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Pentecost



Sunday 31 May 2020

The Eucharist for Pentecost Sunday

Ending the Easter season this 2020

Scottish Episcopal Church

A Liturgy for the Feast of Pentecost

Notes

Pentecost (from the Greek pentekoste, 'fiftieth' of fifty days of celebration) has its roots in the Jewish Feast of Weeks, which was completed on the fiftieth day after Passover. On the fiftieth day of Easter, God sends his Holy Spirit to empower the Church to perform the mission which the risen Christ has entrusted to it; and he inaugurates the messianic community of perfect communication. Pentecost celebrates both the Holy Spirit and the Christian Church. It was originally the crown and completion of the Easter season; only later, in the medieval West, did it become a new festival season of its own. After the Easter Vigil, the time of Pentecost was a preferred occasion for baptism in early Christian centuries, and the services of Pentecost also reflect this baptismal theme. Christ's disciples are born again of water and the spirit. There is some evidence that the ascension was first celebrated on the fiftieth day of Easter, but it was soon moved to the fortieth day in faithfulness to Luke's chronology. Ascension and Pentecost are closely linked. The risen Lord is no longer present to the Church in the body of his flesh; the Church is now to be the new body of Christ, filled with his life through the gift of the Spirit.

The Sunday after Pentecost came to be kept in the West as Trinity Sunday, although it was not prescribed as a universal feast until 1334. In a sense, every feast must be a festival of the Trinity, because the whole Trinity is at work in every moment of creation, redemption and sanctification; but Trinity Sunday provides a particular occasion to reflect on the revelation of God's self as Trinity, immediately after the Great Fifty Days of Easter. The numbering of the following Sundays 'after Trinity' continues the practice of The Book of Common Prayer.

from <https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/worship-texts-and-resources/common-worship/churchs-year/times-and-seasons/easter#mmm225>

before the service Thy Kingdom Come Hymn – 2020 Anthem from <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CWhL6v8oQZ0>

The Liturgy for Pentecost Sunday

Opening Hymn: The Spirit lives to set us free from
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dnt4ST8HGQA>

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Grace and peace to you from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Introduction

Jesus Christ, whom we worship, is our crucified, risen and ascended Lord and we have walked with him through his journey of love. We have faced the agony of his suffering and death on a cross. We have rejoiced at his bursting free from the bonds of death. We have enjoyed his risen presence with us and his revelation of himself through the breaking of bread. We have seen his return to the throne before which every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that this Jesus is Lord. And now, with the followers of his own time, we await the coming of the promised Holy Spirit, his gift to his people, through whom we make Christ known to the world.

Responsory

As we wait in silence, **fill us with your Spirit.**

As we listen to your word, **fill us with your Spirit.**

As we worship you in majesty, **fill us with your Spirit.**

As we long for your refreshing, **fill us with your Spirit.**

As we long for your renewing, **fill us with your Spirit.**

As we long for your equipping, **fill us with your Spirit.**

As we long for your empowering, **fill us with your Spirit.**

Silence is kept.

The Pentecost Reading – acted out in Lego from

www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ww-0sCm0ge4

based on reading from the Acts of the Apostles (2.1-21)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

1 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. 2 And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. 3 Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. 4 All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. 5 Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. 6 And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. 7 Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? 8 And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? 9 Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, 11 Cretans and Arabs – in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' 12 All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' 13 But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' 14 But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. 15 Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. 16 No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 17 "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. 18 Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. 19 And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. 20 The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. 21 Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

The reader says

The Lord is here. **His Spirit is with us.**

Prayer for Personal Renewal

Prayer for personal renewal and anointing may be offered here. Oil of Chrism may be used.

*Oil may be brought forward, the bearer saying **Oil for the renewal of God's people.***

Be with us, Spirit of God;
nothing can separate us from your love.

Breathe on us, breath of God;
fill us with your saving power.

Speak in us, wisdom of God;
bring strength, healing, and peace.



Because in lockdown we cannot receive the anointing we pray in silence for one another in our homes, as we hold out our hands and pray for ourselves that God may anoint us afresh this Pentecost.

Music: Come Holy Ghost from

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IjdMWFrd4Vo>

silence

Let us bless the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
Let us praise and bless God for ever.

