

Congregational Response

VU 37

“Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia.
Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!
Glory to God, glory to God, hallelujah, hallelujah!”

Our Response

Reflection

Hymn “On Pentecost They Gathered” insert VU 195

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

We Send Each Other Out

Closing Hymn “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” insert VU 651

Commissioning

**All: We are Exodus, moving from slavery.
We are Advent, waiting for new love.
We are Easter, rising with Christ.
We are Pentecost, bursting with life.
We will go out to be God’s people in the world.**

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VU 376

“Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mould me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.”

The Benediction “We go in peace, blessed by the Resurrecting God,
Creator, Liberator and Sustainer.”

Three-Fold Amen

Steveston United Church

Sunday May 31, 2020 - 10:00 a.m.

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The Day of Pentecost



We Gather As God’s People

Call to Worship

One: Come with the wind and flames, and find inspiration.

**All: Come with the diversity of racial groups
and find harmony.**

One: Come with the diversity of those who freely share,
and find generosity.

**All: Come to worship and give thanks,
to find joyful prayer and the Word that challenges.
Come and listen for the wind!**

Lighting the Christ Candle

“Let the Light of Christ fill this space. Amen”

Opening Hymn “Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness”

VU 375

“Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow thro’ the wilderness calling and free,
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, Wind, Wind on the sea.

You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,
then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;
and over the eons you called to each thing:
-wake from your slumbers and rise on your wings.

“Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow thro’ the wilderness calling and free,
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, Wind, Wind on the sea.

You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,
then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still;
and down in the city you called once again,
when you blew thro’ your people on the rush of the wind.

“Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow thro’ the wilderness calling and free,
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, Wind, Wind on the sea.”

Prayer of Approach

**All: Gracious and Loving God,
your Spirit moves among us,
binding us in sacred promise
with faithful people of every time and place.
The Spirit stirs within us,
moving us to proclaim the gospel to all people.
The Spirit moves through us,
making us channels of God’s love.
As we gather to worship,
we open ourselves to the spirit of the living God,
made known to us in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Sharing the Peace of Christ

One: Rejoice and be glad,
the peace of Christ be with you all.
All: And also with you.

Learning Together

Prayer of Confession

**All: Generous God, you give us the gift of the Spirit,
but we confess that we have not always known how to use it.
You send us the Spirit of courage, but we have been afraid.
You send us the Spirit of truth, but we cling to our own ideas.
You send us the Spirit of healing,
but we cannot let go of our hurts.
Holy Spirit of forgiveness, come to us again:
shake our hearts, set our souls free,
send us out into the world celebrating your power.**

**We hold out to you all those moments
when we feel separated from you,
and ask for your help to live the way of your justice and love.
Forgive all our transgressions this day. Amen.**

**Words of Assurance “God’s unfailing love sustains and upholds us;
God will never let us go.
Where the Spirit is – there is freedom!
Thanks be to God.**

We Present Our Offering

Offertory Refrain

VU 542

“We give thee but thine own,
what e’er the gifts may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O God, from thee.”

Prayer of Dedication

**All: Life-giving Spirit, bring to these gifts the love of our actions
and the breath of our caring;
that our church and our service to others
may come to life in your name. Amen.**

We Listen to God’s Word

Psalter Psalm 104:24-34
Christian Scripture 1Corinthians 12:3-13
Christian Scripture Acts 2:1-21

One: The word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.