



Day of Pentecost
Baptism of Wolfgang Joseph Paul Unger
May 19, 2024

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*The flowers today were donated by Barbara DiGiacinto
in memory of her mother Peggy Wago
and her aunts Goldie Hergenhan and Mildred Wago*



Welcome to St. Stephen's Church. We hope that the music, scripture readings, prayer and sacrament we share today give you strength and inspire you to share the love of God in the world as freely as it has been given to you. If there is anything you need this morning, please ask the usher who greeted you as you arrived or anyone else with a role in the service.

Organ Pprelude

Opening Hymn Hymn

“Come down, O Love divine”

1 Come down, O Love di - vine, seek thou this soul of mine,
 2 O let it free - ly burn, till earth - ly pas - sions turn
 3 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,

and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;
 to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;
 shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing;

O Com - fort - er, draw near, with - in my heart ap - pear,
 and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,
 for none can guess its grace, till Love cre - ate a place

and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
 and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
 where - in the Ho - ly Spi - rit makes a dwell - ing.

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The Celebrant welcomes everyone and introduces the service

The Liturgy of the Word

Priest Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

All The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Priest There is one Body and one Spirit;
Response **There is one hope in God's call to us;**
Priest One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
Response **One God and Father of all.**

Priest The Lord be with you.
Response **And also with you.**
Priest 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.**

You may be seated for the first scripture reading.

New Testament Reading

Acts 2:1-21

Lector A reading from the Book of the Acts of the Apostles

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

All Thanks be to God



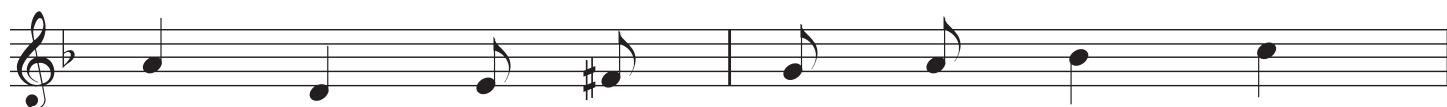
Sequence Hymn “Like the murmur of the dove’s song”



1 Like the mur - mur of the dove's song, like the
2 To the mem - bers of Christ's Bo - dy, to the
3 With the heal - ing of di - vi - sion, with the



chal - lenge of her flight, like the vig - or of the
branch - es of the Vine, to the Church in faith as -
cease - less voice of prayer, with the power to love and



wind's rush, like the new flame's ea - ger
sem - bled, to her midst as gift and
wit - ness, with the peace be - yond com -



might: come, — Ho - ly Spi - rit, come.
sign: come, — Ho - ly Spi - rit, come.
pare: come, — Ho - ly Spi - rit, come.

Gospel Reading

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Please stand as you are able for the Gospel reading.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John
All **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to his disciples, "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about

righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord
All Praise to you, Lord Christ

The Sermon

Rev. Garrett Mettler

All may be seated for the sermon

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

Priest The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Response We present Wolfgang Joseph Paul Unger to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Priest Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Response I will, with God’s help.

Priest Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Response I will, with God’s help.

Priest Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Response I renounce them.

Priest Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Response I renounce them.

Priest Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Response I renounce them.

Priest Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Response I do.

Priest Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Response I do.

Priest Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

I do.

The priest now addresses the congregation.

Priest Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

Response We will.

Priest Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Priest Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

Response 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.

Priest Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**Response 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.**

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

Response I will, with God's help.

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

Response I will, with God's help.

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

Response I will, with God's help.

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

Response I will, with God's help.

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

Response I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidates

Priest Let us now pray for Wolfgang, who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth and for those who have renewed their commitment to Christ.

Leader Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

Response Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open his heart to your grace and truth.

Response Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

Response Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

Response Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.

Response Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Send him into the world in witness to your love.

Response Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.

Response Lord, hear our prayer.

Priest Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving over the Water

The priest blesses the water, first saying

The Lord be with you.

Response And also with you.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Response It is right to give him thanks and praise.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water.

Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation.

Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage

in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus

received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy

Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death

and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Baptism

Wolfgang, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Wolfgang, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Priest and People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

You are invited to share a sign of peace with those around you. After this, please be seated for the announcements.

Offeratory Hymn

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

by John Rutter, sung by choir

Please stand, as you are able, for the Doxology – a hymn to the Holy Trinity giving thanks for the bread, the wine and the collection

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures
here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host:
praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

The Great Thanksgiving

Priest The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Priest continues

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

Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
 might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

You are invited to kneel or remain standing as your own piety leads you

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

**All We remember his death,
 We proclaim his resurrection,
 We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Stephen and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

**All 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,
 for ever and ever. Amen**

The Priest lifts up the consecrated bread.

