

# A Service of Morning Prayer During Pentecost



## GATHERING

Leader: +In the name of God, the Creator, the Christ, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen.**

Leader: O Lord, open our lips

All: **and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Leader: As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence,  
O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you; now and for ever.

All: **Amen.**

## OPENING PRAYER

Leader: God of wind and flame,

All: **send your life-giving Spirit upon your people: give fire to our words,  
strength to our witness and boldness to our proclamation of your wondrous work in Christ;  
who, with you and the Spirit, lives and reigns now and for ever. Amen.** LITURGY OF THE WORD

Leader: Wonderous God, you have brought us to this thin place where heaven and earth embrace.  
Here we bask in your peace and grace

All: **and open our hearts to your holy Word.**

## READING AND DISCUSSION

### INTERCESSIONS

One: Come Spirit of God and fall afresh upon your Church, empower us for the mission of God in the world.  
Lead us from the time of trial to the time of renewed life and being, transform us, that we may  
transform the injustices and pain of the world into the image of your Kingdom on earth as it is in  
heaven. Grant us vision and imagination for our life together, and grant to our Bishop Susan and  
to all who lead us, wisdom, strength, and peace. God of love,

All: **hear our prayer.**

One: Come Spirit of God and let the fire of your presence shine brightly in the midst of dark places and dark  
times. Bring your warmth of love and comfort to the distressed, the abandoned, the isolated and  
lonely, the suffering and the dismayed. Bring hope to the downhearted and desperate,  
and inspire in us all empathy, compassion, and selflessness, to respond to the pain of the world.  
God of love,

All: **hear our prayer.**

One: Come Spirit of God and breathe refreshment into the tired and weary places in our hearts and souls.  
Renew us and give us patience. Remake us and give us grace. Recreate us and enlighten our hearts,  
that our communities may bear with one another and build life-together shaped by love.  
God of love,

All: **hear our prayer.**

One: Come Spirit of God and inspire the minds of academics and philosophers, of writers and storytellers,  
of actors and dancers, of potters and painters, of communicators, designers, and architects,

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that guided by you they might help us tell the stories of our times, understand the needs of our future, and share in your new creation. God of love,

**All: hear our prayer.**

One: Come Spirit of God and raise up the voices of the prophets. Open our ears to hear their calls for justice and the dismantling of the systems that oppress and ensnare. Liberate the captives and let the oppressed go free. Illuminate the racism, sexism, ageism, transphobia, and homophobia in our world and let their darkness melt away in your light. Bring healing to those who have been hurt across the generations. God of love,

**All: hear our prayer.**

One: Come Spirit of God and renew the face of the earth. Have mercy upon us as you look upon the abuse and damage we have inflicted upon your earth with our intentions and actions. Cleanse the poisoned waters, renew the soiled earth, refresh the polluted air, restore the habitats of your wonderfully diverse species, and teach us to walk lightly and live sustainably. God of love,

**All: hear our prayer.**

One: Come Spirit of God and heal the sick. Let your presence bring peace to those troubled with mental illness and relief for those in pain. Knit together bodies that are broken and bind up battered spirits. Spirit of healing, empower the hands of care providers with wisdom, compassion and strength, and grant them rest, renewal and protection. God of love,

**All: hear our prayer.**

Leader: Trusting in the compassion of God, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**All: Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,**

**Source of all that is and that shall be,**

**Father and Mother of us all,**

**Loving God, in whom is heaven:**

**The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!**

**The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world!**

**Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!**

**Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.**

**With the bread we need for today, feed us.**

**In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.**

**In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.**

**From trials too great to endure, spare us.**

**From the grip of all that is evil, free us.**

**For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and for ever.**

**Amen.**

## BLESSING

## HYMN