

St Paul's Church, Egham Hythe
Pentecost Celebration
8th June 2025



Welcome and Introduction

When the day of Pentecost had come, they 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. (Acts 2:1-4)

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

Alleluia, Christ is risen! **He is risen indeed, Alleluia!**

Hymn: Teach me to dance *Graham Kendrick © 1993 Make Way Music*

*Teach me to dance to the beat of your heart
Teach me to move in the power of your Spirit
Teach me to walk in the light of your presence
Teach me to dance to the beat of your heart
Teach me to love with your heart of compassion
Teach me to trust in the word of your promise
Teach me to hope in the day of your coming
Teach me to dance to the beat of your heart*

You wrote the rhythm of life, created heaven and earth
In You is joy without measure
So, like a child in your sight I dance to see your delight
For I was made for your pleasure, pleasure. *Teach me to dance...*

Let all my movements express a heart that loves to say 'yes'
A will that leaps to obey you.

Let all my energy blaze to see the joy in your face
Let my whole being praise you, praise you. *Teach me to dance...*

Confession

For ignoring the vision breathed by the living Spirit
churning deep within our souls;
Lord have mercy,
Lord have mercy.

For refusing to look at the vision alive within those
who look or act or sound different from us;
Christ have mercy,
Christ have mercy.

For choosing familiarity, ease, and comfort
rather than risking the opportunities afforded in the vision
Lord have mercy,
Lord have mercy.

based on Habakkuk 2: 1-4.

Absolution

May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your
sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in
Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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.
Amen.

Ezekiel 36:24-28 New Revised Standard Version

²⁴ I will take you from the nations, and gather you from all the
countries, and bring you into your own land. ²⁵ I will sprinkle clean
water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses,
and from all your idols I will cleanse you. ²⁶ A new heart I will give you,
and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body
the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. ²⁷ I will put my spirit

within you, and make you follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances. ²⁸ Then you shall live in the land that I gave to your ancestors; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

Song: There's a quiet understanding © 1973 Hope Publishing Co

There's a quiet understanding
when we're gathered in the Spirit,
It's a promise that he gives us,
When we gather in his name.
There's a love we feel in Jesus,
There's a manna that he feeds us,
It's a promise that he gives us
When we gather in his name.

And we know when we're together,
sharing love and understanding,
That our brothers and our sisters
feel the oneness that he brings.
Thank you, thank you, thank you, Jesus,
for the way you love and feed us,
For the many ways you lead us,
Thank you, thank you, Lord.

Reflection

Response *(a time of quiet reflection including music and silence)*

Your presence Lord ©Jesus Culture

There is nothing worth more that will ever come close
Nothing can compare, You're our living hope
Your presence Lord.
I've tasted and seen of the sweetest of love
When my heart becomes free and my shame is undone
Your presence Lord.

*Holy Spirit, You are welcome here
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere
Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for
To be overcome by Your presence, Lord.*

Prayer

Lord God, we your people stand ready and open
to receive your Holy Spirit afresh today.

Help us to speak your truth so that others may hear.

Come, Spirit of Truth, fill our hearts.

May that which was of stone be now transformed into life.

Come, Spirit of Life, change our hearts.

May we who receive your light dwell together in Your love.

Come, Spirit of Love, soften our hearts.

Bestow your compassion on those who suffer in mind, spirit, and body.

Come, Spirit of Hope, heal our hearts.

Make us bold to bring light to the dark places,
warmth to the cold places, and love to the empty places.

Come, Spirit of Faith, strengthen our hearts.

Spirit of the Living God, fill our hearts, minds, and souls to overflowing.

Come, Spirit of God, move in our hearts.

Lord God, we your people celebrate the mystery
of your never-ending love. **Amen.**

(Roberta Hiday, www.inthecourtyard.com)

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 the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia.

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you.

All And also with you. Alleluia!

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

The Eucharistic Prayer

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 him thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation; in your love you made us for yourself. When we turned away you did not reject us, but came to meet us in your Son.

**All You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life that we might live in him and he in us.

**All He opened his arms of love upon the cross
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed, at supper with his friends he took bread, and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to them, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

**All Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
His body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins; do this in remembrance of me.

**All Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
His blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory, send your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

**All As we eat and drink these holy gifts make us
one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world we offer you this sacrifice of praise and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

**Holy, holy, holy is the Lord, holy is the Lord God Almighty
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord, holy is the Lord God Almighty
Who was, and is and is to come.
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord.**

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**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.**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All Though we are many, we are one body,
 because we all share in one bread.**

God's holy gifts for God's holy people
**All Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord
 To the glory of God the Father.**

*We are invited to come and receive the bread or a prayer of blessing,
and then there is an opportunity to receive anointing with oil as we
consecrate ourselves afresh to the service of Christ.*

Commission

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, will you dare to walk into God's future,
trusting him to be your guide? **By the Spirit's power, we will.**

Will you dare to embrace each other and grow together in love?
We will.

Will you dare to share your riches in common and minister to each
other in need? **We will.**

Will you dare to pray for each other until your hearts beat with the
longings of God. **We will.**

Will you dare to carry the light of Christ into the world's dark places?
We will.

Blessing

May the love of God create in you new life. May the power of God
transform your old habits into new hope. May the Spirit of God grant
you wisdom and vision, giving you courage to proclaim the good news
of God's love to all. And may the blessing of God almighty, the Father,
the Son and the Holy Spirit, be with you now and always. **Amen.**

Filled with the Spirit's power; go in the light and peace of Christ.
Alleluia. Alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Hymn: Breathe on me, breath of God

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Fill me with life anew,
That as you love so I may love,
And do what you would do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Until my heart is pure,
Until my will is one with yours,
To do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Fulfil my heart's desire,
Until this earthly part of me
Glows with your heavenly fire.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
So shall I never die,
But live with Thee the perfect life
Of your eternity.



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