

## Hymns and Readings for 9:30am Worship

### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May -Pentecost Sunday

#### Collect for Pentecost Sunday

God, who as at this time  
taught the hearts of your faithful  
people  
by sending to them the light of  
your Holy Spirit:  
grant us by the same Spirit  
to have a right judgement in all  
things  
and evermore to rejoice in his  
holy comfort;  
through the merits of Christ  
Jesus our Saviour,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

#### Prayer for after communion:

Faithful 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:  
open our lips by your Spirit,  
that every tongue may tell of  
your glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

#### 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 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?' <sup>13</sup> But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

<sup>14</sup> 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. <sup>15</sup> Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup> No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup> "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."

### **John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15**

<sup>26</sup> 'When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. <sup>27</sup> You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

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

<sup>12</sup> 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup> 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. <sup>14</sup> He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup> All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

### **Opening Hymn: Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire**

*(SOLO) Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,*  
**and lighten with celestial fire  
thou the anointing Spirit art,  
who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart;**

**Thy blessed unction from above  
Is comfort, life, and fire of love;  
enable with perpetual light  
the dullness of our blinded sight:**

**Anoint and cheer our soiled face  
with the abundance of thy grace:  
keep far our foes, give peace at home;  
when thou art guide no ill can come.**

**Teach us to know the Father, Son,  
and thee, of both, to be but One;  
that through the ages all along  
this may be our endless song,**

**Praise to thy eternal merit,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
Amen.**

### **Hymn after The Peace: Holy Spirit, living breath of God**

**Holy Spirit, living breath of God,  
breathe new life into my willing soul.  
Bring the presence of the risen Lord  
to 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 every 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.  
May the fragrance of our prayers arise;  
lead us on the road of sacrifice,  
that in unity the face of Christ  
may be clear for all the world to see.**

### **Final Hymn: Come down, O love divine**

**Come down O love divine,  
seek thou this soul of mine,  
and visit it with thine own  
ardour glowing;  
O Comforter, draw near,  
within my heart appear,  
and kindle it, thy holy flame  
bestowing.**

**O let it freely burn,  
till earthly passions turn  
to dust and ashes in its heat  
consuming;  
and let thy glorious light  
shine ever on my sight,  
and clothe me round, the while  
my path illuming.**

**Let holy charity  
mine outward vesture be,  
and lowliness become mine  
inner clothing;  
true lowliness of heart,  
which takes the humbler part,  
and o'er its own shortcomings  
weeps with loathing.**

**And so the yearning strong,  
with which the soul will long,  
shall far outpass the power of  
human telling;  
for none can guess its grace,  
till he become the place  
wherein the Holy Spirit makes  
his dwelling.**