

A Service of Morning Prayer

June 8, 2025

The Day of Pentecost



“Pentecost” painting by Emmanuele A. Tagliafico, Lisbon

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful; and kindle in us the fire of your love.

CP 251 Come, Ever Blessed Spirit, Come

1 Come, ever blessed Spirit, come,
and make thy servants' hearts thy home;
may each a living temple be,
hallowed for ever, Lord, to thee.

3 O Trinity in Unity,
one only God and persons three,
in whom, through whom, by whom we live,
to Thee we praise and glory give:

2 Enrich that temple's holy shrine
with sevenfold gifts of grace divine:
with wisdom, light and knowledge bless,
strength, counsel, fear, and godliness.

4 So grant us to receive thy grace,
that we may see thy glorious face,
and ever with the heavenly host
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
And the love of God,
And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
Be with you all.

And also with you.

May his grace and peace be with you.
May he fill our hearts with joy.

Almighty God,
**To you all hearts are open,
All desires known,
And from you no secrets are hidden.
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
By the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
That we may perfectly love you,
And worthily magnify your holy name;
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b *Refrain: Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.*

104:24 O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

104:25 There is the sea, great and wide; creeping things innumerable are there, living things both small and great.

104:26 There go the ships and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it.

104:27 These all look to you to give them their food in due season;

104:28 when you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

104:29 When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

104:30 When you send forth your spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the ground.

104:31 May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works--

104:32 who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke.

104:33 I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

104:34 May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD.

104:35b Bless the LORD, O my soul. Praise the LORD!

A Reading from Genesis 11:1-9

11:1 Now the whole earth had one language and the same words.

11:2 And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there.

11:3 And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks and fire them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone and bitumen for mortar.

11:4 Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth."

11:5 The LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built.

11:6 And the LORD said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them.

11:7 Come, let us go down and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech."

11:8 So the LORD scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city.

11:9 Therefore it was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth, and from there the LORD scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CP 612 Healer of Our Every Ill**Refrain:**

**Healer of our every ill,
light of each tomorrow,
give us peace beyond our fear,
and hope beyond our sorrow.**

1 You who know our fears and sadness,
grace us with your peace and gladness;
Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts. [*Refrain*]

2 In the pain and joy beholding
how your grace is still unfolding,
give us all your vision, God of love. [*Refrain*]

3 Give us strength to love each other,
every sister, every brother;
Spirit of all kindness, be our guide. [*Refrain*]

4 You who know each thought and feeling,
teach us all your way of healing;
Spirit of compassion, fill each heart. [*Refrain*]

A Reading from Romans 8:14-17

8:14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

8:15 For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!"

8:16 it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God,

8:17 and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if we in fact suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CP 641 Creator Spirit, By Whose Aid

1 Creator Spirit, by whose aid
the world's foundations first were laid,
come, visit every humble mind;
come, pour thy joys on humankind;
from sin and sorrow set us free,
and make us temples worthy thee.

3 Plenteous of grace, descend from high
rich in thy sevenfold energy;
make us eternal truths receive,
and practise all that we believe;
give us thyself, that we may see
the Father and the Son by thee.

2 O source of uncreated light,
the Father's promised Paraclete,
thrice holy fount, thrice holy fire,
our hearts with heavenly love inspire;
come, and thy sacred unction bring
to sanctify us while we sing.

4 Immortal honour, endless fame,
attend the almighty Father's name;
the Saviour Son be glorified,
who for the world's redemption died;
and equal adoration be,
eternal Paraclete, to thee.

The Gospel

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according John

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

John 14:8-17 (25-27)

14:8 Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied."

14:9 Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?"

14:10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works.

14:11 Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves.

14:12 Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father.

14:13 I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

14:14 If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

14:15 "If you love me, you will keep my commandments.

14:16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever.

14:17 This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

14:25 "I have said these things to you while I am still with you.

14:26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I have said to you.

