

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

CLAPHAM



FESTIVAL EUCHARIST ON THE FEAST OF PENTECOST

SUNDAY 19TH MAY 2024

WELCOME

HYMN 387 RISE AND HEAR THE LORD IS SPEAKING

**Rise and hear! The Lord is speaking,
as the gospel words unfold;
we, in all our agelong seeking,
find no firmer truth to hold.**

**Word of goodness, truth and beauty,
heard by simple folk and wise,
word of freedom, word of duty,
word of life beyond our eyes.**

**Word of God's forgiveness granted
to the wild or guilty soul,
word of love that works undaunted,
changes, heals, and makes us whole.**

**Speak to us, O Lord, believing,
as we hear, the sower sows;
may our hearts, your word receiving,
be the good ground where it grows.**

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you
and also with you.

Alleluia, alleluia,
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people
And kindle in them the fire of your love, Alleluia

CONFESSION

God's spirit searches everything and knows us;
Therefore, let us open our hearts to his mercy:
(We confess our sins and shortcomings to God in the quiet of our hearts)

You raise the dead to life in Spirit:
Lord have mercy
Lord have mercy

You bring pardon and peace to the broken in heart:
Christ have mercy
Christ have mercy

You make one by your Spirit
The torn and divided:
Lord have mercy
Lord have mercy

ABSOLUTION

May the God of love
forgive us,
heal us,
and set us free to love without fear.
Amen

THE COLLECT

Let us pray that the Spirit will work
through our lives to bring Christ to the world.

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,
ignite in us your holy fire,
strengthen us with the gift of faith,

revive your church with breath of love,
and renew the face of the earth,
through Christ our Lord
Amen

FIRST READING ACTS 2

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. Divided tongues like fire rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages.

Now there were people from every nation living in Jerusalem. And the crowd gathered and was amazed because each one heard them speaking in their own language. Astonished, they asked, “how is it that we each hear our own language?”

Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and Libya Cretans and Arabs.

Peter, stood up and said: This is what was promised: God told us: “I will pour out my Spirit upon everyone.

Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,

Your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

Even upon slaves, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit.

Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORY

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people
And kindle in us the fire of your love

For there are varieties of gifts
But the same Spirit

There are varieties of service
But the same Lord

We who are many
Are all baptised in the same spirit

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people
And make us one in heart and mind to serve you with joy

THE GOSPEL: John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
Glory to you, O Lord.

When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them.

‘I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, “Where are you going?” But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts.

Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.

And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see

me no longer; about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

‘I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.

He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

TALK

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Lord, come to bless us
And fill us with your Spirit.

(At the end)

In your mercy fill us with your Spirit
**Hear our prayer
and make us one in heart and mind
to serve you with joy forever.
Amen**

THE 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 Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

HYMN 719 LORD THE LIGHT OF YOUR LOVE IS SHINING

**Lord, the light of your love is shining,
in the midst of the darkness shining:
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us;
set us free by the truth you now bring us
shine on me, shine on me.**

*Shine, Jesus, shine,
fill this land with the Father's glory;
blaze, Spirit, blaze,
set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow,
flood the nations with grace and mercy;
send forth your word, Lord,
and let there be light!*

**Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
from the shadows into your radiance;
by the blood I may enter your brightness:
search me, try me, consume all my darkness:
shine on me, shine on me.**

*Shine, Jesus, shine,
fill this land with the Father's glory;
blaze, Spirit, blaze,
set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow,
flood the nations with grace and mercy;*

***send forth your word, Lord,
and let there be light!***

**As we gaze on your kingly brightness
So our faces display your likeness,
Ever changing from glory to glory:
Mirrored here, may our lives tell your story:
shine on me, shine on me.**

***Shine, Jesus, shine,
fill this land with the Father's glory;
blaze, Spirit, blaze,
set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow,
flood the nations with grace and mercy;
send forth your word, Lord,
and let there be light!***

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts
We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
It is right to give 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.
**You embraced us as a 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.
**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 is remembrance of me.
**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;
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.
**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.

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

With you whole church throughout the world
We offer you this sacrifice of praise
And lift our voices to join the eternal song of heaven:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Being made one by the power of the Spirit,
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has 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**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

THE AGNUS DEI

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.**

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

During communion the Choir will sing: I will not leave you comfortless (William Byrd)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Almighty God,
We thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your dear Son, Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out
in the power of your Spirit,
to live and work
to your praise and glory.
Amen**

NOTICES AND BANNES

BLESSING OF LIGHT

Blessed are you, sovereign God, overflowing in love.
With Pentecost dawns the age of the spirit.
Now the flame of heaven rests on every believer.

Strong and weak, women and men tell out your word;
The young receive visions, the old receive dreams.

With the new wine of the spirit
They proclaim your reign of love.
Amid the birth pangs of the new creation
The way of light is made known.
Source of freedom, giver of life,
Blessed are you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Blessed be God forever.

ANTHEM *The Choir will sing: Come Holy Ghost (Thomas Attwood)*

(During which we share the light from the Easter candle is shared among us)

COMMISSION

For 50 days we have celebrated the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ over the powers of sin and death. We have proclaimed God's mighty acts and we have prayed that the power that was at work when God raised Jesus from the dead might be at work in us.

As part of God's church here in Clapham I call on you to live out what you proclaim.

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, will you walk into the future, trusting the spirit to guide you?

By the Spirit's power, we will

Will you kindle the flame of love in the lives of both friend and stranger?

By the spirit's power, we will

Will you use the gifts the Spirit has given you to heal and restore the world Christ died for?

By the spirit's power, we will

(The Easter candle is extinguished in silence)

HYMN 810 THOU, WHOSE ALMIGHTY WORD

During which we process out of the church with our candles alight.

**Thou, whose almighty word
chaos and darkness heard,
and took their flight;
hear us, we humbly pray,
and where the gospel-day
sheds not its glorious ray,
let there be light.**

**Thou, who didst come to bring
on thy redeeming wing
healing and sight,
health to the sick in mind,
sight to the inly blind,
O now to all mankind
let there be light.**

**Spirit of truth and love,
life-giving, holy Dove,
speed forth thy flight;
move on the water's face,
bearing the lamp of grace,
and in earth's darkest place
let there be light.**

**Holy and blessèd Three,
glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, Love, Might;
boundless as ocean's tide
rolling in fullest pride,
through the earth far and wide
let there be light.**

DISMISSAL

The Lord is here
His spirit is with us

BLESSING

May the Spirit breath new life into you,
make you joyful in the service of God,
and bring the world alive with
the love of the risen Christ.
And the blessing of God almighty,
The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit
Be among you and remain with you always.
Amen

Filled with the Spirit's power;
Go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Please do join us after the service for coffee and a chat...

*...and for **Fire, Flame and Feasting,***

Today is PENTECOST, which is our patronal festival and the birthday of the world wide church. Please stay and toast marshmallows and share lunch with us after the service.

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