GLORIA from the setting Christ Light of the Nations used at St Margarets

COLLECT OF THE DAY

**Almighty and everliving God,
who fulfilled the promises of Easter
by sending us your Holy Spirit
and opening to every race and nation
the way of life eternal:
keep us in the unity of your Spirit,
that every tongue may tell of your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with
you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Responsorial PSALM Psalm 104.25–35, 37



**Response: Send forth your Spirit, O Lord,
and renew the face of the earth.**

25 O Lord, how manifold are your works! in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

**Send forth your Spirit, O Lord,
and renew the face of the earth.**

26 Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number, creatures both small and great. 27 There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, which you have made for the sport of it.

**Send forth your Spirit, O Lord,
and renew the face of the earth.**

28 All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.

29 You give it to them, they gather it; you open your hand and they are filled with good things. 30 You hide your face and they are terrified; you take away their breath and they die and return to their dust.

Send forth your Spirit, O Lord,

and renew the face of the earth.

31 You send forth your Spirit and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth. 32 May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; may the Lord rejoice in all his works. 33 He looks at the earth and it trembles; he touches the mountains and they smoke.

**Send forth your Spirit, O Lord,
and renew the face of the earth.**

34 I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being. 35 May these words of mine please him;

I will rejoice in the Lord. 37 Bless the Lord, O my soul. Alleluia!

**Send forth your Spirit, O Lord,
and renew the face of the earth.**

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 12.3b–13

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

No one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit. 4 Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; 5 and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; 6 and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. 7 To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. 8 To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, 10 to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. 11 All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. 12 For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. 13 For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body – Jews or Greeks, slaves or free – and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

For the word of the Lord **THANKS BE TO GOD**

Gradual Hymn: Come down O love divine from

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zXO4rqBQOAU>

GOSPEL John 20.19–23

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

Glory to Christ our Saviour

It was evening on the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' 20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. 21 Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' 22 When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

Praise to Christ our Lord.

SERMON – The Rev'd David Gifford the Convenor of the Renfrewshire Region in the Scottish Episcopal Church

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 substance with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
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.
With the Father and the Son, he is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic 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.**

INTERCESSIONS

We use the vesicle & response

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

At the end of the intercessions we say:

Generous God, you sent your Holy Spirit upon
your Messiah at the river Jordan,
and upon the disciples in the upper room:

**in your mercy fill us with your Spirit,
hear our prayer, and make us one in heart and mind
to serve you with joy for ever. Amen.**



PEACE music **Peace be with you** by Adrian Snell from <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dGb5NniVFdw>

God has made us one in Christ.

He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come,
has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia. *cf 2 Corinthians 1.22*

We meet in Christ's name

let us share his peace.

Alleluia alleluia! The peace of the Lord be always with you

And also with you Alleluia Alleluia!

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Offertory Hymn: If I were a butterfly from <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JwrkAzaRfYM>

OFFERING

Let us present our offerings to the Lord.

**Yours, Lord, is the greatness,
the power, the glory,
the splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth
is yours. All things come from you,
and of your own we give you.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

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 God thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and everlasting God,
through Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord.

This day we give you thanks
because in fulfilment of your promise
you pour out your Spirit upon us,
filling us with your gifts, leading us into all truth,
and uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one
faith.

Your Spirit gives us grace to call you Father,
to proclaim your gospel to all nations
and to serve you as a royal priesthood.

Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels,
and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells,
to proclaim the glory of your name,
for ever praising you and singing:

***we sing* Holy, Holy, Holy**

sung using setting from **Christ Light of the Nations**

Praise and thanksgiving be to you, Lord of all,
for by the Cross eternal life is ours
and death is swallowed up in victory.

In the first light of Easter
glory broke from the tomb
and changed the women's sorrow into joy.

From the Garden the mystery dawned
that he whom they had loved and lost
is with us now
in every place for ever.

Making himself known in the breaking of the bread,
speaking peace to the fearful disciples,
welcoming weary fishermen on the shore,
he renewed the promise of his presence
and of new birth in the Spirit
who sets the seal of freedom on your sons and daughters.
Before he was given up to suffering and death,
recalling the night of Israel's release,
the night in which slaves walked free,
at supper with his disciples
he took bread and offered you thanks.
He broke the bread,
and gave it to them, saying:

*"Take, eat.
This is my Body: it is broken for you."*

After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks,
and gave it to them saying:

*"Drink this, all of you.
This is my Blood of the new covenant;
it is poured out for you, and for all,
that sins may be forgiven.
Do this in remembrance of me."*

**We now obey your Son's command.
We recall his blessed passion and death,
his glorious resurrection and ascension;
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.
Made one with him, we offer you these gifts
and with them ourselves,
a single, holy, living sacrifice.**

Hear us, most merciful Father,
and send your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon this bread and this wine,
that, overshadowed by his life-giving power,
they may be the Body and Blood of your Son,
and we may be kindled with the fire of your love
and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

**Help us, who are baptised into
the fellowship of Christ's Body
to live and work to your praise and glory;
may we grow together in unity and love
until at last, in your new creation,
we enter into our heritage
in the company of the Virgin Mary,
the apostles and prophets,
and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.**

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be to you,
Lord of all ages,
world without end.

Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The living bread is broken for the life of the world.
Lord, unite us in this sign.

LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour has taught *or* us, so we pray:

**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.
Do not bring us
to the time of trial
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the
power
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

As our Saviour Christ has
commanded and taught us,
we are bold to say:

**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.**

COMMUNION SONG

Lamb of God *sung using setting from* **Christ Light of the Nations**

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

Our Spiritual Communion prayer

We make our Spiritual Communion as we pray privately

God of unending love,
you are present to us in Word and Sacrament.
With all around the world who gather to worship,
I offer you my praise and thanksgiving;
and though I cannot eat the bread of God,
or drink the royal wine of heaven,
I pray that I may know the fountain of your love drench my heart
and your Incarnate presence encompass me behind and before,
that through the power of your Spirit,
I may rejoice in the sure and certain hope
that I abide in your wondrous love now and for all eternity,
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen..

*followed by **If ye love me** (Thomas Tallis) - The King's Singers*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y1WwNSfCom8>

THANKSGIVING AND SENDING OUT

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious.
And his mercy endures for ever.

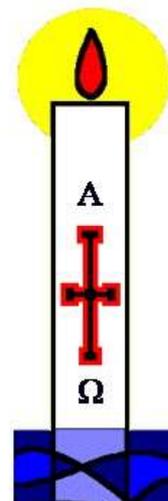
Post Communion Prayer of the day

Father,
may we who have received this eucharist
live in the unity of your Holy Spirit,
that we may show forth his gifts to all the world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Notices — *shout-outs and messages*

Blessing of Light *The ministers go to the Easter Candle.*

Blessed are you, sovereign God, overflowing in love.
With Pentecost dawns the age of the Spirit.
Now the flame of heaven rests on every believer.
Strong and weak,
women and men tell out your word;
the young receive visions, the old receive dreams.
With the new wine of the Spirit
they proclaim your reign of love.
Amid the birth pangs of the new creation
the way of light is made known.
Source of freedom, giver of life,
blessed are you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Blessed be God for ever.



Each member of the congregation has a candle which is lit.

Commission

When all the candles are lit the president says

For fifty days we have celebrated the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ over the powers of sin and death. We have proclaimed God's mighty acts and we have prayed that the power that was at work when God raised Jesus from the dead might be at work in us.



As part of God's Church here in **Renfrewshire**, I call upon you to live out what you proclaim.

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, will you dare to walk into God's future, trusting him to be your guide? **By the Spirit's power, we will.**

Will you dare to embrace each other and grow together in love?
We will.

Will you dare to share your riches in common and minister to each other in need? **We will.**

Will you dare to pray for each other until your hearts beat with the longings of God? **We will.**

Will you dare to carry the light of Christ into the world's dark places? **We will.**

If there are no other services on this feast the Easter Candle is extinguished in silence.

Conclusion

The Lord is here. **His Spirit is with us.**

Today we have remembered the coming of God's power on the disciples and we invite that same Spirit to drive us out into the wild places of the world.

Weather permitting, the ministers and people process out of church, or to the back of the church. A hymn may be sung.

Closing hymn: Shine Jesus Shine from
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7OIwSQmyCg4>

May the Spirit, who hovered over the waters when the world was created, breathe into you the life he gives. **Amen.**

May the Spirit, who overshadowed the Virgin when the eternal Son came among us, make you joyful in the service of the Lord. **Amen.**

May the Spirit, who set the Church on fire upon the Day of Pentecost, bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

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

Closing music Toccata on the Pentecost Choral "Der Geist des Herrn" for Organ from <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Iqik1i8DZI>

Outtake song **Holding Out for A Haircut** - Bonnie Tyler Parody from <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rIbCFQL9XEM>

Sister Act - Salve Regina from <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sI8IS8hr-nY>



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We are churches for the diversity of all people in Scotland
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