

Pentecost Worship



Opening Sentence

In the last days, God says, 'I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy' *Acts 2 :17-18*

Opening Statement

(Please join in the words in bold type)

O Lord, open our lips
All **and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Send your Holy Spirit upon us,
All **and clothe us with power from on high. Alleluia.**

Blessed are you, creator God,
to you be praise and glory for ever.
As your Spirit moved over the face of the waters
bringing light and life to your creation,
pour out your Spirit on us today
that we may walk as children of light
and by your grace reveal your presence.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
All **Blessed be God for ever.**

Hymn

Confession

Loving God, we confess that we have stifled your Spirit within us.

You have sent us the Spirit of love,

but we have preferred to hate those who oppose us.

You have sent us the Spirit of joy,

but we have taken your gifts for granted and been ungrateful.

You have sent us the Spirit of peace,

but we have allowed our selfishness to cause division and disharmony.

You have sent us the Spirit of patience,

but we have been worried and anxious when we have not seen immediate results from our efforts, or evidence of your love.

You have sent us the Spirit of kindness,

but we have been indifferent to other people's needs.

You have sent us the Spirit of goodness,

but through thoughtlessness, as well as our deliberate wrongdoing, we have sinned.

You have sent us the Spirit of faithfulness,

but we have been fickle in our resolve, unreliable disciples of Jesus.

You have sent us the Spirit of gentleness,

but we have been insensitive to the feelings of others.

You have sent us the Spirit of self-control,

but we have lived recklessly, without disciplining ourselves.

Forgive us, merciful God.

Teach us how much we need the power of your Spirit in our lives; and breathe new life into us; for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

The Minister will announce God's words of forgiveness

Offering

Yours Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours. All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.

Hymn

Collect Prayer

After each reading

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Hymn

Sermon

Hymn

Creed

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

**I believe 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, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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

We conclude our prayers with the prayer Jesus taught us

**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**

Hymn

Final Prayer & Blessing

**God of power,
may the boldness of the Spirit transform us,
may the gentleness of the Spirit lead us,
may the gifts of your Spirit equip us to serve and worship you,
now and always. Amen.**

May the blessing of God Almighty
Father, Son and Holy Spirit
be upon you
and remain with you this day
and evermore Amen.

Jesus said, 'Receive the Spirit: as
the Father sent me, so I send you.'

Go in peace
to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

