

# Sunday Morning 10.00 am Service

## 28 May 2023 - Pentecost

### Welcome

### Prayer

The Spirit is here among us within us, around us, between us.

The Spirit is here to strengthen us

bringing courage, bringing conviction.

The Spirit is here to move us, making us sing and praise.

The Spirit is here.

**May we feel the Spirit as we gather.**

**May we be fed by the Spirit's fiery strength.**

**May we be emboldened by the Spirit's powerful wind.**

We gather in the Spirit's arms to be nurtured as we worship.

And may our worship fill us with the Spirit

as we go back out into our daily lives.

### Song: Send the Fire

O God of burning cleansing flame, send the fire

Your blood-bought gift today we claim, send the fire today

Look down and see this waiting host

And send the promised Holy Ghost

We need another Pentecost

Send the fire today, send the fire today

God of Elijah hear our cry, send the fire

And make us fit to live or die, send the fire today

To burn up ev'ry trace of sin

To bring the light and glory in

The revolution now begin

Send the fire today, send the fire today

It's fire we want for fire we plead, send the fire

The fire will meet our ev'ry need, send the fire today

For strength to always do what's right

For grace to conquer in the fight  
For pow'r to walk the world in white  
Send the fire today, send the fire today

To make our weak hearts strong and brave, send the fire  
To live a dying world to save, send the fire today  
Oh see us on Your altar lay  
We give our lives to You today  
So crown the off'ring now we pray  
Send the fire today, send the fire today, send the fire today

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### **Song: Pentecost Prayer**

When this earth was created,  
It was God who spoke the word and it was done,  
Gave his warmth to the cold earth;  
All was new and all was young – Time had begun.  
**Make me warm when I am cold, make me young when I am old,  
Move me, touch me inside, let your love burn in me now.**

If I'm rough, make me gentle,  
If my words are hard and sharp, soften this heart.  
If I'm weak, make me stronger;  
Let me look to you for strength to make a new start.

If I'm deaf, break the silence,  
If I'm blinded by the dark, give me your light.  
If I'm lame and I stumble  
Let me take your hand again and hold it so tight.

If you speak, let me hear you,  
Help me recognise your voice everywhere.  
If you pass, let me see you,  
Help me to know the face is yours, help me to care.

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## **Puppets (Grandma & Toby)**

### **Bible Reading: Acts 2:1-18 (Ingrid)**

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!"

Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?" Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine." Then 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. These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

"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. Even on my servants, both men and women,

I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy.

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## **Message**

## **The Apostles Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;  
from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy universal Church, the  
communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
The resurrection of the body, And the life everlasting. Amen.**

## **Song: Holy Spirit, living Breath of God**

Holy Spirit, living Breath of God  
Breathe new life into my willing soul  
Let the presence of the risen Lord  
Come renew my heart and make me whole  
Cause Your word to come alive in me  
Give me faith for what I cannot see  
Give me passion for Your purity  
Holy Spirit breathe new life in me

Holy Spirit come abide within  
May Your joy be seen in all I do  
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin  
In each thought and deed and attitude  
Kindness to the greatest and the least  
Gentleness that sows the path of peace  
Turn my strivings into works of grace  
Breath of God show Christ in all I do

Holy Spirit from creation's birth  
Giving life to all that God has made

Show Your power once again on earth  
Cause Your church to hunger for Your ways  
Let the fragrance of our pray'rs arise  
Lead us on the road of sacrifice  
That in unity the face of Christ  
May be clear for all the world to see

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### **Offering Prayer**

In the offering of our gifts, as well as the living of our days, may we not grow weary of doing what is right, but commit to speaking up for the voiceless, healing the broken, feeding the hungry, and all those mercies which are such a part of your heart and hopes for all your children. In Jesus' name, we pray. **Amen.**

### **Prayer of Confession**

In penitence and faith let us confess our sins to Almighty God

**Merciful God, our maker and our judge,**

**We have sinned against you in thought, word and deed:**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart,**

**We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves;**

**We repent and are sorry for all our sins.**

**Father, forgive us.**

**Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life;**

**Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

### **Declaration of forgiveness:**

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith, pardon us and set us free from all our sins, strengthen us to do his will, and keep us in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord Amen.

### **Prayers for the Church and our World (Sue)**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father in Heaven, Hallowed be your name,  
Your kingdom come, Your will be done**

**On earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins  
As we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial, And deliver us from evil  
For the kingdom, the power and the glory  
Are yours now and forever. Amen.**

## **The Great Thanksgiving (Metche/Jaq & Nat)**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty creator, ever-living God. We give you thanks and praise for our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us.

By his death on the cross and rising to new life,  
He offered the one true sacrifice for sin  
And obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

Therefore, with angels and archangels,  
And with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, forever praising you and saying:

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

Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation,

This bread and wine and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed, Jesus took bread and when he had given you thanks he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me".

After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, "Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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

Therefore, we do as our Saviour has commanded:

proclaiming his offering of himself  
made once for all upon the cross,  
His mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming again,  
we celebrate, with this bread and this cup,  
His one perfect and sufficient sacrifice  
for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son,  
and bring us with all your people  
into the joy of your eternal kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom,  
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:

**Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours forever and ever. Amen.**

### **The Sending out of God's People**

Gracious God, we thank you that in this sacrament you assure us of your goodness and love.

Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving  
and help us to grow in love and obedience  
that we may serve you in the world  
and finally be brought to that table  
where all your saints feast with you for ever.

Father,

**we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen**

## **Notices**

### **Song: Send us Out**

Send us out in the power of your Spirit,  
to shine your light in the way we live.

Send us out in the power of your Spirit,  
as we've received, may we freely give.

**Send us out, send us out, send us out for your glory.**

**Let all we do be praise to you; send us out for your glory**

Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to show your love everywhere we go.

Send us out in the power of your Spirit,  
Lord, fill us up so we overflow.

We're laying down our lives, a living sacrifice,  
we're living for your glory and your praise.

We're taking up our cross,  
we've counted up the cost,

we're living for your glory and your praise.

## **The Blessing**