

Grace Lutheran Church Redcliffe Service Order for 5th June <u>Pentecost</u>



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

LORD God: thank You for this day of Pentecost when we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit. Come and make our souls the temple of Your Spirit that we may be a people who proclaim Your hope and love into this world; in Jesus' name. Amen.

OPENING SENTENCE: Acts 2:17

God says: "In the last days I will pour out My Spirit on all kinds of people.

Your sons and daughters will prophesy. Your young men will see visions, and your old men will dream dreams."

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

LHS 125: Come, gracious Spirit, heavenly dove (click here)

Come, gracious Spirit, heavenly dove, with light and comfort from above; come be our guardian and our guide, o'er every thought and step preside.

The light of truth to us display, and make us know and choose Your way; plant holy fear in every heart, that we from God may not depart.

Lead us to Christ, the living way, nor let us from His pastures stray; lead us to holiness, the road that we must take to dwell with God.

Lead us to heaven, that we may share fullness of joy for ever there; lead us to God, our final rest, to be with Him for ever blest.

Simon Browne (1680-1732) and others

CONFESSION

Let us draw near to God our Father with a true heart to confess our sins, and ask Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

> LORD, You have sent us the Spirit of love; where we have not loved others as You have loved us. forgive us, LORD,

You have sent us the Spirit of joy; where we have taken Your gifts for granted and been ungrateful. forgive us, LORD,

You have sent us the Spirit of peace, where we have allowed our selfishness to cause division and disharmony. forgive us, LORD,

You have sent us the Spirit of patience, where we have been impatient with others, and doubted Your love. forgive us, LORD,

You have sent us the Spirit of kindness; where we have been indifferent to other people's needs. forgive us, LORD,

You have sent us the Spirit of goodness; where we have thoughtlessly or deliberately done wrong. forgive us, LORD,

You have sent us the Spirit of faithfulness; where we have been fickle as disciples of Christ. forgive us, LORD,

You have sent us the Spirit of gentleness; where we have been insensitive to the feelings of others. forgive us, LORD,

You have sent us the Spirit of self-control; where we have lived without disciplining ourselves. forgive us, LORD,

Almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor helpless sinner, confess to You all my sins, and repent of all the evil I have done. I have deeply displeased You and deserve Your punishment in time and in eternity. But I am sorry for my sins, and I ask You, for the sake of the holy innocent sufferings and death of Your dear Son Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me. Amen. Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy on us, and has given His only Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in His name He has given the right to become children of God, and has given them His Holy Spirit. Whoever believes and is baptised will be saved. Grant this, Lord, to us all. **Amen.**

PSALM: From Psalm 104

 ²⁴ How many are Your works, LORD! In wisdom You made them all; the earth is full of Your creatures.
 You send Your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

²⁷ All creatures look to You to give them their food at the proper time. ²⁸ When You give it to them, they gather it up; when You open Your hand, they are satisfied with good things.

You send Your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

 ²⁹ When You hide Your face, they are terrified; when You take away their breath, they die and return to the dust.
 ³⁰ When you send Your Spirit, they are created, and You renew the face of the ground.
 You send Your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

 ³³ I will sing to the LORD all my life;
 I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.
 ³⁴ May my meditation be pleasing to Him, as I rejoice in the LORD. ^{35b} Hallelujah!
 You send Your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

Glory to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray for the power of the Holy Spirit.

Almighty and merciful God, You sent your Holy Spirit at Pentecost, making the disciples bold to preach the good news. Send us out with the power of the same Spirit to spread the fire of Your love. We ask this through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

BIBLE READING

FIRST READING: Acts 2:1-21 The coming of the Holy Spirit

¹When the day of Pentecost came, all the believers were gathered together in one place. ²Suddenly there was a noise from the sky which sounded like a strong wind blowing, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ Then they saw what looked like tongues of fire which spread out and touched each person there. ⁴They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to talk in other languages, as the Spirit enabled them to speak. ⁵There were Jews living in Jerusalem, religious people who had come from every country in the world. ⁶ When they heard this noise, a large crowd gathered. They were all excited, because all of them heard the believers talking in their own languages. ⁷In amazement and wonder they exclaimed, "These people who are talking like this are Galileans! ⁸ How is it, then, that all of us hear them speaking in our own native languages? ⁹We are from Parthia, Media, and Elam; from Mesopotamia, Judea, and Cappadocia; from Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ from Phrygia and Pamphylia, from Egypt and the regions of Libya near Cyrene. Some of us are from Rome, ¹¹ both Jews and Gentiles converted to Judaism, and some of us are from Crete and Arabia yet all of us hear them speaking in our own languages about the great things that God has done!" ¹² Amazed and confused, they kept asking each other, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others made fun of the believers, saying, "These people are drunk!" ¹⁴ Then Peter stood up with the other eleven apostles and in a loud voice began to speak to the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, listen to me and let me tell you what this means. ¹⁵ These people are not drunk, as you suppose; it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ Instead, this is what the prophet Joel spoke about: ¹⁷ 'This is what I will do in the last days, God says: I will pour out My Spirit on everyone. Your sons and daughters will proclaim My message; your young men will see visions, and your old men will have dreams. ¹⁸Yes, even on My servants, both men and women, I will pour out My Spirit in those days, and they will proclaim my message. ¹⁹ I will perform miracles in the sky above and wonders on the earth below. There will be blood, fire, and thick smoke; ²⁰ the sun will be darkened, and the moon will turn red as blood, before the great and glorious Day of the Lord comes.²¹Then whoever calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.'

