

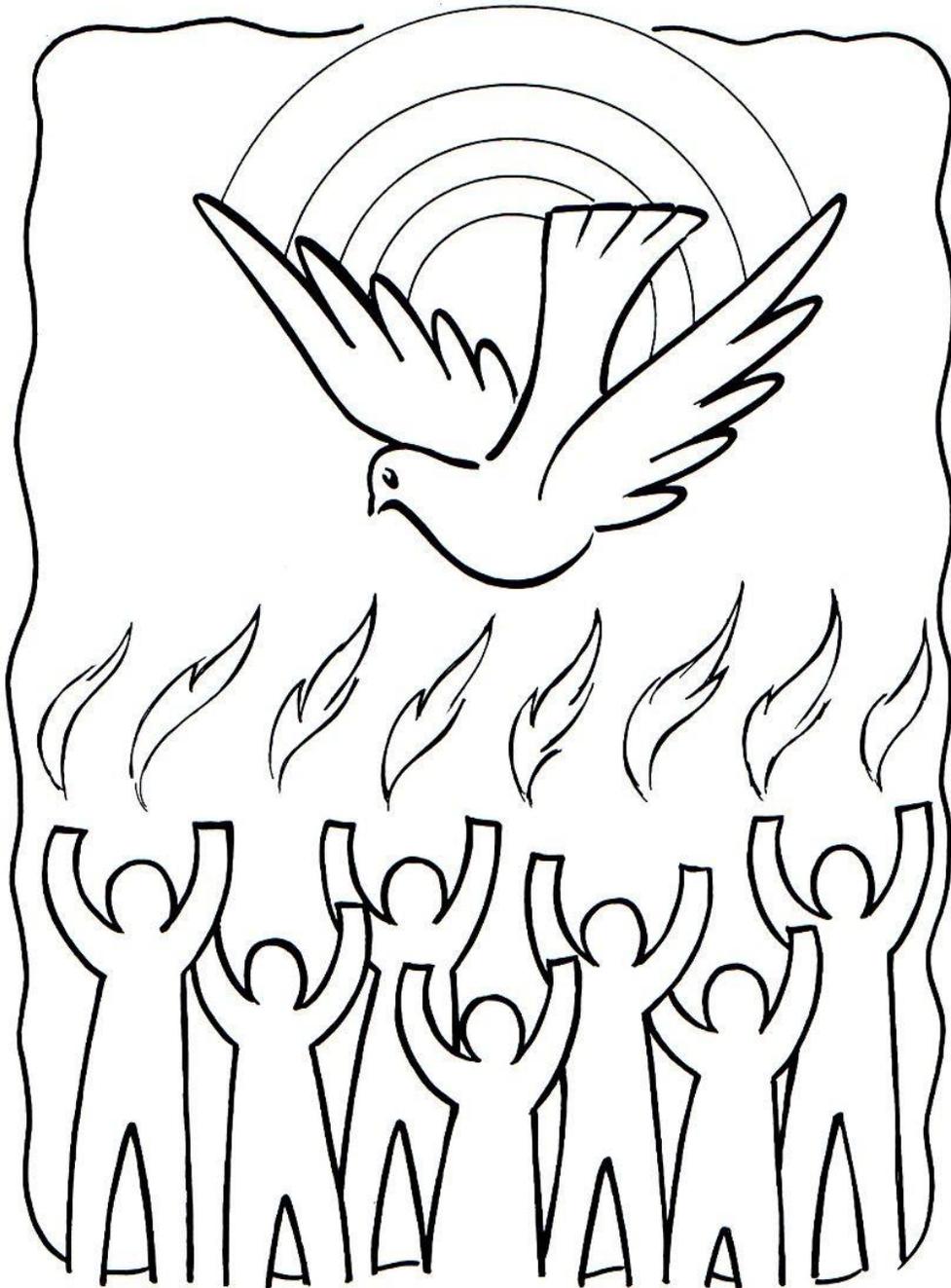
THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

Pentecost Sunday

May 20, 2018

As people of God, we celebrate Christ in the heart of Victoria through joyful worship,
building inclusive community, and putting faith into action.

St. John's acknowledges these ancestral territories of the Lekwungen people.



