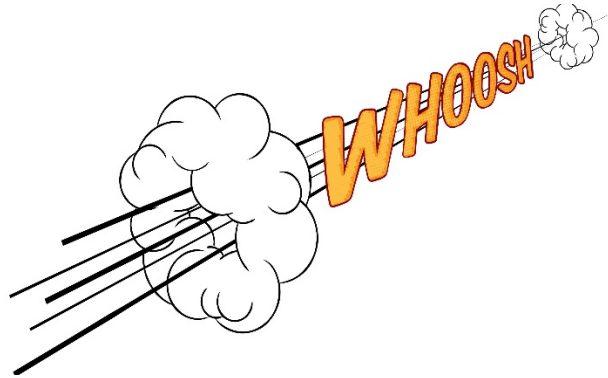


St Andrew's and St George's West

Order of Service, 5 June 2022

Pentecost



Gathering music

Welcome

Call to worship

Come and see, the Holy Spirit is here:
the wild wind who blows away our fears,
the one who remains with us forever.
Come and worship God our maker,
who has sent the Spirit to guide us
and give us comfort.
Come let us worship God,
Parent, Son and Spirit.

Hymn Hail thee, Festival Day!

- 1 *Hail thee, Festival Day!
blest day that art hallowed for ever;
day when the Lord from heaven
shone on the world with his grace.*
- 2 Lo! in the likeness of fire,
on those who await his appearing,
he whom the Lord foretold
suddenly, swiftly, descends.
- 4 Hark! in a hundred tongues
Christ's own, his chosen apostles,
preach to a hundred tribes
Christ and his wonderful works.

- 5 Praise to the Spirit of life,
all praise to the fount of our being,
light that now lightens all,
life that in all now abides.

Opening Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Amazing God,
you call us today,
just as you called the disciples
on the Day of Pentecost.
You challenge and support us,
revealing the brokenness of our communities;
giving us the peace that our world needs.

Loving God,
Hear the honesty of our hearts as we tell you that we are
sorry for the times we ignore you.
Come, fill us with your Spirit of newness.
Challenge and equip us to live our lives with you at the
centre.

Breath of Life.
help us breathe deeply.
We're not sure we're ready
for your Spirit to blow through our lives;
we're grown comfortable
with our familiar habits,
we're afraid to give up our waking slumber.
Wake us up,
shake us up,
heat us up,
and breathe your life into us.
On this Day of Pentecost,
we pray for the audacity
to ride the winds of change.

**Our Father in heaven.
Hallowed be your name
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us in the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours**

now and forever. Amen.

The Whoosh of Pentecost

Sharing Christ's Peace

Hymn Lord, you sometimes speak in wonders

- 1 Lord, you sometimes speak in wonders,
unmistakable and clear;
mighty signs to prove your presence,
overcoming doubt and fear.
- 2 Lord, you sometimes speak in whispers,
still and small and scarcely heard;
only those who want to listen
catch the all-important word.
- 3 Lord, you sometimes speak in silence,
through our loud and noisy day:
we can know and trust you better
when we quietly wait and pray.
- 4 Lord, you love to speak in Scripture,
words that summon from the page,
shown and taught us by your Spirit
with fresh light for every age.
- 5 Lord, you always speak in Jesus,
always new yet still the same;
teach us now more of our Saviour;
make our lives display his Name.

Scripture Reading Acts 2: 1-11 (spoken in Gaelic/on screen in English)

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. 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. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia

and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.”

