

THE SERMON The Rev. Fr. Copeland D. Johnston

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Serving Today:

Celebrant: *The Rev. Fr. Copeland D. Johnston*

Organist: *Sylvia Sutter*

Acolytes: *Robert Tankard (8), Mack Simpson (10)*

Eucharistic Minister: *Larry McAvoy (8)*

Susan Simpson (10)

Lector: *Susan Tankard (8), LaRue Chuman (10)*

Ushers: *Barbara Craig, Bob Sutter*

Altar Guild: *Johnie Williams*

Flower Guild: *Allison Smith, Linda Baldree*

Coffee Hour: *Ann & Barry Wester*

The Beaufort County Choral Society will present its spring concert "Divine Waters" at St. Thomas today at 3:00 pm.

This week in your prayers, please remember:

Healing & Guidance: Ivan McRoy, Jim & Muffy Bowman, Rosemary Turnage, Lou Batton (Mark Batton's mother, Sylvia Sutter's sister), Alethia Anderson, Mike Baker, Betty Pruitt, Brooks Smith (Daughter of Barry & Anne Wester), Evelyn Britt (John's mom), Ray Bergin, Donald Michaud, Zack Martin, Sara Jo Manning, Nigro Family, Bob Cruse, Bishop Carl Wright, Bishop David O'Connell, Tracie Bowen, Rosemary Johnson, Olivia Hill, Kimberly Thienpont, Pam Huss, Frances Lippien, Roy Whichard (Susan Tankard's father)

Remember the Caregivers: Jane Baker, Dana

Military: Bradley Craig Ward, Chris Raducha, Adam Raducha, Hayden Tankard, Nathaniel Bowen, Frank Yenny (Jack & Kathryn Brake's grandson), McCauley Griffin (Annie Griffin's grandson), Sloan Smith (Robert Tankard's niece), Walker Brown (Pat & Sue Brown's grandson)

Birthdays: Buck Sitterson (29th), Susan Tankard (2nd), James Latham, Jr., Jack Chesson (3rd)

PLEASE REMEMBER ST. THOMAS IN YOUR WILL

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PRELUDE: *Now We Pray to the Holy Spirit*

Wilhelm Volckmar
(1812 – 1887)

510 *Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove*

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Priest: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Collect for Purity

355

S278 Gloria

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray.

The Collect For The Day

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.*

The First Lesson: Acts 2:1-21

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.' "

Psalms 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!

The Second Lesson: 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.

516 Come down, O love divine

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."