



Central Hartlepool Group

One Family, Three Parishes,
Growing the Kingdom.

Notices and Readings for Pentecost, 31 May 2020:

Stranton, Burbank Community and St Luke's Churches

God is at work, even when our church buildings are closed

If you can, you are welcome to follow Services streaming LIVE from the homes of ministers and worship leaders, on Facebook live or later on Stranton web page <http://www.stranton-church.org.uk/videos.html>

Services Sunday 31 May PENTECOST

		<i>Minister</i>	<i>Facebook page</i> (Link on the page below)
9.15am	Eucharist	Mother Gemma	St Aidan's
10.00am	Parish Communion	Revd Michelle	Stranton
3.00pm	Songs of Praise	Julie & Norman	Stranton
4.00pm	Messy Church	Julie	Messy Church Page

Readings Collect and Prayers for today: **Acts 2: 1-21 and John 20: 19-23**

(Full text below)

The words for the Hymns & Songs are available below (10am Holy Communion and 3pm Songs of Praise)

Collect

Risen, ascended Lord,
as we rejoice at your triumph,
fill your Church on earth with power and
compassion,
that all who are estranged by sin
may find forgiveness and know your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen

Post Communion

Faithful God,
who fulfilled the promises of Ester
by sending us your Holy Spirit
and opening to every race and nation
the way of life eternal:
open our lips by your Spirit,
that every tongue may tell of your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Acts 2: 1-21

The Holy Spirit comes at Pentecost

2:1 When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ²Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

⁵Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. ⁷Utterly amazed, they asked: 'Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans?' ⁸Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹(both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs – we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!' ¹²Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, 'What does this mean?'

¹³Some, however, made fun of them and said, 'They have had too much wine.'

Peter addresses the crowd

¹⁴Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: 'Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. ¹⁵These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

¹⁷“In the last days, God says,

I will pour out my Spirit on all people.

Your sons and daughters will prophesy,

your young men will see visions,

your old men will dream dreams.

¹⁸Even on my servants, both men and women,

I will pour out my Spirit in those days,

and they will prophesy.

¹⁹I will show wonders in the heavens above

and signs on the earth below,

blood and fire and billows of smoke.

²⁰The sun will be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood

before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.

²¹And everyone who calls

on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

John 20: 19-23

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John **Glory to you, O Lord**

Jesus appears to his disciples

¹⁹On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you!' ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

²¹Again Jesus said, 'Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.' ²²And with that he breathed on them and said, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.'

*This is the Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, O Christ***

Group Prayer Diary... Sunday 31st May 2020* Pentecost Sunday

"Don't worry about anything. Instead, tell God about everything. Ask and pray. Give thanks to him" Philipians 4v6

For the Holy Spirit of Peace which calms our mind and stills our life, we give you thanks and praise.

For the Holy Spirit of Love that touches hearts and reaches out, we give you thanks and praise.

For the Holy Spirit of Joy that lifts our soul and gives us faith, we give you thanks and praise.

For the Holy Spirit of Power, that gift of grace for this your church, we give you thanks and praise. Amen.

(adapted from Faith and Worship) faithandworship.com

The Thy Kingdom Come website is at... <https://www.thykingdomcome.global/>

From Patricia Watson, who read this prayer and thought of our anticipated Communities of Hope Bid

"O Great Love, thank you for living and loving in us and through us. May all that we do flow from our deep connection with you and all beings. Help us become a community that vulnerably shares each other's burdens and the weight of glory." Amen

8.30am Zoom Morning Prayer

A number of us are gathering for morning prayer each week day, this week Monday – Friday. You will need an invitation to join this meeting. Please either contact Norman or David Craig

On line Services for 1 -6 June tbc

Day	9.15am Mass/Communion	3pm Reflection/Prayer in the afternoon	8pm (8.15 Thurs) Night Prayer
Monday	Mother Gemma	Rev Clive	Rev Andrew
Tuesday	Mother Gemma	Mother Gemma	Linda
Wednesday	Rev Clive	Christine	Rev Michelle
Thursday	Mother Gemma	Emma C	Rev Norman
Friday	-----	Rev Norman	Julia
Saturday	Mother Gemma	-----	Andrew Mc