Instrumental Lord, you sometimes speak in wonders

Scripture Reading (continued) Gniomharan II, 12-21 (Acts 2: 12-21)

(spoken in English/ on screen in Gaelic)

12. Agus bha iad uile fo uamhas, agus ann an ioma-comhairle, ag ràdh gach aon r’a cheile, Ciod as ciall da so?
13. Ach thubhairt dream eile a’ fanoid, Tha na daoine so làn de fhìon ùr.
14. Ach air seasamh do Pheadar maille ris an aon fhear deug, thog e a ghuth, agus thubhairt e riu, Fheara Iudea, agus sibhse uile a luchd-àiteachaidh Ierusalem, bitheadh fios so agaibh, agus eisdibh ri m’ bhriathraibh-sa:
15. Oir cha-n ‘eil iad so air mhisg, mar tha sibhse a’ meas, oir is i an treas uair de’n là a tha ann.
16. Ach is e so an ni a chaidh a labhairt leis an fhàidh Ioael:
17. Agus tarlaidh anns na làithibh deireannach, arsa Dia, dòirtidh mise de m’ Spiorad air gach uile fheoil; agus ni bhur mic agus bhur nigheanan fàidheadaireachd, agus chi bhur n-òganaich seallannan, agus brudaraidh bhur seann daoine brudaran:
18. Agus dòirtidh mise air m’òglaich, agus air mo bhan-òglaich de m’ Spiorad anns na làithaibh sin; agus ni iad fàidheadaireachd:
19. Agus nochdaidh mise iongantais anns na nèamhan shuas, agus comharan air an talamh a bhos; fuil, agus teine, agus duibh-neul deataich.
20. Iompaichear a’ ghrian gu dorchadas, agus a’ ghealach gu fuil, mu’n tig là mòr agus comharaichte sin an Tighearna:
21. Agus tarlaidh, ge b’e neach a ghairmeas air ainm an Tighearna, gu’n tèarnar e.

‘What does this mean?’

Prayer of dedication

The breath that fills balloons
and the noise as they burst.
The tree crammed into a seed
and the house it will one day become.
The voice that sings a song of freedom
and repeats until the whole world joins the chorus.
The child who has one question to ask: “Why?”
and asks it again and again and again.
The book full of words

waiting to fill an imagination with dreams and
alternative worlds.

The church restless for new shoes
to take her off exploring.

To the possibility,
persistence,
growth,
imagination,
and adventure
of the Spirit,
we dedicate ourselves.

The stuff that makes things happen
is the energy of God –
the Spirit,
moving across the church,

Response: and we will be part of it. Amen

Hymn God's Spirit is here

1. God's Spirit is here
that never alone
the followers of Christ
need face the unknown.
The fount of all living
is leading the dance
dismantling old systems
that earth might advance.
2. She banishes sin,
eradicates fear;
lets hesitant faith
affirm God is here
till, living like Jesus
and blessed by his name,
we wind up the broken
and lift up the lame.
3. She defuses hate
and raises the dead,
becalming life's storms,
removing all dread.
So that we might serve God
confirmed from above,
she tests us with fire
and aflames us with love.
4. So, seek out the lost
and share out the pain,

and love at such cost
that all rise again.
God's lamp-lighting spirit
is dancing the way
from dark into dawning,
from night into day.

'See I make all things new'

General Assembly 2022

Response

**We are no longer our own, but yours.
Put us with what you will,
rank us with whom you will;
put us to doing, put us to be idle;
let us be employed for you,
or laid aside for you,
exalted for you or brought low for you;
let us be full, let us be empty;
let us have all things, let us have nothing;
we freely and wholeheartedly
yield all things
to your pleasure and disposal.**

Prayers of the People

Response

**Leader: Lord in your mercy
All: hear our prayer**

Hymn There's a spirit in the air

- 1 There's a spirit in the air,
telling Christians everywhere :
'Praise the love that Christ revealed,
living, working in our world !'
- 2 Lose your shyness, find your tongue,
tell the world what God has done :
God in Christ has come to stay.
Live tomorrow's life today !
- 5 When a stranger's not alone,
where the homeless find a home,
praise the love that Christ revealed,
living, working, in our world.
- 6 May the Spirit fill our praise,
guide our thoughts and change our ways.
God in Christ has come to stay.
Live tomorrow's life today !

Sending and blessing

Spirit of wind and fire,
Spirit of mystery and promise,
Spirit of God, our Helper,
blow at our backs,
breathe in our hearts,
be the energy for all we do
to spread love and justice.

Threefold Amen

Sending music

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