

# The Liturgy of the Feast of Pentecost

*At the entry of the ministers a hymn may be sung.*

*The president may say*

In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**All Amen.**

## The Greeting

*The president greets the people*

Grace, mercy and peace  
from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**All And also with you.**

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**All He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

HYMN

**Breathe on me, Breath of God**

Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
fill me with life anew,  
that I may love what thou dost love,  
and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
until my heart is pure,  
until with thee I will one will,  
to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
till I am wholly thine,  
till all this earthly part of me  
glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
so shall I never die,  
but live with thee the perfect life  
of thine eternity.

## Introduction

### *The president introduces the service*

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,

**All fill us with your Spirit.**

As we listen to your word,

**All fill us with your Spirit.**

As we worship you in majesty,

**All fill us with your Spirit.**

As we long for your refreshing,

**All fill us with your Spirit.**

As we long for your renewing,

**All fill us with your Spirit.**

As we long for your equipping,

**All fill us with your Spirit.**

As we long for your empowering,

**All fill us with your Spirit.**

*Silence is kept.*

## **The Pentecost Reading**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (2.1-13)

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 nation 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.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What

does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

*The reader says*

The Lord is here.

**All His Spirit is with us.**

## **Prayer for Personal Renewal**

*The president says*

Be with us, Spirit of God;

**All nothing can separate us from your love.**

Breathe on us, breath of God;

**All fill us with your saving power.**

Speak in us, wisdom of God;

**All bring strength, healing, and peace.**

## **Gloria in Excelsis**

**All Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,**

**we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,**

**Lord God, Lamb of God,**

**you take away the sin of the world:**

**have mercy on us;**

**you are seated at the right hand of the Father:**

**receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,**

you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.

## The Collect

*The president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words*

Let us pray that the Spirit will work through our lives  
to bring Christ to the world.

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,  
ignite in us your holy fire;  
strengthen your children with the gift of faith,  
revive your Church with the breath of love,  
and renew the face of the earth,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* Amen.



## *The Liturgy of the Word*

### Gospel Reading (Frank)

Alleluia, alleluia.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people

and kindle in them the fire of your love.

**All Alleluia.**

*When the Gospel is announced the reader says*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the end*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **Sermon**

## **The Creed**

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**and peace to his people on earth.**

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**with the Holy Spirit,**

**in the glory of God the Father.**

Amen.

## Prayers of Intercession ( )

# ¶ *The Liturgy of the Sacrament*

## Preparation of the Table

## Taking of the Bread and Wine

### *Hymn*

*A new commandment I give unto you:  
That you love one another as I have loved you.  
That you love one another as I have loved you.*

By this shall all men know that you are My disciples  
If you have love one for another.  
By this shall all men know that you are My disciples  
If you have love one for another. *Refrain*

Love is patient and love is full of kindness.  
Do not envy others, never be boastful.  
Love is patient and love is full of kindness.  
Do not envy others, never be boastful. *Refrain*

Protect your love with charity and goodness,  
Do not be proud or self-seeking.  
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Delight in the love of truth, but not dishonour.  
While time goes by love never fails you.

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*The gifts of the people may be gathered and presented.  
The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.*

Blessed be God,  
who feeds the hungry,  
who raises the poor,  
who fills our praise.

**All Blessed be God for ever.**

*The president takes the bread and wine.*

## **The Eucharistic Prayer**

The Lord is here.

**All His Spirit is with us.**

Lift up your hearts.

**All We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All It is right to give 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 *saying*:

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord,**

**God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**[Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.]**

How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord.

As a mother tenderly gathers her children,

you embraced a people as your own.

When they turned away and rebelled

your love remained steadfast.

From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary,

to be the living bread,

in whom all our hungers are satisfied.

He offered his life for sinners,

and with a love stronger than death

he opened wide his arms on the cross.

On the night before he died,

he came to supper with his friends

and, taking bread, he gave you thanks.

He broke it and gave it to them, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,  
he gave you thanks, and said:  
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**All Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

**You are the Saviour of the world.**

Father, we plead with confidence  
his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross;  
we remember his dying and rising in glory,  
and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.  
Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you  
these gifts of your creation;

may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.  
As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence,  
form us in the likeness of Christ,  
and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Remember, Lord, your Church in every land.  
Reveal her unity, guard her faith,  
and preserve her in peace

Bring us at the last with all the saints  
to the vision of that eternal splendour  
for which you have created us;  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,  
by whom, with whom, and in whom,  
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,  
we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

**All Blessing and honour and glory and power  
be yours for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**All 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.**

## **Breaking of the Bread**

*The president breaks the consecrated bread.*

We break this bread  
to share in the body of Christ.

**All** Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.

## **Giving of Communion**

*The president says this or another invitation to communion*

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

**All** Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

## **AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

My Jesus,  
I believe that You  
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment  
receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already  
there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from  
You.  
Amen.

## Prayer after Communion

*Silence is kept.*

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.

*All Amen.*

*All may say one of the prayers here.*

 *The Dismissal* ↑

## Commission

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 *N*, 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?

*All By the Spirit's power, we will.*

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

*All We will.*

Will you dare to share your riches in common and minister to each other  
in need?

*All* **We will.**

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

*All* **We will.**

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

*All* **We will.**

## **Conclusion**

*The president says*

The Lord is here.

*All* **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.

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

*All* **Amen.**

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

*All* **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.

*All* **Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

be among you and remain with you always.

**All Amen.**

*A minister says*

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

**All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## Hymn

Will You Come And Follow Me  
If I But Call Your Name?  
Will You Go Where You Don't Know  
And Never Be The Same?  
Will You Let My Love Be Shown,  
Will You Let My Name Be Known,  
Will You Let My Life Be Grown  
In You And You In Me?

Will You Leave Yourself Behind  
If I But Call Your Name?  
Will You Care For Cruel And Kind  
And Never Be The Same?  
Will You Risk The Hostile Stare  
Should Your Life Attract Or Scare?  
Will You Let Me Answer Prayer  
In You And You In Me?

Will You Let The Blinded See  
If I But Call Your Name?  
Will You Set The Prisoners Free  
And Never Be The Same?  
Will You Kiss The Leper Clean,  
And Do Such As This Unseen,  
And Admit To What I Mean  
In You And You In Me?

Will You Love The 'You' You Hide  
If I But Call Your Name?  
Will You Quell The Fear Inside  
And Never Be The Same?  
Will You Use The Faith You've Found

To Reshape The World Around,  
Through My Sight And Touch And Sound  
In You And You In Me?

Lord, Your Summons Echoes True  
When You But Call My Name.  
Let Me Turn And Follow You  
And Never Be The Same.  
In Your Company I'll Go  
Where Your Love And Footsteps Show.