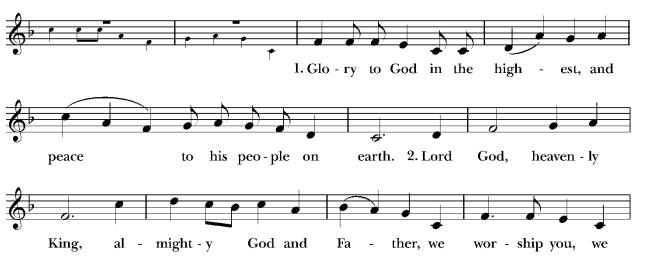
Celebrant †Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

#### Celebrant

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.** 

## Celebrant and People S280





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## The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

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 people sit.* 

The First Lesson Acts 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.

## The Response

#### Psalm 104:25-35, 37

Chanted by the congregation and choir

Benedic, anima mea



- 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 Lev | iathan, \* 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 re | turn to their | dust.
- 31 You send forth your Spirit, and | they are cre | ated; \* and so you re | new the | face of the | earth.
- 32 May the glory of the Lord en | dure for | ever; \* may the Lord re | joice 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 re | joïce | in the | Lord.
- 37 Bless the Lord, | O my | soul. \* -- | Halle | lu | jah!

#### The Second Lesson

#### 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

No one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to 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. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

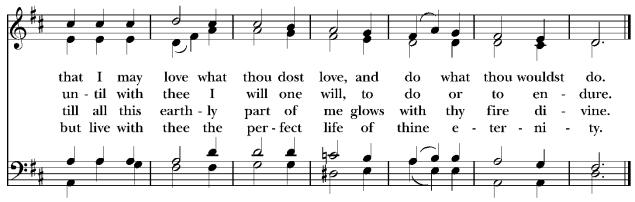
For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body-- Jews or Greeks, slaves or free-- and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Lector The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

## The Sequence

Hymn 508 Nova Vita





Words: Edwin Hatch (1835-1889), alt. Music: Nova Vita, Lister R. Peace (1885-1969).

The Gospel John 20:19-23

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### The Sermon

The Rev. Richard H. Winters

#### The Nicene Creed

Celebrant and People

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 Being 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 from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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 and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped 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.

## The Prayers of the People

Form III, BCP

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; **That your Name may be glorified by all people.** 

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

#### The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

#### **Parish Notices**

## The Offertory Anthem

My eyes for beauty pine

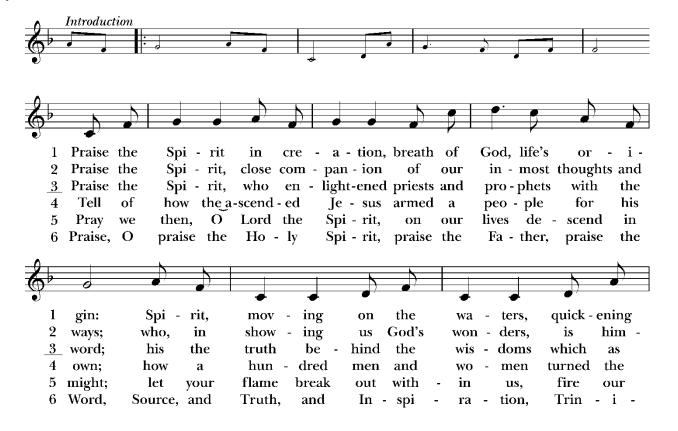
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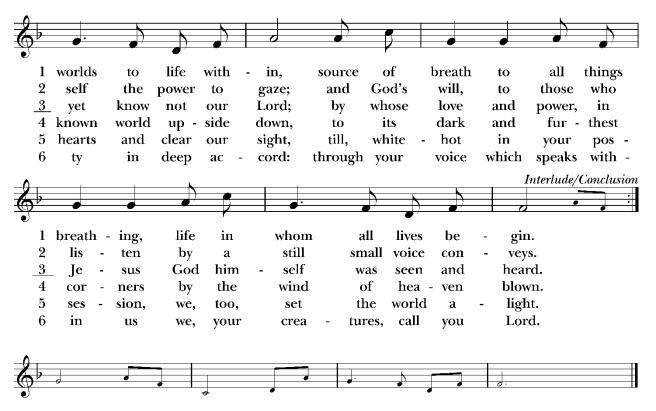
My eyes for beauty pine, My soul for Goddës grace, No other care nor hope is mine, To heaven I turn my face. One splendour thence is shed From all the stars above: 'Tis named when God's name is said, 'Tis Love, 'tis heavenly Love.

