

FRIDAY MORNING PRAYER FOR PENTECOST

Fill our emptiness with your fullness
Spirit of power
Stir our hearts afresh
Spirit of love
Touch us and through us, our neighbour
Spirit of creativity
Enable and empower the gifts you have given
Spirit of eternity
Draw us ever deeper into your Kingdom.

PENITENTIAL RITE

*The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit: a broken and contrite heart, O God,
You will not despise.*

*Jesus said, "I am the light of the world; whoever follows me will not walk in
darkness, but will have the light of life."*

Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God,
let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins,
that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Most merciful God, **we confess we have sinned against you in thought,
word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus
Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy upon us,
pardon and deliver us from all our sins,
confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Lord, open our lips,
And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: **as it was in the
beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!**

Alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord renews the face of the earth: O come, let us
worship.

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers;
you are worthy of praise, glory to you.
**Glory to you for the radiance of your holy name;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

Glory to you in the splendour of your temple;
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.
**Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim;
We will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

Glory to you, beholding the depths;
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.
**Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

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POEM

We light a candle, and enjoy the flickering light, the fragrance and warmth it creates. But without the spark that ignites, there will be no flame.
Without the wax, the source of power, the wick will not burn.
Without the flame, there will be no fragrance, no warmth, no light.
And so with us, Lord.
You are the catalyst that ignites us, and the fuel that sustains us.
You fill us with your fragrance as you enter our lives.
You empower us to carry your flame in our hearts,
to be the fragrance, warmth, and light of your love, in this dark world.
(Faith and Worship - Prayer and Worship resources)

PSALM

Gospel Acclamation
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;
break me, melt me, mould me, fill me
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me!

GOSPEL

SILENCE

I invite you to share any way the Spirit is speaking to us today.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one.

Love the Lord your God

with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first and the great commandment. The second is like it:

Love your neighbour as yourself.

There is no commandment greater than these.

We will move into a time of prayer - intercessions and thanksgivings.

Breathe in me O Holy Spirit

That my thoughts may all be holy;

Act in me O Holy Spirit

that my works, too, may be holy;

Draw my heart O Holy Spirit

that I love but what is holy;

Strengthen me O Holy Spirit

to defend that is holy;

Guard me then O Holy Spirit

that I always may be holy.

(St. Augustine of Hippo)

SENDING

O God the Holy Ghost

Who art light unto thine elect

Evermore enlighten us.

Thou who art fire of love

Evermore enkindle us.

Thou who art Lord and giver of life,

Evermore live in us.

Thou who bestowest sevenfold grace,

Evermore replenish us.

As the wind is thy symbol,

So forward our goings.

As the dove, so launch us heavenwards.

As water, so purify our spirits.

As a cloud, so abate our temptations.

As dew, so revive our languor.

As fire, so purge our dross.

(Christina Rossetti)

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**