

NEWS FROM THE PEWS at All Souls

MAY 24, 2026

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The Day of Pentecost

11 am

Holy Eucharist

The Rev. Sara Palmer, Rector

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we welcome you!

All are welcome to receive
Holy Communion at the Lord's table.

Today's Readings

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Will Stewart

Psalm 104:25-35, 37

Sung by the choir

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1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

Dee Snyder

The Gospel

John 7:37-39

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ANNUAL MEETING RECAP

from Lisa Watson, Sr. Warden

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FAITH FORUM

resumes in September.

*Thank you to all who have
participated this past year.*

MOTHER SARA WILL BE ON HOLIDAY MAY 25—JUNE 14

There will be a priest on call for emergencies the entire time. Simply ring the office at 202-232-4244, ext. 2 and Andrea can assist you.

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The Washington Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for:

Seabury Resources for Aging, Friendship Terrace
St. Mary's Court, Collington Episcopal Life Care Community
Pray for all Seniors and their Ministries in the Church

For those who are sick or in need, we pray especially for: Will Dawson's grandmother, Sally Cliff, Haiti, Palestine, Israel, Iran, Ukraine, South Sudan; all children everywhere; all victims of gun violence;

For safety, especially for: Chris Dalton who is working in the Congo and is the husband of The Rev. Michael Drell. We pray for all those affected by the Ebola outbreak that it might be stopped.

For those who have died: that their souls and the souls of all the faithfully departed may rest in peace;

We give thanks for: the celebration of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles on this feast day of Pentecost.

Email Andrea@allsoulsdc.org to submit a prayer request.

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CELEBRATION OF LIFE for RICHARD SELF June 22, 10:30 am at All Souls

The funeral of Richard Self, husband of Tracey Self will be held at All Souls on Monday, June 22 at 10:30 am. All are invited and a reception will follow in the Undercroft.

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GOD'S GRANDEUR

The world is charged with the grandeur of God.

It will flame out, like shining from shook foil;

It gathers to a greatness, like the ooze of oil

Crushed. Why do men then now not reck his rod?

Generations have trod, have trod, have trod;

And all is seared with trade; bleared, smeared with toil;

And wears man's smudge and shares man's smell: the soil
Is bare now, nor can foot feel, being shod.

And for all this, nature is never spent;

There lives the dearest freshness deep down things;

And though the last lights off the black West went

Oh, morning, at the brown brink eastward, springs —

Because the Holy Ghost over the bent

World broods with warm breast and with ah! bright wings.

Gerald Manley Hopkins 1844–1889

"GOD'S GRANDEUR" is a Petrarchan sonnet by Gerard Manley Hopkins that illuminates the interplay between divine beauty and human corruption. The poem opens with the assertion that God has imbued the world with a magnificent grandeur, likening it to a powerful force that is palpable and ever-present.

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