Priest Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

In the Episcopal Church we welcome all who wish to receive communion, as conscience and religious tradition allow. The usher will invite you to come to the communion rail. To receive the bread please extend your hands to the priest. To receive the wine gently guide the chalice to your lips as it is extended to you. If you prefer to receive the communion wine by intinction (having the wafer dipped in the wine instead of drinking from the chalice) please hold the bread out to the Eucharistic minister and allow them to take it from your hand. Should you prefer

not to receive communion, the priest can pray for God's blessing in your life. Simply indicate your desire for this by crossing your arms over your chest as he approaches. After all have received we give thanks to God for the gift of this sacrament.

Priest Let us pray.

All God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Priest offers a Blessing prior to the closing hymn

Closing Hymn

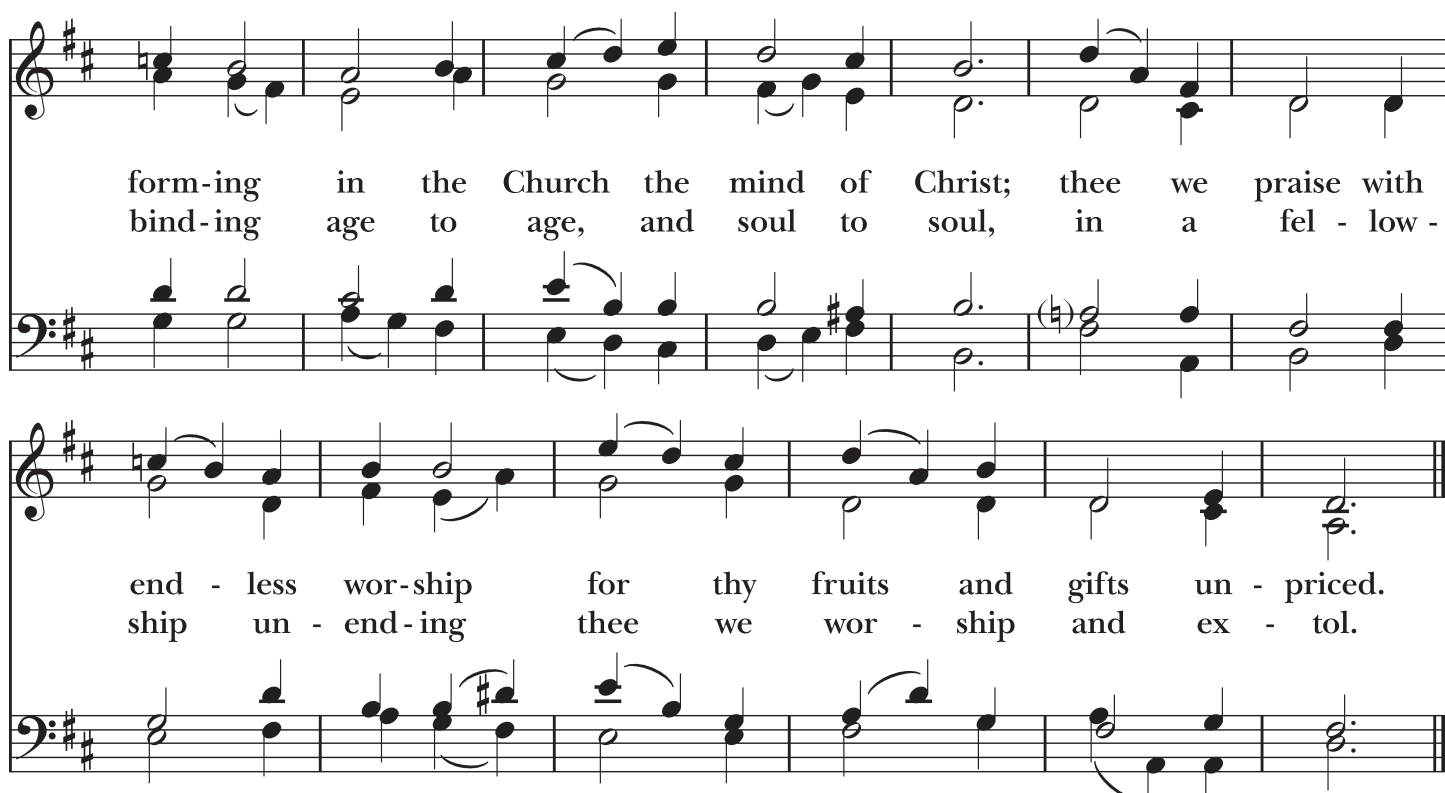
"Holy Spirit, ever living"

1 Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er liv - ing as the Church's
2 Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er work - ing through the Church's

ve - ry life; Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er striv - ing
min - is - try; quick - ening, strength - ening, and ab - solv - ing,

through her in a cease - less strife; Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er
set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free; Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er

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form-ing in the Church the mind of Christ; thee we praise with
bind-ing age to age, and soul to soul, in a fel - low -
end - less wor-ship for thy fruits and gifts un - priced.
ship un - end - ing thee we wor - ship and ex - tol.

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The Dismissal

Priest Let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Organ Postlude



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by Treasures and St. Stephen's.





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