

WORSHIP TOGETHER

23rd May 2021

PENTECOST SUNDAY



Holy Spirit, You breathe life into our worship. Soften, open, and set our hearts on fire with love for You. AMEN

AND WE SING.....

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

Breathe on me, Breath of God
Till I am wholly thine,
Until this earthly part of me
Glow with thy fire divine

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

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A PRAYER

God of heaven and earth

***You have poured out your love upon us, like
rain on thirsty ground***

***You have poured out your mercy upon us,
like bread for our hunger***

***You have poured out your peace upon us,
like days of hope after years of sorrow***

***You bring to an end the time of devastation
and drought, changing our mourning into
dancing, our famine into feasting, our silence
into songs of everlasting Joy.***

We give you thanks and praise AMEN

And we say The Lord's prayer.....

Acts 2:1-21

***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. Like wild wildfire
the Spirit spread through them, and
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.***

**CAN YOU PUT YOURSELF IN THIS STORY?
HOW YOU WOULD HAVE FELT?**

Jesus had left them. They would never see him again. They'd been told His Spirit was with them, but if only they could feel it. Just imagine being one of those disciples. In the room, looking out of the window at all the people gathered, and looking back at the handful of men wondering what on earth they could do!!

They were not even powerful men!! And then it happened, the room turned from being dull and quiet, to being full of noise and movement in the air. The disciples looked at each other, they glowed. It was as if they were on fire. One minute they had been gloomy, now they felt more alive than they had ever felt. They talked and shouted but most of their words didn't make sense, but it didn't matter. Then the wind stopped and the light faded, but the fires inside them went on burning.

***The Holy Spirit, takes ordinary words,
and actions, and transforms them by
Your Supernatural Power into
something life changing, transforming;
into blessings and even miracles.***

***The disciples couldn't, and we can't
muster it up for ourselves. We cannot
make things happen, but God can***

Additionally The Holy Spirit is able to produce in us special kinds of fruit. These are - love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. (Galatians 5 vs 22-23) - wow. These fruits will give a Christlike enhancement to who we are, of our reactions and responses, our thoughts and attitudes. These fruits have the power to change the meagre offering of ourselves. Thank you Amazing God for Your incomparable gift.

Our offering We offer you all we have and are, all we do and say. We believe that you can transform these things of us, into miracles and blessings. We know we need constantly refreshing, and so we open our hands, minds, hearts and lives, to receive Your Holy Spirit, the Ultimate Power of the universe, and of us. AMEN

And we sing or say

Holy Spirit we welcome you
Holy Spirit we welcome you
Move among us with Holy fire
As we lay aside all earthly desire
Hands reach out and our hearts aspire
Holy Spirit, Holy Spirit
Holy Spirit, we welcome you

Holy Spirit we welcome you
Holy Spirit we welcome you
Let the breeze of your presence blow
That Your children here might truly know
How to move in the Spirit's flow
Holy Spirit, Holy Spirit,
Holy Spirit, we welcome you

Holy Spirit we welcome you
Holy Spirit we welcome you
Please accomplish in me today
Some new work of loving grace, I pray
Unreservedly have your way
Holy Spirit, Holy spirit
Holy Spirit, we welcome you

LET US PRAY - please add your own prayers
We pray for the Holy Spirit's work in the world
O Holy Spirit, bring to these places of suffering renewed hope and a vision of peace and justice for all

We pray for the Holy Spirit's work in the church...
O Holy Spirit bring to these places a renewed sense of purpose and a vision of a church in which God is active, and a church at work in the lives of all people

We pray for the Holy Spirit's work in the lives of all God's people.....
O Holy spirit, bring to these people the sense and belief in your presence bring comfort, peace and healing. Lead us forward Lord, by your power.

May today be a Pentecost for us. Set our minds, bodies and souls ablaze with the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. AMEN

We now sing

Fight the good fight with all thy might,
Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy right;
Lay hold on life, and it shall be
Thy joy and crown eternally.

Run the straight race through God's good grace,
Lift up thine eyes and seek His face;
Life with its way before thee lies,
Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.

Cast care aside, lean on thy Guide;
His boundless mercy will provide;
Lean, and the trusting soul shall prove
Christ is its life, and Christ its love.

Faint not, nor fear, His arms are near,
He changeth not, and thou art dear;
Only believe, and thou shalt see
That Christ is all in all to thee.

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May the presence of the Holy Spirit fire our hearts with the warmth of God's love. Amen