14:27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon by the Rev. Alison Westervelt

CCLI 1272252 Spirit of God

Chorus

***Spirit of God fly like a dove
Carry Your gifts of faith and love***

1 Spirit of God You're with me
Shaping me from within
Everything Jesus promised You bring
Life in the Father's care
Your special peace we share
Safety from every evil snare

2 Spirit of God You show me
Heaven right here on earth
Here in the midst of dying is birth
Water and word combine
And all Your gifts are mine
O how the light of Jesus shines

3 Spirit of God You gather people of every
tongue
Women and men the old and the young
Knowing that we belong
Gathered to sing Your song
We may be weak but You are strong

4 Give me a heart that's simple
Just like a child at play
Let me be strong but gentle today
Trusting when I can't see
That You're at work in me
Growing some good fruit on this tree

Affirmation of Faith (The Apostles' Creed)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.
 I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
 He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
 and born of the Virgin Mary.
 He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried.
 He descended to the dead.
 On the third day he rose again.
 He ascended into heaven.
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again
 to judge the living and the dead.**

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

Prayers of the People compiled and led by Betty Johnson

For our intercessions today we will use Litany 16

Let us pray to God the Holy Spirit, saying, "Come, Holy Spirit, come."
 Come, Holy Spirit, creator, and renew the face of the earth.

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

In the World we pray for The Anglican Church of Melanesia

We pray for the Diocese of Edmonton: the Rt. Rev. Stephen London, Bishop.

We pray for Indigenous Ministry: Travis Enright, Archdeacon for Reconciliation and Decolonization.

We pray for Fred Matthews, Lay Reader-in-Charge Church of the Nativity, Frog Lake.

We pray for Gahengeri Indigenous community in Buyé Diocese: Damascene Bagirubwira, Rector.

We pray for the people and community of the Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation.

We pray for our parish of St. Peter's, our clergy Arthur and Alison, our music ministry Nadine, our lay readers, Emily and Jorge, and our St. Peter's family.

Gracious God, you sent your Son Jesus to proclaim to all the good news of your Kingdom, and through him inspired individuals to sow the seeds of your Church.
 Help us as we begin this work of starting a new community of faith within our

walls. Empower your servants and all who support us and give us the gifts to accomplish your will.

Come, Holy Spirit, counsellor, and touch our lips that we may proclaim your word.

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

We pray for those for whom our prayers are requested: Sandra..... Merle..... Mary..... Irene Tony and Mary Jean..... Florence..... Lisa and Joe..... Marijke..... Diane..... Janelle..... Sandy..... Evelyn..... Sarah..... Terry..... Ken..... Monica..... Julie..... Lucas..... Helen..... Cody..... Judy..... Skariah..... Ruth..... Jody and Michael..... David L..... Kathy..... Joy..... Melody and her family..... Pauline and Richard.....Jorges and Janine..... Michael S..... Larry..... Christena..... Elsie..... those we hold close in our hearts and those known to you alone.

And for the peaceful repose of the souls of those who have died and comfort for those who mourn, especially the Rev Joyce Mellor

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Come, Holy Spirit, power from on high: make us agents of peace and ministers of wholeness. We pray for our King Charles 111, our prime minister Mark Carney, our premier Danielle Smith and our mayor Amarjeet Sohi, and all others in authority that they may lead the nations of this world into the ways of justice and peace.

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Come, Holy Spirit, breath of God, give life to the dry bones of this exiled age, and make us a living people, holy and free.

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Come, Holy Spirit, wisdom and truth: strengthen us in the risk of faith.

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit, you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

Collect

Almighty and everliving 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,
keep us in the unity of your Spirit,
that every tongue may tell of your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

**And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
 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.**

CP 643 Holy Spirit, Come with Power

1 Holy Spirit, come with power, breathe into our aching night.
 We expect you this glad hour, waiting for your strength and light.
 We are fearful, we are ailing, we are weak and selfish too.
 Break upon your congregation, give us vigour, life anew.

2 Holy Spirit, come with fire, burn us with your presence new.
 Let us as one mighty choir sing our hymn of praise to you.
 Burn away our wasted sadness and enflame us with your love.
 Burst upon your congregation, give us gladness from above.

3 Holy Spirit, bring your message, burn and breathe each word anew
 Deep into our tired living till we strive your work to do.
 Teach us love and trusting kindness, lend our hands to those who hurt,
 Breathe upon your congregation and inspire us with your word.

The Dismissal

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful; and kindle in us the fire of your love.

Let us bless the Lord
Thanks be to God.

May the God of peace enable us to do His will in every kind of goodness
 working in us what pleases Him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory for
 ever and ever. Amen.

My dear friends, be swift to love, make haste to be kind,
 and go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.