# GISBORNE PRESBYTERIAN PARISH WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S GISBORNE

Matawhero Church – Church Lane St Andrew's Church and Community Centre: 176 Cobden Street, Gisborne

31 May 2020

**Pentecost** 



Ministers: All the people in Christ Minister: Rev Jin Sook Kim

Reader: Alvin Hall Organist: Paul Pollock Director of Music: Catherine Macdonald

### We gather together as the people of God

#### **Welcome & Notices**

We take a few moments of silence to prepare ourselves to worship God



The Bible and Candle, representing the Light of Christ among us, will be carried into the Church during the singing of the Introit.

Please remain seated during the singing.

*Introit* – From the waiting comes the sign (Alleluia Aotearoa #43) Music © Colin Gibson Words © Shirley Murray Verses 1-2

From the waiting comes the sign, come, Holy Spirit, come; from the Presence comes the peace, come, Holy Spirit, come; from the silence comes the song, come, Holy Spirit, come; and be to us in truth, the sign, the peace, the song.

In the burning is the fire, come, Holy Spirit, come; in the spending is the gift, come, Holy Spirit, come; in the breaking is the life, come, Holy Spirit, come; and be to us in faith, the fire, the gift, the life.

### Call to worship

Listen, can you hear the wind?

Come, Holy Spirit; come!

Look, can you see the dancing flames?

Come, Holy Spirit; come!

Can you hear the message
in a language you can understand?

Come, Holy Spirit; come!

Do you see the visions?

Can you dream the dreams?

Come, Holy Spirit; come!

Come let Pentecost become real in our lives this morning.

Come and worship our God who sends the Spirit to touch us and transform us into Pentecost people.

We sing − Great and deep the Spirit's purpose
Music © Colin Gibson Words © Marnie Barrell, Alleluia Aotearoa #55 verses 1-4

Great and deep the Spirit's purpose, hidden now in mystery,
Nature bursts with joyful promise, ripe with what is yet to be.
In a wealth of rich invention, still the work of art unfolds: barely have we seen, and faintly, what God's great salvation holds.

Great and deep the Spirit's purpose, making Jesus seen and heard. Every age of God's creation grasps new meaning from the Word. Show us, Holy Spirit, show us your new work begun today: eyes and ears and hearts are open, teach us what to do and say.

Great and deep the Spirit's purpose: all God's children brought to birth, freed from hunger, fear and evil every corner of the earth, and a million million voices speak with joy the Saviour's name; every face reflects his image, never any two the same.

Great and deep the Spirit's purpose, nothing shall be left to chance.
All that lives will be united in the everlasting dance.
All fulfilled and all perfected, each uniquely loved and known, Christ in glory unimagined once for all receives his own.

## Prayer of praise and confession

# Words of Assurance

God has promised to send us the Spirit, that we might know fully God's presence in the world and in our lives.

Know that the Spirit of forgiveness and understanding flows over us this day and always.

## Passing the Peace of Christ

Look around at all this wonderful red. It symbolizes the passion of the Spirit in our lives and in the church. Greet each other with that same passion and joy either in person or virtually and celebrate that you are all here this joyous Spirit-filled morning.

### Story Time – The Prince and the Pauper



Question: what made the prince endure the hardship as a pauper?

*We sing* − Come, teach us, Spirit of our God Music © Jillian Bray Words © Shirley Murray, *Faith Forever Singing* #11 verses 1-5

Come, teach us, Spirit of our God, the language of your way, the lessons that we need to live, the faith for every day.

Excite our minds to follow you, to trace new truths in store, new flight paths for our spirit space, new marvels to explore.

Engage our wits to dance with you, to leap from logic's base, to capture insight on the wing, to sense your cosmic grace.

Inspire our spark to light from you, to catch creations' flair, new artistry to celebrate, new harmonies to dare.

Delight our hearts to worship you, to learn compassion's code, to live in context of your love, great teacher who is God!

Readings (Alvin Hall)

First reading: Acts 2:1-21 (NRSV)

# The Coming of the Holy Spirit

**2** When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup> 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. <sup>3</sup> Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup> All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power."

<sup>12</sup> All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup> But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

#### **Peter Addresses the Crowd**

<sup>14</sup>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. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup> '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.

