10am Sunday Morning Service (O2 T5) 19 May 2024 Pentecost

Welcome

Call to Worship:

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' 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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Multi Age (Sue)

Prayer for Children (Sue)

Bible Reading: John 16.4-15 (Merylin W)

⁴ But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them. "I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵ But now I am going to him who sent me, yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' ⁶ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. ⁷ Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate^[a] will not come to you, but if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸ And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about^[b] sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹ about sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰ about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, and you will see me no longer; ¹¹ about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

¹² "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

Message

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. Who has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy universal and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Offering 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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Thanks for the Offering

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.**

The Confession Heavenly Father, You have loved us with an everlasting love, But we have broken your holy laws And have left undone what we ought to have done. We are sorry for our sins and turn away from them. For the sake of your Son who died for us, Forgive us, cleanse us and change us. By your Holy Spirit, enable us to live for you; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

God is slow to anger and full of compassion, Forgiving all who humbly repent And trust in his Son as Saviour and Lord God therefore forgives us in Christ Jesus, In whom there is no condemnation. **Amen.**

Prayers for the Church and our World (Zilpha)

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 (Zilpha and Karin to assist) 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.

Loving God, We thank you for this world of wonder and delight. You have given it to us to care for, so that all your creatures may enjoy its bounty. Lord our God **We give you thanks and praise**

We thank you that when we turned away from you, You sent Jesus to live and work as one of us and bring us back to you. He showed us how to love you and set us free to love and serve one another. Lord our God,

We give you thanks and praise

We thank you that on the cross Jesus took away all our sin,

All that keeps us from each other and from you.

He frees us from hate and fear, from all that destroys love and trust. Lord our God,

We give you thanks and praise

And so with everyone who believes in you,

With all the saints and angels, we rejoice and praise you, saying:

Holy holy Lord, God of power and might

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

And now we thank you for these gifts of bread and wine;

May we who receive them, as Jesus said,

share the body and his blood.

On the night he was betrayed, he took bread and gave thanks.

He broke the bread and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take and eat, this is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup and gave you thanks. He shared the cup with them and said, "This is my blood poured out so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me."

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

You have gathered us together to feed on Christ

and to remember all he has done for us:

Fill us with your Spirit that we may follow Jesus in all we do and say, working for justice and bringing your peace to this world that you have made.

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

Prayers

Living God, In this holy meal you fill us with new hope.

May the power of your love, Which we have known in word and sacrament, Continue your saving work among us, Give us courage for our pilgrimage, And bring us to the joys you promise.

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.

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The Blessing