

# GRAFTON DIOCESE PENTECOST SERVICE: WE ARE ONE IN THE SPIRIT

## WE PREPARE FOR WORSHIP

*'Come, Holy Spirit'* Sung by Marius Mulder, Alstonville  
*'Holy Spirit, living breath of God'* Performed by Paloma di Dia, Ballina

## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

*Greeting* The Right Rev'd Dr Murray Harvey, Bishop of Grafton  
*Welcome to country* The Rev'd Lenore Parker, Maclean  
*Welcome from around the Diocese* Video clips from parishes and schools

*A reminder that Pentecost falls in National Reconciliation Week* Halle-Rose, Bishop Druitt College

*We show where we are in the Church Year* Noah, Bishop Druitt College

*Call to Worship* The Rev'd Dway Goon Chew, Tweed Heads

Come, Holy Spirit; fill us with your peace.  
Come, Holy Spirit; unite us in our worship.  
Come, Holy Spirit; raise us by your power.  
Come, Holy Spirit, come now.

*We sing* 'She sits like a bird'  
Introduced by the Rev'd Daryl McCullough, Coffs Harbour

*Greeting* The Venerable Tiffany Sparks, Diocesan Archdeacon

*Gathering Prayer* The Rev'd David Hanger, Northern Beaches

Dear Lord,  
we gather in the name of Jesus and in the power of the Spirit to worship you. We bring gifts of speaking, of listening, of music, of prayerfulness, of knowledge, and of wisdom. May our gifts be united to honour you and may each of us receive from you that which we need. Amen.

*Confession* The Rev'd Greg March, Kingscliff

The Spirit of truth comes to convict of sin, of righteousness, and of judgement. Let us then open our hearts and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

Merciful God, our maker and our judge,  
we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins.  
Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Absolution* The Rev'd Angela Dutton, Wauchope

*Prayer of the day* The Rev'd Christian Ford, Lismore

## THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

*Acts 2:1-21*

The Rev'd Lyndon Mulholland, Murwillumbah  
The Rev'd Lyn Bullard, Maclean  
The Rev'd Mike Ridge, Dorrigo

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 and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each.

Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning.

No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

*Psalm 104:24-34, 35b*

The Very Rev'd Dr Greg Jenks, Grafton

O Lord, how manifold are your works!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

**Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.**

Yonder is the great and wide sea, with its living things too many to number;  
creatures both small and great.

There move the ships,

and there is that Leviathan whom you have made for the sport of it.

**Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.**

All of them look to you to give them their food in due season;

you give it to them, they gather it;

you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

You hide your face, they are terrified;

you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.

**Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.**

You send forth your Spirit and they are created;

and so you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord endure forever;

he looks at the earth and it trembles,

he touches the mountains and they smoke.

**Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.**

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;

I will praise my God while I have my being.

May these words of mine please him,

I will rejoice in the Lord.

Bless the Lord, o my soul, alleluia.

**Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.**

No one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues.

All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptised into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free— and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

*We greet the Gospel with a song*      'Breathe on me, breath of God'  
Introduced by the Rev'd Daryl McCullough, Coffs Harbour

*The Gospel of John (John 7:37-39)*      The Rev'd Dr Desiree Snyman, Alstonville

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

*Pentecost & Popcorn*      The Rev'd Sally Miller, Emmanuel Anglican College

*Sermon*      Bishop Murray

*We sing*      'We are one in the Spirit'  
Introduced by the Rev'd Daryl McCullough, Coffs Harbour

*Affirmation of faith*      The Rev'd Anne Goode, Bellinger

We believe in one God, who made and loves all that is.  
We believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was born, lived, died and rose again and is coming to call all to account.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
who calls, equips and sends out God's people,  
and brings all things to their true end.  
This is our faith, the faith of the Church:  
We believe in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

## THE MINISTRY OF PRAYER

*Intercessions*      The Rev'd Tim Waghorn, South Grafton  
Mr Aaron Coates, Casino  
Students of Bishop Druitt College

Holy Spirit of peace,  
we pray for homes and nations where there is discord and conflict. Pour out your breath of peace that people may listen to each other; may respect one another; may honour each other.

Holy Spirit, hear us.  
**Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

Holy Spirit of hope,  
we pray for those who live in despair;  
for those who can see no purpose in their lives; for those who  
cannot see a way ahead; for those who feel completely alone.  
Holy Spirit, hear us.  
**Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

Holy Spirit of unity,  
we pray for your Church,  
for its ministry to the faithful; for its mission to the world.  
May the Spirit of Pentecost breathe upon us, that we may  
witness to the world the comfort, meaning and love that you  
offer. Heal our differences and make us one in you.  
Holy Spirit, hear us.  
**Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

*Prayers are offered for those affected by COVID-19, and  
those who offer healing and who are seeking a cure.*

Holy Spirit, hear us.  
**Come, Holy Spirit, come.**

*The Lord's Prayer*

Introduced by the Venerable Matthew Jones, Ballina  
Prayed by people from around the Diocese in many  
languages.

## THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*We sing* 'Filled with the Spirit's power'  
Introduced by the Rev'd Daryl McCullough, Coffs Harbour

*Sending out prayer* The Rev'd Katie Peken, Lower Macleay

*Final blessing* Bishop Murray

*We listen to a selection of songs offered in praise of God by musicians from across the Diocese:*

'Amazing Grace/Lift Us Up'	Students of St Columba Anglican School
'Tremble'	Amanda Rankin, Murwillumbah
'All Who Are Thirsty'	Cathy Ridd, Ballina & Alan Shaw, Lismore
'Shalom to You'	Students of Bishop Druitt College
'Come, Holy Spirit'	Robert Eather, Grafton Cathedral
'The River is Here'	Joyful Noise Choir, Lismore
'The Lord's Prayer (Gumbaynggirr)'	David Prosser