Welcome to the Parish Church of St. John the Divine. We are a community of faith in the Anglican Tradition, seeking to live lives of faith, hope and love as part of this community of Downtown Victoria. We are on a journey of learning to be a welcoming, inviting, inclusive and serving community which is open to all.

Our worship reflects our rootedness in the Anglican tradition, whilst drawing on liturgies that reflect the long history and heritage of our Christian faith. Please join in as you feel able, and enjoy the words, music and opportunity for prayer and to be a part of our community.

If our service seems unfamiliar, please follow the cues from our leaflet, the ministers leading the service and those around you. Most of our Sunday morning worship services have the Eucharist, or Holy Communion, at the heart of our worship – please feel free to join us, whatever your tradition, in the sharing of bread and wine, at the station nearest to where you are seated. Gluten free wafers are available at all stations: Please indicate if you need one.

Within the Anglican Church of Canada (under the advice of the Primate and the Chief Medical Officer for Canada) we would ask that bread is not dipped into the wine, as this has the potential to spread infection in a way that the sharing of the cup does not. If you would prefer not to share the cup then receiving only bread is considered ‘full communion’ (also known as ‘Communion in One Kind’).

If there is anything that you wish to talk about, please do take the opportunity to talk to the worship leaders, ministers and other members of the congregation following the service. If you wish to receive prayer for yourself or for another, there will be members of our Healing Prayer group in the south Quadra entrance who would be happy to pray with you as the Holy Communion is shared.

After our service we usually share coffee and an opportunity to get to know one another, in the Church Hall – through the door on the front left hand side. We have many visitors and newcomers here so please make yourself known to folks as you feel comfortable.

You are very welcome here. We don’t always get it right; please let us know when we do, and when we don’t. Please stay and be a part of our family, for however long you would like.

8:00 am Holy Communion

The order of service is found on page 67 in the Book of Common Prayer

Presider: The Venerable Alastair McCollum

10:00 am Parish Eucharist

The congregation is invited to join in the hymns, responses and prayers marked in bold print.

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Gospel Reader: Joan Huzar

Sermon: The Venerable Alastair McCollum

Readers: Chris Eve, Doug Henderson

Intercessor: Lorraine Gates

Verger: Rand Harrison

Audio: Pat Payne

Music: The Choristers of St. John the Divine,
The MacRae Choral Scholars

The Mass Setting: *Mass for Four Voices* –
William Byrd (1538-1623)

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

The children are invited to gather at the back of the church and join in the procession.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN (CP 645)

DOWN AMPNEY

GATHERING

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

May his grace and peace be with you.

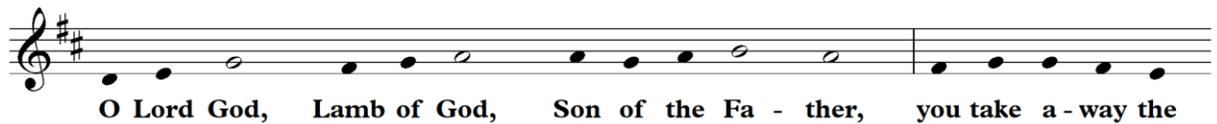
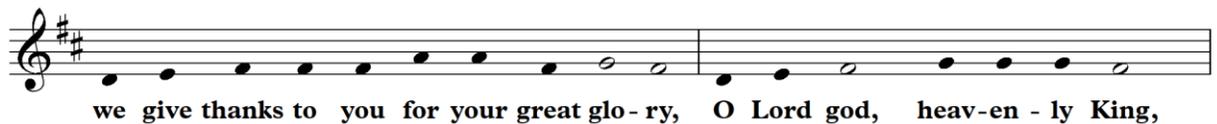
All: May he fill our hearts with joy.