> After the reading This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING: Romans 8:14-17 The Spirit makes us God's children

¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵ So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God's Spirit when He adopted you as His own children. Now we call Him, "Abba, Father." ¹⁶ For His Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God's children. ¹⁷ And since we are His children, we are His heirs. In fact, together with Christ we are heirs of God's glory. But if we are to share His glory, we must also share His suffering.

After the reading This is the Word of the LORD. Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA VERSE

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord fills the world. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful people, and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: John 14:8-17 Jesus promises the Holy Spirit

Before the reading Glory be to You, O LORD.

⁸ "Lord," said Philip, "show us the Father, and that's enough for us." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been among you all this time without your knowing Me, Philip? The one who has seen Me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Don't you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me? The words I speak to you I do not speak on My own. The Father who lives in Me does His works. ¹¹ Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me. Otherwise, believe because of the works themselves. ¹² "I assure you: The one who believes in Me will also do the works that I do. And he will do even greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ Whatever you ask in My name, I will do it so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If you ask Me anything in My name, I ¹⁵ "If you love Me, you will keep My commands. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and will do it. He will give you another Counsellor to be with you forever. ¹⁷ He is the Spirit of truth. The world is unable to receive Him because it doesn't see Him or know Him. But you do know Him, because He remains with you and will be in you. ¹⁸I will not leave you as orphans; I am ¹⁹ "In a little while the world will see Me no longer, but you will see Me. coming to you. Because I live, you will live too. ²⁰ In that day you will know that I am in My Father, you are in Me, and I am in you. ²¹ The one who has My commands and keeps them is the one who loves Me. And the one who loves Me will be loved by My Father. I also will love him and will reveal Myself to him." ²² Judas (not Iscariot) said to Him, "Lord, how is it You're going to reveal Yourself to us and not to the world?"²³ Jesus answered, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word. My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him. ²⁴ The one who doesn't love Me will not keep My words. The word that you hear is not Mine ²⁵ "I have spoken these things to you while I remain but is from the Father who sent Me.

with you. ²⁶ But the Counsellor, the Holy Spirit—the Father will send Him in My name—will teach you all things and remind you of everything I have told you. ²⁷ "Peace I leave with you. My peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Your heart must not be troubled or fearful.

After the reading This is the gospel of the LORD. **Praise be to You, O Christ.**

Lord Jesus Christ, thank You for sending us the Spirit. Fill us with the Holy Spirit, so that we may truly know You and the Father. **Amen.**

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God, the Father almighty, from thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

LHS 774: Holy Spirit, ever dwelling (click here)

Holy Spirit, ever dwelling in the holiest realms of light; Holy Spirit, ever brooding o'er a world of gloom and night; Holy Spirit, ever raising those of earth to thrones on high: Living, life-imparting Spirit, You we praise and magnify.

Holy Spirit, ever living as the church's very life; Holy Spirit, ever striving through us in a ceaseless strife; Holy Spirit, ever forming in the church the mind of Christ: You we praise with endless worship for Your fruit and gifts unpriced.

Holy Spirit, ever working through the church's ministry; quickening, strengthening and absolving, setting captive sinners free; Holy Spirit, ever binding age to age, and soul to soul, in a fellowship unending: You we worship and extol.

Timothy Rees 1874-1939, alt.

SERMON

At this point you may wish to Listen to Sermon, or Read and Discuss the Sermon For Church YouTube Channel (<u>click here</u>) The Sermon online may be different to the manuscript. For LCA Worship Resources (<u>click here</u>)

Hymn Of The Holy Spirit (click here)

Holy Spirit guide my vision, help me see the way You see: always Jesus, ever Jesus, Christ in all, as Christ in me.

Holy Spirit guide my speaking, words of grace and truth abound. Let my lips be filled with stories of the mercy that I've found.

You're the light, You're my path, You're the Shepherd of my soul. All I am, all I have, Holy Spirit lead me on.

Holy Spirit guide my hearing, wake my ears to words You speak; in the thunder, in the stillness, let Your voice be clear to me, let Your voice be clear to me.

You're the light, You're my path, You're the Shepherd of my soul. All I am, all I have, Holy Spirit lead me on.

Holy Spirit lead me onward, walking through the great unknown, trusting, leaning, holding, clinging till the day You lead me home.

You're the light, You're my path, You're the Shepherd of my soul. All I am, all I have, Holy Spirit lead me on, Holy Spirit lead me on.

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LITANY TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

O God the Father in heaven: Have mercy on us.

O God the Son, redeemer of the world: Have mercy on us.