<sup>18</sup>Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

<sup>19</sup> And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

<sup>20</sup>The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

<sup>21</sup>Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church **Thanks be to God** 

Gospel reading: John 7:37-39 (NRSV)

# **Rivers of Living Water**

<sup>37</sup>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, <sup>38</sup> and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heartshall flow rivers of living water." <sup>39</sup> 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.

This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ **Praise to Christ the Word** 

#### Sermon – Are you living the Eternal Life? – Part 2

Anthem − Join hands in the Spirit © Radha Wardrop, Alleluia Aotearoa #82 verses 1-3

Join hands in the Spirit, the one holy name, you are love, and we your children, one and the same. All glory to the Spirit, all praise to your name, for your love unites us in peace once again.

Join minds in the Spirit, the one source of life, all are born in your image, sparks of your light. Oh joy that you call us to love and forgive, to trust beyond fear, that in death we may live.

Join hearts in the Spirit, the one holy peace, your love is our union, your touch our release. Oh great heart! embracing every creed, every race, in gratitude we cry at the gift of your grace.

### **Prayers of Intercession** (We pray responsively)

For the gift of your Spirit in our lives and in our church we give you thanks.

For the gifts you give to each of us to create your beloved community here on earth . . . . we give you thanks.

For all of creation, that it may be honoured and preserved and protected . . . .

### we give you thanks.

For the leaders of our nation and all nations of the world, that they might be guided with wisdom and understanding and committed to act in ways that bring your presence and peace . . . .

### come, Holy Spirit; come.

For all places where there are wars and rumours of wars, for those places where hunger gnaws, for those places ruled by oppression and injustice, for those places where hatred overcomes love . . . . come, Spirit; come.

Where dreams have died and visions are squashed renew their spirits with your passionate fire . . . . come, Spirit; come.

For all who are ill, whether in body, mind, or spirit; for all who mourn, whether for the loss of loved ones, the loss of a job, or even the loss of faith, fill them with your Spirit of compassion and strength and healing, that they might know they are never alone. Spirit, make us Pentecost people who reach out in love and caring.

For all that you have given and will yet give, we give you thanks.

May we always be open to your Spirit. Amen.

### **Offering**

We pray together

For all you have given, for all we have received, we give you thanks.

We bring before you our gifts of substance and the gift of our lives.

We bring our passion and joy and surprise, our visions and dreams.

May they refresh and enliven our church and community, as the wind of your Spirit did long ago.

We sing - I heard the voice of Jesus say, © CH4 #540 verses 1-3

I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'Come unto me and rest; lay down, thou weary one, lay down thy head upon my breast': I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad; I found in him a resting-place, and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
Behold, I freely give
the living water; thirsty one,
stoop down and drink, and live':
I came to Jesus, and I drank
of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
and now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'I am this dark world's Light; Look unto me, thy morn shall rise, and all thy day be bright': I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my Star, my Sun; and in that light of life I'll walk, till travelling days are done.

#### Sending

Go forth now as Pentecost people, filled with the Spirit, dreaming dreams, and seeing visions of God's possibilities.

We go forth, knowing we are beloved and blessed by a God who never leaves us alone.

Go, to be surprised by the Spirit in all that you do and everywhere that you go.

We go, claiming our identity as Pentecost people—people of wind and fire, dreams and visions, people filled with that most amazing and transforming Spirit. Amen.

### Benediction (Together)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, The love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit Be with us all now and forever.

**Sing: AMEN x 3** CH4 #819

#### Korero this week



As soon as we finish the service, from 12 pm till 12:30, we'll have korero via zoom. Please click the link then you will be directed to the zoom meeting. Allow the camera and the sound on in your computer. We will do zoom korero each Sunday till we meet fully at church.

Topic: zoom Korero

Time: May 31, 2020 12:00 PM Auckland, Wellington

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 875 9887 5123

Password: 877657

#### **Notices**

The live stream zoom service will be continued during Level 2. More details will be sent out this week.

#### MARMALADE made by Val

Sweet Orange Marmalade for sale \$3 each or two for \$5. There will be jars for sale in the office from Tuesday of next week. This is the best marmalade you can buy and it's only \$3. Yum

Church offerings can be made on line: GPP: 03 0638 0462917 00 Please hold onto your cheques until banks resume normal service.