Day of Pentecost

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, on this day, through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, you revealed the way of eternal life to every race and nation: Pour out this gift anew, that by the preaching of the Gospel your salvation 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.

First Lesson: Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language.

And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and 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 Arabians— we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God."

And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

"And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on 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 on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.

And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.

And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 104:24-35 Benedic, anima mea

- O Lord, how manifold are your works!*

 In wisdom have you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- Here is the sea, great and wide, which teems with creatures innumerable,* living things both small and great.
- There go the ships,* and Leviathan, which you formed to play in it.
- These all look to you,*
 to give them their food in due season.
- When you give it to them, they gather it up;*
 when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.
- When you hide your face, they are dismayed;*
 when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
- When you send forth your Spirit, they are created,* and you renew the face of the ground.
- May the glory of the Lord endure forever;*
 may the Lord rejoice in his works,
- who looks on the earth and it trembles,*
 who touches the mountains and they smoke!
- I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;*

 I will sing praise to my God while I have being.
- May my meditation be pleasing to him,* for I rejoice in the Lord.
- Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more!*

 Bless the Lord, O my soul! Praise the Lord!

We sing together:

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. World without end. Amen. Amen.

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

People: Glory to You, Lord Christ.

The Gospel: John 14:8-17

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us."

Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? 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 authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves.

"Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father. Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, 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 Helper, to be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.