Services Sunday 7 June

9.15am	Eucharist	Mother Gemma	St Aidan's
10.00am	Parish Communion	Revd Norman & Julie	Stranton
3.00pm	Songs of Praise	Andy & Lucy	St Luke's

Services will be live streamed on one Facebook page and then shared after

<https://www.facebook.com/aidancolumba/>

<https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsstranton/>

<https://www.facebook.com/stlukeshartlepool>

<https://www.facebook.com/strantonmessychurch/>

(Also available soon afterwards: <http://stranton-church.org.uk/videos.html>)

Intercessions

- We continue to pray for the Hartlepool Foodbank and the Poolie Exchange Scheme supporting the vulnerable in our town.
- We pray for all in government making decisions regarding lifting the lockdown that will affect all our lives.
- We pray for all who are unwell, awaiting medical treatment or are in hospital, especially for Ann Lumley recently returned home from hospital and Revd Mary Judson who has started her treatment for cancer. We pray for those in isolation. We pray for those in care homes, especially for those in Dinsdale Lodge where a resident has tested positive for Covid19.
- We pray for all key workers.
- We pray for those who mourn, especially for the family and friends of Joyce Pidd, Doreen Stoddart, Edward Fothergill and Carol Dover.

Notices

FREE - Prayer "Apps" – in addition to the Daily prayer app- <https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/apps> (used in 08:30 Morning Prayer) some of us are (on Norman and Julie's recommendation) using "LECTIO 365" <https://www.cwr.org.uk/lectio365> to help in daily devotions.

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More information can be found on our web sites at:

Stranton <http://www.stranton-church.org.uk>

St Luke's www.stlukeshartlepool.org

Weekly offertory - online or direct payment options

You can, if you wish, make online offertory in support of the mission and work of the Church, directly via your web browser if you have one: <https://givealittle.co/campaigns/471d3a8c-3abe-4b11-8cb4-ef7bfa074df4> or indirectly via the church website: <http://stranton-church.org.uk> - also on our dedicated page on the Church of England "A Church Near You" website: or **if you do not have a web connection** and/or wish to set up a Parish Giving Scheme regular monthly payment please contact craigdanew@gmail.com - David Craig, Hon. PCC Treasurer, who can provide this information. You can also set up a direct payment by standing order from your own bank to: Stranton PCC, sort code 20 82 18 Account 10146501.

Holy Communion Sunday 31st May 10am
Pentecost Sunday

The greeting and opening prayer

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

also with you.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Response to sentences:

Fill us with your Spirit.

There is nothing worth more

that would ever come close,
Nothing can compare, you're our living Hope,
Your presence, Lord.

I've tasted and seen of the sweetest of loves,
When my heart becomes free and my shame is undone,
Your presence, Lord.

*Holy Spirit you are welcome here,
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere.
Your glory God is what our hearts long for,
To be overcome by your presence, Lord.*

Let us become more aware of your presence.
Let us experience the glory of your goodness.

Confession

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Words of forgiveness

Collect

**Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,
ignite in us your holy fire;
strengthen your children with the gift of faith,
revive your Church with the breath of love,
and renew the face of the earth,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

You are here, moving in our midst
I worship You, I worship You
You are here, working in this place
I worship You, I worship You

*(You are) Way Maker, Miracle Worker
Promise Keeper
Light in the darkness, my God
That is who You are.*

You are here, touching every heart
I worship You, I worship You
You are here, healing every heart
I worship You, I worship You.

You are here, turning lives around
I worship You, I worship You
You are here, mending every heart
I worship You, I worship You.

That is who You are (x4)

Even when I don't see it, You're working
Even when I don't feel it, You're working
You never stop, You never stop working
You never stop, You never stop working.

Bible reading Acts 2:1-13

At the end

The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Gospel reading John 20:19-23

Acclamation Alleluia

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

I raise a hallelujah, in the presence of my enemies
I raise a hallelujah, louder than the unbelief
I raise a hallelujah, my weapon is a melody
I raise a hallelujah, Heaven comes to fight for me.

*I'm gonna sing, in the middle of the storm
Louder and louder, you're gonna hear my praises roar
Up from the ashes, hope will arise
Death is defeated, the King is alive.*

I raise a hallelujah, with everything inside of me
I raise a hallelujah, I will watch the darkness flee
I raise a hallelujah, in the middle of the mystery
I raise a hallelujah, fear you lost your hold on me.

