



St. Cyprian's Church

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Sunday 24th May 2026
Ascension Day

Collect of the Day

O God, who on the day of Pentecost enlightened the hearts of your people by the fire of the Holy Spirit: give us wisdom and understanding, and lead us into all truth, that your Church may be kept in the unity of the Spirit and the bond of peace; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

Hymns for today * =The Source Hymnal		
Opening	224	Lead us Heavenly father lead us
Gradual	462*	<i>Spirit of the living God</i>
Offertory	153	Come gracious Spirit, heavenly dove
Communion	89	Spirit of mercy, truth and love
Closing	431	We have a Gospel to Proclaim

Anglican Cycle of Prayer The Episcopal Church in the Philippines; Thy Kingdom Come; Anglican Communion Sunday

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer Bishop Nick Bundock; The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Denmark. The Assistant Director of Ordinands (Verity Brown) and the Vocational Discernment Co-ordinator (Dawn Matthew, Tess Lowe). Heartland Charge

Those on our prayer list: Lenzie Old & Lenzie Union Parishes; The search process at St. James the Less in Bishopbriggs; Len; Hazel; Revs. Les and Lucy; Bill; Rosa and her sister; Barbara; Sheila and Shaunda; Ruth; Kennedy; Duncan; Jean; Margaret; Susan; Tom and Lynda; Jean; Peter; Helen; Glennis; Jean; Mary; and those who are named in the Prayer Book at the back of the church.

Notices

- ❖ **Evensong for Pentecost** tonight at 5pm.
- ❖ This summer, **Rev Audrey will be running an informed communion class** for any children who would like to dive deeper into the meaning of the Eucharist. We will meet for 1 hour per week at a time to be agreed between participant families. **If you have a young person entering P1-P7 who would like to participate please speak with Rev Audrey.**
- ❖ **Rev Audrey will be on annual leave from 27 May – 4 June.** Contacts for pastoral emergencies will be shared in due course.
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First Reading

Acts 1: 1-11

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.”

Psalm 104: 25-35, 37

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!

Epistle

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.

The Gospel

John 20:19-23

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.”