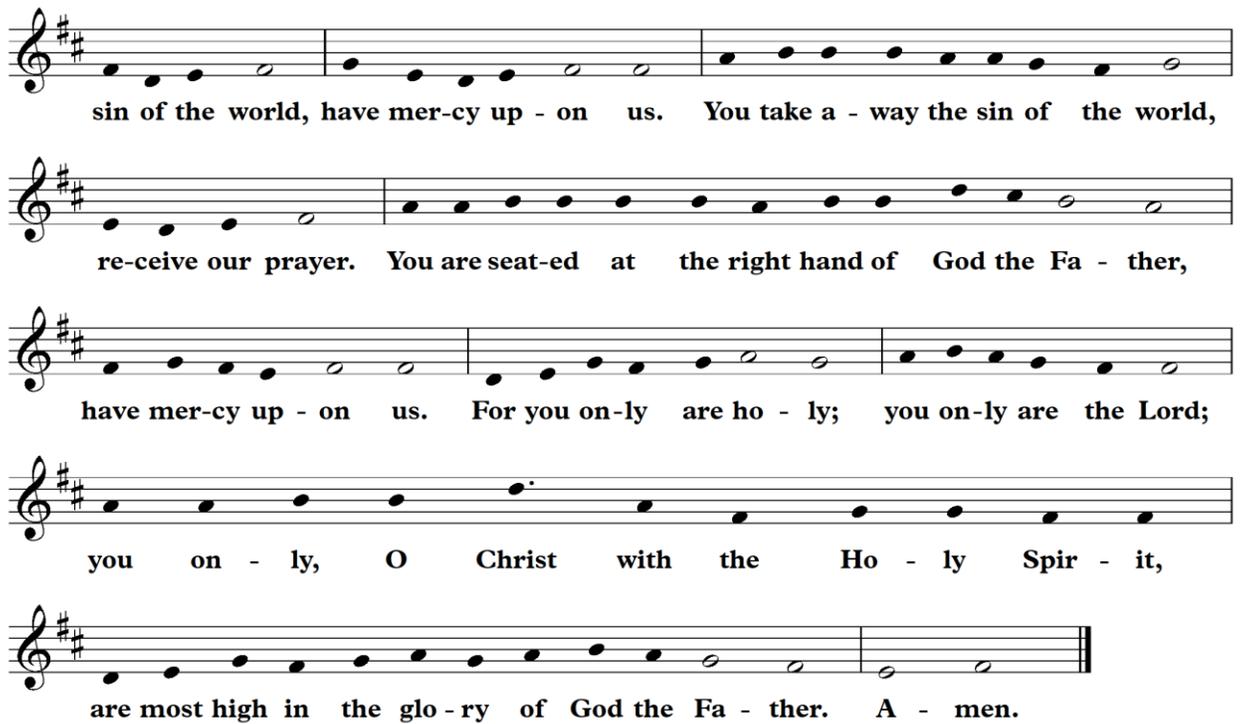
Almighty God

All: to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

John Merbecke, adapted





sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. You take a - way the sin of the world,
re-ceive our prayer. You are seat-ed at the right hand of God the Fa - ther,
have mer-cy up - on us. For you on-ly are ho - ly; you on-ly are the Lord;
you on - ly, O Christ with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
are most high in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER

Loving God,

All: You've called us to be your family and to celebrate our life together in worship.
We pray for all the members of our family, here and absent,
and especially for our young people now as they continue their worship,
Bless them, and each of us, in fun and learning, in friendship, and love. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Presider invites all to pray.

Silence is kept.

Spirit of truth: guide us into all truth;
consume the lies that shroud the world in hate;
pray in us with sighs too deep for words
with hope for a new world;
through Jesus Christ, who goes to the right hand of God.

All: Amen.

Prayers for an Inclusive Church (2009)

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Acts 2:1-21

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Following the Sermon there will be a pause for Silence.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Nicene Creed

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

**All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.
With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE PEACE

Please stand.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

All may offer their neighbour a sign of peace.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY HYMN (CP 624)

HEREFORD

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Holy God, gracious and merciful,
All: you bring forth food from the earth
and nourish your whole creation.
Turn our hearts toward those
who hunger in any way,
so that all may know your care;
and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life,
Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006) alt.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

BAS #3

Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And al - so with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *People* It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth;
we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord.
In fulfillment of your promise you pour forth your Spirit upon us,
filling us with gifts and leading us into all truth.
You give us power to proclaim your gospel to all nations
and to serve you as a royal priesthood.
Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels,
and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells,
to proclaim the glory of your name.

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS (*Sung by the choir*)

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.
Osanna in excelsis.
Benedictus qui venit
in nomine Domini.
Osanna in excelsis.

