

**Broughton St Mary's, Greenside, and St Andrew's and St George's  
West Churches**

**Order of Service, 28th May 2023**

'Back to the Future – the Church of Pentecost'



**Gathering music**

**Introit Come Holy Spirit** John Bell (*Words at Hymn 589*)

**Welcome**

**Call to worship**

May the glory of the LORD endure forever;  
**may the LORD rejoice in his works—**  
who looks on the earth and it trembles,  
**who touches the mountains and they smoke.**

I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;  
I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

**May my meditation be pleasing to him,  
for I rejoice in the LORD.** *(from Psalm 104)*

**Hymn 608** Spirit of truth and grace

## Opening Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

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.

## Sharing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you  
and also with you

**Hymn 565** My life flows on in endless song

## Scripture Readings (NRSV)

### Acts 2: 1-21

**2** 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 people 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, "Fellow Jews 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.  
<sup>18</sup> Even upon my slaves, both men and women,  
in those days I will pour out my Spirit,  
and they shall prophesy.  
<sup>19</sup> And I will show portents in the heaven above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.  
<sup>20</sup> The sun shall be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood,  
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.  
<sup>21</sup> Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

**Anthem Come, Holy Ghost, the Maker come** Orlando Gibbons

**Acts 2: 42-47**

<sup>42</sup> They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

<sup>43</sup> Awe came upon everyone because many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. <sup>44</sup> All who believed were together and had all things in common; <sup>45</sup> they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. <sup>46</sup> Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, <sup>47</sup> praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

**Hymn 595** O Breath of life, come sweeping through us

**Reflection**

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**Hymn Songs of God's People 13** Bind us together, Lord

**Prayers of the People**

**Hymn 740** (vv. 1,2,4,7,8) For all the saints, who from their labours rest

**Sending and blessing**

**Sending music**

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