

A SIMPLE EUCHARIST FOR PENTECOST

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THE GREETING

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.

Please turn over for the first hymn

HYMN: COME DOWN, O LOVE DIVINE

recorded remotely by the Choral Scholars of St Martin-in-the-Fields in their homes, and edited together.

- 1 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.

- 2 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.

- 3 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.

- 4 And so the yearning strong,
 With which the soul will long,
 Shall far surpass the power of human telling;
 For none can guess its grace,
 Till he become the place
 Wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

Discendi, amor santo

BIANCO DA SIENA (*died* 1434)

translated RICHARD FREDERICK LITTLEDALE (1833-1890)

WAITING ON GOD

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Silence is kept.

THE PENTECOST READING: ACTS 2. 1 - 21

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples 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.' 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. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'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.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us

PERUVIAN GLORIA

- 1 Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to the Father.
Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to the Father.
To God be glory for ever.
To God be glory for ever.
Alleluia, amen.
Alleluia, amen,
alleluia, amen,
alleluia, amen.

- 2 Glory to God, glory to God,
Son of the Father.
Glory to God, glory to God,
Son of the Father.
To him be glory for ever.
To him be glory for ever.
Alleluia, amen.
Alleluia, amen,
alleluia, amen,
alleluia, amen.

- 3 Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to the Spirit.
Glory to God, glory to God,
glory to the Spirit.
To him be glory for ever.
To him be glory for ever.
Alleluia, amen.
Alleluia, amen,
alleluia, amen,
alleluia, amen.

Collected by JOHN BALLANTINE (born 1945)
from Anonymous Peruvian

THE COLLECT

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.

GOSPEL READING: JOHN 7. 37–39**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia.

All Alleluia.

There are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit;
by the one Spirit we were all baptised into one body.

All Alleluia.

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, 'Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

REFLECTION

ANTHEM: SPIRIT OF THE LORD, COME DOWN

Music by John Harper

- 1 Spirit of the Lord, come down,
Spreading your protective wing
Over all that you have made.
Over every living thing.

- 2 Come in storm-wind, cleansing fire,
Sweeping through a world unclean;
Come in every gentle breeze:
Breath of God, unheard, unseen.

- 3 Holy Spirit, blessed Light,
Guide and strengthen mind and will;
Comfort every grieving heart,
And our inmost being fill.

- 4 Through the Father and the Son,
By whose blood our life was bought,
Fill our empty hands with gifts:
Come with grace unearned, unsought.

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An Affirmation of Faith

Let us declare our faith in God.

**All We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and earth is named.
We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.
We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen**

PRAYERS

We pray for God to fill us with his Spirit.
Lord, come to bless us.

All Fill us with your Spirit.

Generous God, we thank you for the power of your Holy Spirit.
We pray for the witness of the church during these difficult times.
We ask that we may be strengthened to serve you better.
Lord, come to bless us.

All Fill us with your Spirit.

We thank you for the wisdom of your Holy Spirit.
We pray for an openness to hear your voice.
We ask you to make us wise to understand your will.
Lord, come to bless us.

All Fill us with your Spirit.

We thank you for the peace of your Holy Spirit.
We pray for that peace to be shared with others.
We ask you to keep us confident of your love, wherever you call us.
Lord, come to bless us.

All Fill us with your Spirit.

We thank you for the healing of your Holy Spirit.
We pray for an outpouring of your mercy and compassion.
We ask you to bring reconciliation and wholeness, where there is sickness and sorrow.
Lord, come to bless us.

All Fill us with your Spirit.

We thank you for the gifts of your Holy Spirit.
We pray for the coming of your kingdom in our midst.
We ask you to equip us for the work which you have given us.
Lord, come to bless us.

All Fill us with your Spirit.

We thank you for the fruit of your Holy Spirit.
We pray for grace to be transformed into your likeness day by day.
We ask you to reveal in our lives the love of Jesus.
Lord, come to bless us.

All Fill us with your Spirit.

We thank you for the breath of your Holy Spirit,
given by the risen Lord.
We ask you to keep the whole Church
in the joy of eternal life.
Lord, come to bless us.

**All Fill us with your Spirit.
Amen.**

THE PEACE

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 us the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

HYMN: BE STILL, FOR THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD

- 1 Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here;
 come bow before Him now with reverence and fear.
 in Him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground;
 be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here.

- 2 Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around;
 He burns with holy fire, with splendour He is crowned.
 How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of light!
 Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.

- 3 Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place;
 He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister His grace.
 No work too hard for Him, in faith receive from Him;
 be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

DAVID J EVANS (born 1957)

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THE EUCHARIST

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 the 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.**

We praise and bless you, loving Father,
 through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
 and as we obey his command,
 send your Holy Spirit,
 that broken bread and wine outpoured
 may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died
 he had supper with his friends
 and, taking bread, he praised you.
 He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:
 Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
 do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.
 Again he praised you,
 gave it to them 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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
 in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
 made once for all upon the cross.
 Bringing before you the bread of life
 and cup of salvation,
 we proclaim his death and resurrection
 until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith:
All Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.

Lord of all life,
 help us to work together for that day
 when your kingdom comes
 and justice and mercy
 will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people,
 gather us in your loving arms
 and bring us with all the saints
 to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,
 for ever and ever.

All Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Being made one by the power of the Spirit,
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**All 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.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Every time we eat this bread
and drink this cup,
**All we proclaim the Lord's death
until he comes.**

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
All Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Body of Christ given for us all.

The Blood of Christ poured out for us all.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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.

HYMN: HOLY SPIRIT, LIVING BREATH OF GOD

- 1 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.

- 2 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.

- 3 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.

KEITH GETTY (born 1974)
 and STUART TOWNEND (born 1963)

BLESSING

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,
through the power of the Holy Spirit;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit
be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Filled with the Spirit's power,
go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All In the name of Christ.
Amen.**