

Whitsunday

A reading from the Prophet Joel, chapter 2, beginning at the 28th verse.

This passage may be found in your pew Bible on page 1,053.

(Pause to allow parishioners to find the page.)

28 “And it shall come to pass afterward
That I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh;
Your sons and your daughters shall
prophesy,
Your old men shall dream dreams,
Your young men shall see visions.
29 And also on My menservants and on
My maidservants
I will pour out My Spirit in those days.

30 “And I will show wonders in the
heavens and in the earth:
Blood and fire and pillars of smoke.
31 The sun shall be turned into darkness,
And the moon into blood,

Before the coming of the great and
awesome day of the Lord.

32 And it shall come to pass
That whoever calls on the name of the
Lord
Shall be saved.
For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there
shall be deliverance,
As the Lord has said,
Among the remnant whom the Lord calls.

This is the word of the Lord.

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The Psalter – Psalm 18:1-20

**I WILL love thee, O LORD, my strength. *
The LORD is my stony rock, and my defence;**

**My Saviour, my God, and my might, in whom I
will trust; * my buckler, the horn also of my
salvation, and my refuge.**

**I will call upon the LORD, which is worthy to
be praised; * so shall I be safe from mine
enemies.**

**The sorrows of death compassed me, * and the
overflowings of ungodliness made me afraid.**

**The pains of hell came about me; * the snares
of death overtook me.**

**In my trouble I called upon the LORD, * and
complained unto my God:**

**So he heard my voice out of his holy temple, *
and my complaint came before him; it entered
even into his ears.**

**The earth trembled and quaked, * the very
foundations also of the hills shook, and were
removed, because he was wroth.**

**There went a smoke out in his presence, * and
a consuming fire out of his mouth, so that coals
were kindled at it.**

**He bowed the heavens also, and came down, *
and it was dark under his feet.**

**He rode upon the Cherubim, and did fly; * he
came flying upon the wings of the wind.**

**He made darkness his secret place, * his
pavilion round about him with dark water, and
thick clouds to cover him.**

**At the brightness of his presence his clouds
removed; * hailstones and coals of fire.**

**The LORD also thundered out of heaven, and
the Highest gave his thunder; * hailstones and
coals of fire.**

**He sent out his arrows, and scattered them; *
he cast forth lightnings, and destroyed them.**

**The springs of waters were seen, and the
foundations of the round world were
discovered, * at thy chiding, O LORD, at the
blasting of the breath of thy displeasure.**

**He sent down from on high to fetch me, * and
took me out of many waters.**

**He delivered me from my strongest enemy, and
from them which hate me; * for they were too
mighty for me**

**They came upon me in the day of my trouble; *
but the LORD was my upholder.**

**He brought me forth also into a place of
liberty; * he brought me forth, even because he
had a favour unto me.**

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A reading from the Acts of the Apostles, chapter 2, beginning at the 1st verse.

This passage may be found in the Book of Common Prayer on page 180.

(Pause to allow parishioners to find the page.)

WHEN the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues, like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them: and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven. Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were

confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language. And they were all amazed, and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galilaeans? And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born? Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judaea, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia, Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes, Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.

(Pause for a count of 5)

This is the word of the Lord.