Sing a little louder (sing a little louder) x 4

Sing a little louder (In the presence of my enemies)
Sing a little louder (Louder than the unbelief)
Sing a little louder (My weapon is a melody)
Sing a little louder (Heaven comes to fight for me)
I raise a hallelujah

The Creed

**Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures;
he was buried; he was raised to life on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures;
afterwards he appeared to his followers, and to all the
apostles:
this we have received, and this we believe.
Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Lord, come to bless us
and fill us with your Spirit.

final response:

**Hear our prayer,
and make us one in heart and mind
to serve you with joy for ever. Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you. Alleluia

Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the holy one is here.
Come, bow before him now,
in reverence and fear.
In him no sin is found,
we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the holy one is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;
He burns with holy fire,
with splendour he is crowned.
How awesome is the sight,
our radiant king of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place,
He comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister his grace.
No work too hard for him,
in faith receive from him;
Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.

Blessed be God, who feeds the hungry,
who raises the poor, who fills our praise.
Blessed be God for ever

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here
His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

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

**Holy, holy, holy Lord
God of Power and might,
Heaven and Earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Breaking of bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

The Lord bless you and keep you

Make His face shine upon you

And be gracious to you.

The Lord turn His face toward you

And give you peace.

Amen, amen, amen

Amen, amen, amen

May His favour be upon you
And a thousand generations
Your family and your children
And their children, and their children

Amen, amen

The Blessing

The Lord is here.
His Spirit is with us.

Filled with the Spirit's power,
go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Pentecost Praise Sunday 31st May 3pm

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul

Worship His holy name

Sing like never before, O my soul

I'll worship your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing your song again.
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me:
Let me be singing when the evening comes.

You're rich in love, and you're slow to anger,
Your name is great, and your heart is kind.
For all your goodness I will keep on singing,
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

And on that day when my strength is failing,
The end draws near and my time has come.
Still my soul will sing your praise unending,
Ten thousand years and then forevermore.

Here I am waiting, abide in me, I pray,
Here I am longing for you.
Hide me in your love, bring me to my knees,
May I know Jesus more and more.

Come live in me all my life, take over.
Come breathe in me and I will rise on eagles' wings.
Come live in me all my life, take over.
Come breathe in me and I will rise on eagles' wings.

All who are thirsty,

all who are weak,
come to the fountain,
dip your heart in the stream of life.
Let the pain and the sorrow
be washed away
in the waves of his mercy,
as deep cries out to deep,
and we sing...

Come, Lord Jesus, come.

Come, Lord Jesus, come.

Come, Lord Jesus, come.

Come, Lord Jesus, come.

Holy Spirit, come....

O Breath of life, come sweeping through us,
revive thy church with life and pow'r;
O Breath of life, come, cleanse, renew us,
and fit thy church to meet this hour.

O Wind of God, come bend us, break us,
till humbly we confess our need;
then in thy tenderness remake us,
revive, restore, for this we plead.

O Breath of love, come breathe within us,
renewing thought and will and heart;
come, Love of Christ, afresh to win us,
revive thy church in ev'ry part.

Revive us, Lord! Is zeal abating,
while harvest fields are vast and white?
Revive, us Lord, the world is waiting,
equip thy church to spread the light.

Made in perfect love,

Innocent we walked as friends of God.
Still we turned away,
Traded freedom for a life enslaved.

Helpless we were lost,
Heaven sent the rescue plan of God.
Through the love of Christ,
We are found and born into new life.

*We are watching, we are waiting,
We are hoping, we are praying,
We're believing, let your kingdom come.*

*Father in heaven, your name is holy,
Yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory
God of salvation, unfold your story
Yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory.
Amen*

King of endless love,
Here on earth just as in heaven above.
Let your will be done,
Wake our hearts and let your kingdom come.

Last chorus:
*Yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
For ever and ever. Amen*

My hope is built on nothing less

Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.,
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust is Jesus' name.

*Christ alone, Cornerstone,
Weak made strong in the Saviour's love.
Through the storm he is Lord,
Lord of all.*

When darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil.

When he shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh, may I then in Him be found;
Dressed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless, stand before the throne.