

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray

People: O God, on this day you open the hearts of your faithful people by sending into us your Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have a right judgement in all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE OF THE DAY - Acts 2:1-8, 11b-13 and St. John 20:19-33

2When 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.

5 Now 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? 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.'

19 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.' 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.'

24 But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

26 A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my

side. Do not doubt but believe.’ ²⁸Thomas answered him, ‘My Lord and my God!’ ²⁹Jesus said to him, ‘Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.’

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹ But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

SENDING HYMN ELW # 401 “Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading”

1. Gracious Spirit, heed our pleading, fashion us all anew. It’s your leading that we’re needing, help us to follow you.

Refrain: Come, come, come, Holy Spirit, come. Come, come, come, Holy Spirit, come.

2. Come to teach us, come to nourish those who believe in Christ. Bless the faithful, may they flourish, strengthened by grace unpriced. Refrain.

3. Guide our thinking and our speaking done in your holy name. Motivate all in their seeking, freeing from guilt and shame. Refrain.

4. “Not mere knowledge, but discernment, not rootless liberty; turn disquiet to contentment, doubt into certainty. Refrain.

5. Keep us fervent in our witness, unswayed by earth’s allure. Ever grant us zealous fitness, which you alone assure. Refrain.

Thank you to our musicians: Emily Costar, Aimee Pakan, Joel Pakan, Linda Bobbitt, and Kate Bode; And Production Team: Mark Moyer, Delaney Hanson.

Would you love to use your musical talents to continue the word of The Table? Do you know talented musicians who need an opportunity to use their gifts? Please contact Vicar Aimee Pakan at aimee@tangledblue.com to let us know!