*Holy, holy, holy
Lord God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

We give thanks to you, Lord our God,
 for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation;
 in calling 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 Saviour 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 he was handed over to suffering and death,
 a death he freely accepted, 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, Father, according to his command,

All: We re-mem-ber his death, we pro-claim his res-ur-rec-tion,
 we a-wait his com-ing in glo-ry.

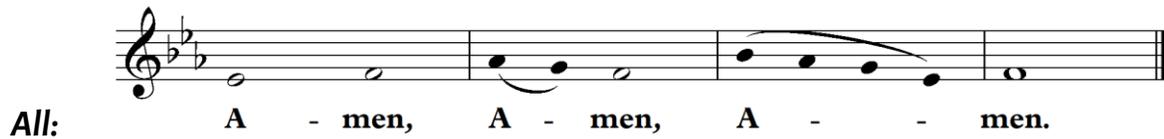
and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all;
 presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

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, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time,
 reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new,
 and bring us to that city of light
 where you dwell with all 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 whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,
now and for ever.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

Ambrosian Chant

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

"I am the bread of life," says the Lord.
"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;
whoever believes in me will never thirst."

**All: Taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are they who trust in him!**

THE COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

AGNUS DEI (*Sung by the choir*)

Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi,
dona nobis pacem.

*Lamb of God,
who takes away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God,
who takes away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.*

All are invited to receive communion at the side chapel, at the altar rail, or at the back of the church. Please follow the Greeters' instructions. Receiving bread or wine is considered full communion. It is the practice of the ACC not to dip the bread into the wine. Any not receiving communion are invited to receive a blessing, and to indicate that by holding their arms crossed on their chest.

If you are unable to come to a communion station please make this known to the Greeters and we will bring communion to you.

Gluten free wafers for communion are available. Please request them from the person who is distributing the bread.

Ministry of Healing

We invite those wishing prayer for themselves or on behalf of someone else to come to the front of the line to receive the bread and wine. Immediately after receiving, go to the prayer station in the south Quadra entrance. Briefly state your need. The prayer team will lay hands on your shoulders and will pray quietly for you.

MOTET DURING COMMUNION

Loquebantur variis linguis – G.L. da Palestrina (1525-1594)

Loquebantur variis linguis Apostoli
magnalia Dei,
prout Spiritus Sanctus dabat
eloqui illis, alleluia.
Repleti sunt omnes Spiritu Sancto,
et coeperunt loqui.

*The Apostles spoke in many languages
of the great works of God,
as the Holy Spirit gave them
the gift of speech, alleluia.
They were all filled with the Holy Spirit
and began to speak.*

THE COMMISSIONING OF THE COMMUNITY

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give you thanks, almighty God,
**All: that you have refreshed us
through the healing power of this gift of life.
In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift
in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Evangelical Lutheran Worship (2006)

THE BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord!
All: Thanks be to God.

RECESSIONAL HYMN (Hymnal 1982, 506)

REGENT SQUARE

VOLUNTARY Toccata

Eugène Gigout (1844-1925)

*You are invited to be seated for the Voluntary or to leave at this point.
Divine Brunch, coffee and tea will be served in the Parish Hall.*

FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

In loving memory of William Haggerty, from Patrick.

READINGS FOR TRINITY SUNDAY (MAY 27)

Isaiah 6:1-8 Isaiah is overcome with his own unworthiness when he encounters the awe-inspiring presence of the Holy God. Purified, he accepts the Divine commission.

Psalms 29 the power and majesty of God are manifested in strong forces of and over nature.

Romans 8:12-17 The Spirit of God accomplishes a change in our status from being slaves to the world to becoming children of God.

John 3:1-17 A private conversation opens into a presentation of two widely divergent perspectives on life in the presence of God.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Office Hours 9am – 12 Noon Tuesday to Friday

Please ensure that any announcements to be read or requests to speak on Sunday morning are received in the office by Friday noon.

Today

11:30 am	Divine Brunch	Hall
2:00 pm	PFLAG Meeting	Denson Lounge

Monday 21

The office is closed for Victoria Day.

