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We celebrate the 'birthday' of the church
We have 24 places for the 11am service
and would add a service for 12.30pm if more than 24
registered before 12 noon on Saturday
To reserve a seat please text/phone/email Russell

11am Sunday 23rd May pentecost

Dear friends

CHRISTMAS, EASTER OR PENTECOST— WHICH IS MOST IMPORTANT?

On Sunday we celebrate a very special day in the Christian year. In some countries people call the day 'Whitsun' and people would wear white on 'White Sunday'. While Christmas and Easter have been commercialised, Pentecost is almost forgotten.

Pentecost comes 50 days after Easter 7 weeks after Easter and where 7 is a number with special significance 7 x 7 is even more significant.

These words from Henri Nowen put it well

Without Pentecost the Christ-event
the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus
remains imprisoned in history
as something to remember,
think about and reflect on.
The Spirit of Jesus comes to dwell
within us, so that we can become
living Christs here and now.

We look forward to Sunday where we celebrate God's gift to us of 'the helper', the 'encourager' and the one who brings us together in unity.

With love to all!





When Pentecost Day arrived, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound from heaven like the howling of a fierce wind filled the entire house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be individual flames of fire alighting on each one of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as the Spirit enabled them to speak - Act 2 v1-4

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The 'birth' of the Church with the gift of the Spirit



The most convincing argument we can give to the world of Christ's mission is to be found in perfect unity.

"Bethlehem was God with us; Calvary was God for us; and Pentecost is God in us." Robert Baer

We are ONE in the Spirit we are ONE in the Lord

Breathe into me, Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy.

Move in me, Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy.

Attract my heart, Holy Spirit, that I may love only what is holy.

Strengthen me, Holy Spirit, that I may defend all that is holy.

Protect me, Holy Spirit, that I may always be holy.

—St. Augustine

poem - PENTECOST

Unless the eye catch fire,
The God will not be seen.
Unless the ear catch fire,
The God will not be heard.
Unless the tongue catch fire,
The God will not be named.
Unless the heart catch fire,
The God will not be loved.
Unless the mind catch fire,
The God will not be known

by William Blake (1757-1827)

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