



# Holy Comforter Episcopal Church

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

PENTECOST SUNDAY

June 08, 2025 • 10:30 a.m.

## Restoring all people to loving unity with Christ

*We invite you to prepare for the service in quiet meditation and prayer.  
Hymns are found in the blue Hymnal 1982.  
“BCP” refers to pages in the red Book of Common Prayer.*

### Come Down, O Love Divine

Hymn 516

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*The Celebrant continues*

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.**

### Light the Fire

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### The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*The Celebrant continues*

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.**

### A Reading from the Book of Acts

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.' "

[Acts 2:1-21]

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalms 104:25-35,37** *(Read responsively by whole verse)*

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!

### A Reading from the Letter to the Romans

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.

[Romans 8:14-17]

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Come Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove Hymn 512

The Gospel

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John.  
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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."

[John 14:8-17,25-27]

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.  
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon Mtr. Rachel Hill

A brief period of silence follows the sermon.

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows BCP 292

The Prayers of the People

At the end of each petition  
People Hear our prayer.

A brief silence is kept. The Celebrant then says the concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin BCP 360

The Peace BCP 360

Announcements

Offertory

If you are worshipping with us in person, we encourage you to place your gift in the offering plates as they are passed in the pews. For instructions on online and text giving, see the back panel of this bulletin.

Road Trip VBS Kids Choir

The Doxology (sung)

People Praise God, from whom all blessings flow  
Praise him all creatures here below  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer A BCP 361

At the Breaking of the Bread, we say

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.  
Celebrant We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ;  
People Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.

Holy Communion

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion at Holy Comforter. Approach the altar in a double line in the center aisle. Stand or kneel at the rail and receive the bread in your hand. You may sip the wine directly from the common cup or dip the bread in the cup. If you do not wish to receive the bread or wine for any reason, fold your arms across your chest and the priest will give you a blessing instead.

If you would like to receive Communion but are unable to walk to the rail, tell a greeter and a minister will be happy to bring Communion to you at your pew.

Praise the Spirit in Creation Hymn 507

Breathe Insert

Prayer After Communion BCP 365

The Blessing

Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise Hymn 214, v. 1,2,4

The Dismissal BCP 366

The altar flowers are given by Pat and Randy Desilet in celebration of their 53rd anniversary.

Welcome!

At Holy Comforter, we strive to follow and obey Christ as our Savior and Lord. Everyone is welcome in our church. Whatever your background may be, whether you have some faith or no faith, whether you're looking for a church home or just wanting to see what a church is like, we're glad to have you with us.

Your Gift Makes a Difference

HCEC runs solely on the generosity of its members. Give today via the offering plate; or text **GIVE** to **(844) 462-8754**; or scan this code with your phone to give online. You can also mail your gift to Holy Comforter Episcopal Church, Attn: Finance, 2015 Fleischmann Rd., Tallahassee, FL 32308.



Childcare

Free, professional childcare is provided from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm each Sunday. Please see Ms. Hannah or Ms. Caitlin in the Narthex.

Prayers of the Church

**Pray for:** Celeste, Mae, Cynthia, Herb, Rhonda, Bonnie, Lee, Russell, Marcie, Sterling, Marcie, Jan, Anita, Valerie, Suzy, Mason, Kayleigh, Elizabeth, Patsy, Susan, Pat, Joy, Diane, Josefa, Avri, Vicki, Marguerite, Diane, Allison, Jack, Dennis, and Christine.

**Pray for those celebrating birthdays**, especially Marsha & Kate.

**Pray for those celebrating anniversaries**, especially Tony & Kate; Jim Bob & Joan; Terry & Fran; Randy & Pat.