And every gentle heart That burns with true desire, Is lit from eyes that mirror part Of that celestial fire.

#### The Presentation

Hymn 507 Julion





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# The Holy Communion

## The Great Thanksgiving

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 him thanks and praise.

## The Celebrant proceeds

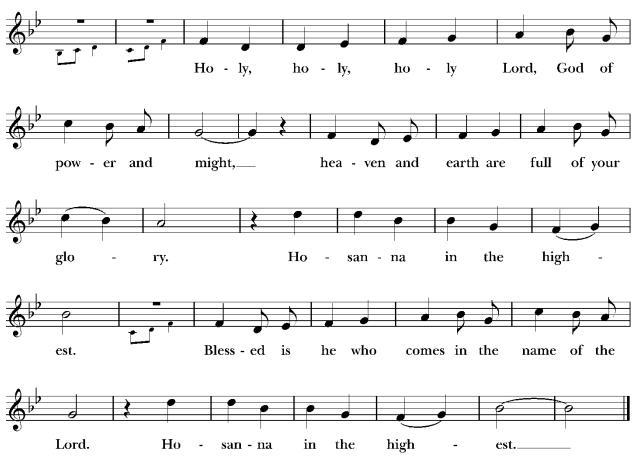
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment 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 into all truth; uniting peoples of many 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 for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

#### Celebrant and People

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#### The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: 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. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

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

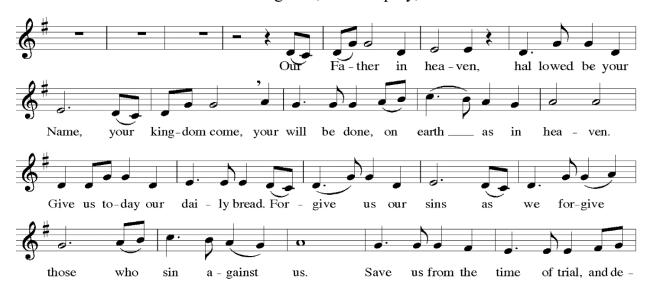
The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. †Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN**.

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





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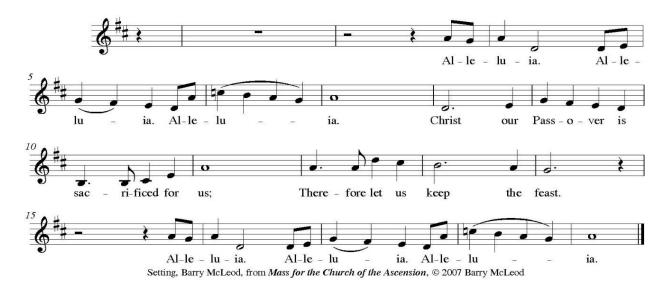
## The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

#### **Fraction Anthem**



Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## **Hymns during Communion**

Draw us in the Spirit's tether (sung by the choir)

J. H. Ossewaarde (1918-2004)

Draw us in the Spirit's tether; For when humbly, in thy name, Two or three are met together, Thou art in the midst of them: Alleluya! Alleluya! Touch we now thy garment's hem.

Hymn 513 Bridegroom

Since you are worshiping with us virtually, please pray the Prayer for Spiritual Communion.

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, and remembering particularly my own parish and those worshiping at home, I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. And particularly for the blessings given me... I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart.

†I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The people stand.

Celebrant and People

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.

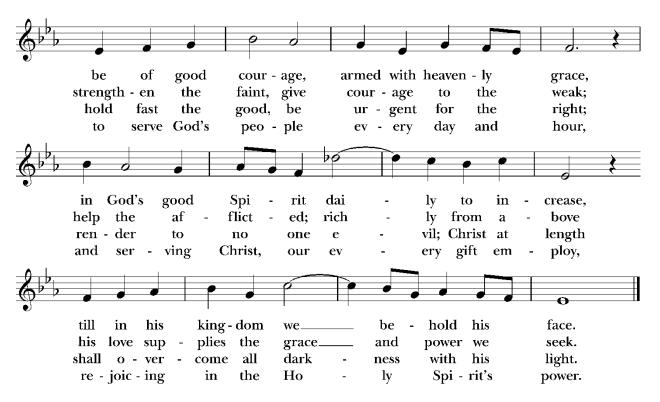
## The Blessing for the Day of Pentecost

May the Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, giving you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and to proclaim the wonderful 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. **Amen.** 

## The Hymn in Procession







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#### The Dismissal

# The Closing Voluntary

Introductin and Passacaglia in D minor

Max Reger (1873-1916)

The order of service from the Book of Common Prayer, 1979 according to the use of the Episcopal Church.