O God the Holy Spirit, comforter and sanctifier: Have mercy on us. O Spirit of wisdom and understanding: O Spirit of counsel and might: O Spirit of knowledge and godliness: O Spirit of the fear of the Lord:

Have mercy on us.

O Spirit of love, joy, and peace: O Spirit of, patience, kindness, and generosity: O Spirit of faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control: O Spirit of adoption as the children of God:

Have mercy on us.

From all sin and from all evil: From the crafts and attacks of Satan: From uncleanness of mind or body: O Holy Spirit, deliver us.

By Your eternal procession from the Father and the Son: By Your working at creation: By Your inspiration of the prophets: O Holy Spirit, deliver us.

By Your descent upon the mother of our Lord at His incarnation: By Your descent upon our Lord at His baptism: O Holy Spirit, deliver us.

By Your descent upon the apostles at Pentecost: By Your continual presence with the church: By Your grace and pity in the day of judgment: O Holy Spirit, deliver us.

That You would shine Your light and love into our hearts: That You would open to us the treasures of your grace: That You would teach us to pray according to Your will:

O Holy Spirit, hear us.

That we may not grieve You or despise You: That You would lead us into all truth: That You would grant Your unity to the church: O Holy Spirit, hear us.

That You would guide and direct all young people: That You would heal the divisions between families: That You would reconcile all people to one another: **O Holy Spirit, hear us.**

That You would heal the sick: That You bring comfort to all who mourn. That You would grant Your peace to the whole world: **O Holy Spirit, hear us.**

(Here other prayers may be offered. Please see Bulletin Notes for additional prayer points)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 forever. Amen.

BLESSING

Let us bless the LORD. **God be praised forevermore.**

I will sing to the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all.

Amen!

GROWING FAITH AT HOME BLESSING

May God pour out His Spirit upon you, so that you live boldly as His child.

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WORDS OF SENDING

The Spirit joins with your spirit to affirm that we are God's children. Go in peace.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

How Great is our God with How great Thou art (click here)

The splendour of the King, clothed in majesty; let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice. He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide, and trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice.

How great is our God! Sing with me: how great is our God! And all will see how great, how great is our God!

And age to age He stands, and time is in His hands; Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End. The God-head, Three-in-One, Father, Spirit, Son, the Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb.

How great is our God! Sing with me: how great is our God! And all will see how great, how great is our God!

How great is our God! Sing with me: how great is our God! And all will see how great, how great is our God!

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee:How great Thou art! How great Thou art!Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to Thee:How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

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HYMNS AND SONGS

First reading(a): Acts 2:1-21

LHS

- 116 Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly dove* G8
- 117 Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire
- 119 Come down, O Love divine G8
- 121 Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord* G4
- 124 O Holy Spirit, enter Thou* G3
- 128 O Spirit of life, O Spirit of God* G5
- 129 Breathe on me, Breath of God G5

- 227 O Spirit of the living God G5
- 229 Revive Thy work, O Lord* G5
- 505 Father, who the light this day G4
- 773 Filled with the Spirit's power G7
- 775 Let every Christian pray G7
- 779 My Lord of light, who made the worlds G8
- AT
- 218 Spirit, Spirit of gentleness
- 249 As a dream receive your history
- 264 Spirit of God, you're with me
- 299 Pour it all out, Jesus
- 334 Wa wa wa Emimimo
- 358 Holy Spirit, living water

Second reading (a): Romans 8:14-17

LHS

- 109 Draw us to Thee* G5
- 121 Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord* G5
- 128 O Spirit of life, O Spirit of God* G5
- 134 Come O come, Thou quickening Spirit* G3
- 142 We all believe in one true God* G3
- 160 Arise, my soul, arise G9 (esp v 1,4,5)
- 277 Baptized into Thy name most holy* G4
- 423 Jehovah, let me now adore Thee* G5 (esp v 1,4,5 v5 not revised)
- 441 With joyful hearts your praises bring* G3
- 777 Father in heaven G5
- 798 Eternal ruler of the ceaseless round G6
- 805 We are heirs of the Father GS
- 850 O Father, my Father GS

AT

- 6 O Father, my Father
- 12 We are heirs of the Father
- 115 Father in heaven
- 223 When your Spirit moves
- 251 God sends us his Spirit
- 393 A child of God

Gospel: John 14:8-17 (25-27)

LHS

- 116 Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly dove* G8
- 118 O Holy Ghost, to Thee we all pray* G3
- 122 O Holy Ghost, Thou gift divine* G5
- 124 O Holy Spirit, enter Thou* G3

- 125 Come gracious Spirit, heavenly dove G5
- 128 O Spirit of life, O Spirit of God* G5
- 130 O enter, Lord, Thy temple* G4
- 131 Holy Ghost, with light divine* G5
- 175 Thou art the way, to Thee alone* G6
- 188 Built on a rock the Church doth stand*
- 512 Lord, Thy blessing send us* G7
- 513 Peace to soothe all grief and woe G5

AT

- 184 Love is the law
- 240 My peace I give
- 251 God sends us his Spirit
- 264 Spirit of God
- 406 Peace
- 410 Peace be with you
- 487 Make your home in me
- 496 Don't be afraid