Wednesday 23

7:45 am	Holy Communion followed by breakfast	Church/Denson Lounge
9:30 am	Sermon Circle	Denson Lounge
1:30 pm	Art and Soul Group	Crypt

Thursday 24

12:10 pm	Meditative Eucharist	Church
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Trinity Sunday 27

8:00 am	Holy Communion	Chapel
10:00 am	Parish Eucharist	Church
11:45 am	Sunday Reflections	Denson Lounge
2:30 pm	Concert: Linden Singers	Church

Come and revive your **Art and Soul** at the art and spirituality group in the crypt at St. John the Divine every Wednesday at 1:30pm. Art experience is not necessary! \$4.00 *Voluntary* donation per session to provide supplies for those in need. Any questions—contact Gillian Barlow or Susan McCabe.

The **2018 Diviners' Walking Group schedule** is now available on the entrance tables and at the front office.

Diviners' Walk – Friday, May 25th – meeting time is 5:30 pm (we wait 10 minutes only for latecomers): **Mystic Vale – University Gardens** – Park and start out from Cedar Hill Cross Road, just east of Henderson Road (in front of Emmanuel Baptist Church). **Pub:** Margaret Walker's home. Please contact Larry Scyner if you plan to come for dinner but not the walk.

Come to Cadboro Bay Saturday May 26th 10am-2pm for **St. George's annual Fun Day**, packed with games and activities for all ages, including a scavenger hunt, a bouncy castle, bean bag toss, cupcake walk, and a dog show, a huge plant sale, a book sale, and a baking and preserves sale! Don't worry about lunch: we'll have a big food fair with hot dogs, smokies, doughnuts, drinks, and best of all, samosas and dahl freshly made by the Ismaili Community. All are welcome!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Prayer Group prays through the week; to request confidential prayers for yourself or others contact Pat Manning at: patriciacmanning@gmail.com or leave the request at the church office.

Prayer is the bedrock of our relationship with God through Christ. Individual requests for intercessory prayer (read at Sunday and weekday services) may be made by filling out a **Prayer Request Card** available at the back of the church (on the west wall) or by emailing the same information requested on the card to: carolann.zenger@stjohnthedivine.bc.ca.

May Blue Envelope donations will go to support the **Taiama Project in Sierra Leone**. This project supports a School and Primary Health Care Centre in the village of Taiama, home to Eric Sama before he came to Victoria as a refugee from 1990's civil war. Eric, who has attended St. John's, returned there briefly in January 2018, to take medical supplies and funds which provide ongoing support for the project.

In March of this year, a great gathering at the Health Care Centre celebrated the **100th baby** born at the maternity facility, attended by a local mid-wife. Funds are still needed to hire an outreach worker, to do pre and post-natal home visits to new mothers and babies. Further information is available from the website: www.taiama.org

Thank you very much to everyone who pitched in to help the Gambian Mom two Sundays ago. Her son Muhamed - aged 4 - was injured in a motor-cycle accident in Gambia.

We are trying to expedite the process to get her children here. I asked for help clearing arrears of \$500 on a \$2000 travel loan. Your contributions cleared the entire loan, with \$150 over, which was used to Muhamed to a doctor in Senegal. The doctor decided Muhamed needed a scan at a cost of \$785 Canadian.

I polled the First Met/SJD Refugee Support Group. Nearly \$1,000 in pledges was made from the group. There was an overwhelming "yes" to using non-tax-receipted refugee support funds to front the cost of the scan while the pledges came in. The funds were sent, and the scan happened on Tuesday. We are now waiting for the result. I will keep you posted.

Mom is very grateful to St. John's for standing with her in this incredibly difficult time.

- *Chris Eve*

SOUL SPACE

Things to nourish our spiritual journey

Pentecost

Today we feel the wind beneath our wings
Today the hidden fountain flows and plays
Today the church draws breath at last and sings
As every flame becomes a Tongue of praise.
This is the feast of fire, air, and water
Poured out and breathed and kindled into earth.
The earth herself awakens to her maker
And is translated out of death to birth.
The right words come today in their right order
And every word spells freedom and release
Today the gospel crosses every border
All tongues are loosened by the Prince of Peace
Today the lost are found in His translation.
Whose mother-tongue is Love, in every nation

Malcolm Guite

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

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