The Flowers at the Altar are given to the Glory of God by Sandi Behrens in Honor of Bill Behrens's Birthday

#### Please take this home with you and use it to guide your prayers.

#### Please pray for the world.

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Please pray for all veterans and their families and for those who are currently serving our country in the Armed Forces, especially Stovall Knight, Chandler Celluzi, Taylor Tekesky, Kyle Hubert, Steven Velencia, Louis Evans and Sean Baker.

#### Please pray for the Episcopal Church of the Ascension.

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the priest you have appointed as our new rector. Thank you for blessing our church family with his leadership and wisdom. May we all strive to be welcoming, cooperative, and productive under his new leadership. Thank you for leading, directing, and protecting his family as they make this transition. Lord, you are our Good Shepherd, our High Priest. Amen.

Pray for blessings on those who have birthdays or anniversaries last week (sorry) and this week. Jackie Voyles, Maura Finnegan, Gale Palmer, Amber Martin, The Rev. Linda Pineo, Ben Popham, Garner Twyford, Robinson Miller, Bill Behrens, Hope Cunningham, Jeff & Tiffany Tindall, Joe & Kathi White, and Gabe & Lindy Agan

#### Pray for guidance.

Direct us, O Lord, in all our doings with your most gracious favor, and further us with your continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy Name, and finally, by your mercy, obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Please pray for those among us in need of healing, comfort, support, and compassion.

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers by name, especially Yvonne Robinson Brooks, Valerie Williams and family, Denise Holguin, Dale & Gloria Wansen, Tom Vanden Bush, Bill & Sandi Behrens, Cynthia Clark, Gail McDaniel, Nancy Zerbe, Katy Johnson, Derrick Smart, Pam Hyde, Jackie Jewett, Carol Youd, Terry Brennon, Marina Robertson, Sis Eastland, Linda Jolly, Paul & Rebecca Wilson, Michael Johnson, Mal Underwood, The Rev. Louis Tonsmeire, Sam Hood and Lynette Pasek.

Please pray for those who have long-term health problems or are homebound, especially Lynn Fowler, Raymond Jankura, Tallulah, Laura Jean, Wendy, Kendra Baker, Justin Byrd, Alan Haigler, June Hyde-Hight, William Brown, Joseph McLure, Gary Schebbta, Beverly Montagno, Markie Montagno, Keith Scoimshaw, Arielle Levioff, Zane Hoyt, Janet Witner, Linda Kindon, Bob & Claudia White, Bonnie Harrelson, Sandy Rutters, Glendy Biggs, Hope Cunningham, Sarah McLeod, Kimberly Gottardi and Steve Novak.

#### Please pray for those who have died.

David Cox, Sr., Doris Guidry, Montyce Rutters, Wendy Little

# **Dates to Remember**

	eek of Pentecost Holy Eucharist with healing Canterbury Choir (Adult) Rehearsal
8:30 am 10:00 am	st Sunday after Pentecost, Trinity Sunday Final VBS planning meeting in the Parish Hall. Brunch provided. Holy Eucharist with Choir Fellowship in the Parish Hall
10:15 am 12:15 pm	st Week after Pentecost Prayer Yoga with Donna Marie Newton Holy Eucharist with healing Canterbury Choir (Adult) Rehearsal
10:00 am 11:15 pm	cond Sunday after Pentecost (The Rev. Richard H. Winters's last Sunday with us.) Holy Eucharist with Choir Reception in the Parish Hall VBS set up
June 12-15, 2023	<ul> <li>Vacation Bible School 5:30-8:00 pm</li> <li>"Jesus Loves Me" the me.</li> </ul>
10:15 am 12:15 pm	econd Week after Pentecost Prayer Yoga with Donna Marie Newton Holy Eucharist with healing Canterbury Choir (Adult) Rehearsal
· ·	arish-wide Cookout 5:30-8:00 All hands and appetites on deck!
10:00 am	nird Sunday after Pentecost (The Rev. Alex Dyer's first Sunday with us.) Holy Eucharist with Choir Reception in the Parish Hall
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## You are called to ministry!

Please know that volunteering in the work of God here at Ascension will bring you joy and fellowship as well as bless those you encounter. You have a place in strengthening our efforts to bring God's mission for the Church of the Ascension to full measure by getting involved. If uncertain of how to begin please contact the church office, 770-382-2626, or anyone on the list below.

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