

Morning Worship Pentecost Sunday

¶ The Gathering

The Notices are usually given by the Warden on duty after which please stand for the opening hymn

Opening Hymn

The Greeting

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Call to Worship

Exuberant Spirit of God, bursting with the brightness of flame into the coldness of our lives to warm us with a passion for justice and beauty

All **we praise you.**

Exuberant Spirit of God, sweeping us out of the dusty corners of our apathy to breathe vitality into our struggles for change,

All **we praise you.**

Exuberant Spirit of God, speaking words that leap over barriers of mistrust to convey messages of truth and new understanding,

All **we praise you.**

Exuberant Spirit of God, flame, wind, speech, burn, breathe, speak in us;

All **fill your world with justice and with joy.**

The president introduces the day's liturgy

(The children's groups, if present, gather in the centre of the church to leave for their own ministry of the Word)



Prayer of Preparation

Faithful God,
All **who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit, and made known to every race and nation the way of eternal life; open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Confession

We are invited to confess our sins

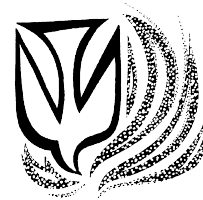
The Spirit of the Lord fills the world and knows our every word and deed. Let us then open ourselves to the Lord and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

We confess to you our selfishness and lack of love, fill us with your Spirit.
Lord have mercy
All **Lord have mercy**

We confess to you our fear and failure in sharing our faith, fill us with your Spirit.
Lord have mercy
All **Lord have mercy**

We confess to you our stubbornness and lack of trust fill us with your Spirit.
Lord have mercy
All **Lord have mercy**

May the God of love and power forgive us and free us from our sins, heal and strengthen us by his Spirit, and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord.
All **Amen.**



The Collect of the day

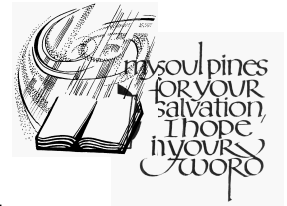
¶ The Liturgy of the Word

Readings from Holy Scripture.

A **Hymn** may be sung.

After each of the readings:

This is the word of the Lord.
All **Thanks be to God.**

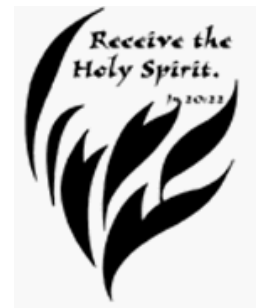


The Laying on of Hands

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people
All **And kindle in us the fire of your love.**
All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God and fellow-heirs with Christ;
All **Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people**
Renew the face of your creation, Lord, pouring on us the gifts of your Spirit,
All **And kindle in us the fire of your love.**
For the creation waits with eager longing for the glorious liberty of the children of God
All **Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people and kindle in us the fire of your love.**

Those who would like to receive the laying on of hands may be invited to come forward.

Hymns or Songs may be sung during the laying on of hands if desired



Affirmation of Faith *(optional)*

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Let us declare our faith in God.

All **We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.**



cf 1 Corinthians 15.3-7

The Prayers of Intercession



*A Hymn may be sung before or after the prayers.
There may also be a time of reflection, with time
for private prayer and meditation, either with
music or silence or a sung anthem. At this stage
the children's groups may rejoin us for the Lord's
Prayer.*

The Lord's Prayer *is said*

*Let us pray with confidence as
our Saviour has taught us*

**Our Father,
who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day
our daily bread.
And forgive us our
trespasses, as we
forgive those who
trespass against us.
And lead us not
into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

*As our Saviour taught us
so we pray*

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today
our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into
temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom,
the power, and the
glory are yours now
and for ever. Amen.**

The Offertory

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*We sing a **Hymn** during which the offertory is
collected. At the end is said*

Lord Jesus Christ, you emptied yourself,
taking the form of a servant
All **Through your love,
make us servants of one another.**

Lord Jesus Christ,
for our sake you became poor,
All **May our lives and gifts
enrich the life of your world.**

Yours, Lord,
All **is the greatness, the power, the glory, the
splendour, and the majesty; for everything in
heaven and on earth is yours. All things come
from you, and of your own do we give you.**

*(An opportunity for the children's groups to share with the
congregation should they wish to do so is offered here)*

¶ The Dismissal

The Blessing of Light

*The minister goes to the Easter Candle
and prays*

.....blessed are you, Father,
Son and Holy Spirit.
All **Blessed be God for ever.**

We may light individual candles

The Commission

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, will you dare to walk
into God's future, trusting him to be your guide?
All **By the Spirit's power, we will.**

Will you dare to embrace each other
and grow together in love?
All **We will.**



Will you dare to share your riches in
common and minister to each other in need?
All **We will.**

Will you dare to pray for each other until your hearts
beat with the longings of God?
All **We will.**

Will you dare to carry the light of
Christ into the world's dark places?
All **We will.**

All **God of power,
may the boldness of your Spirit transform us,
may the gentleness of your Spirit lead us,
may the gifts of your Spirit equip us to serve
and worship you now and always. Amen**

The Easter candle is extinguished.

Final Hymn



The Grace

All **The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love
of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be
with us all evermore. Amen**

Filled with the Spirit's power,
go in the light and peace of Christ.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

All **In the name of Christ. Amen.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The Clarendon Team Prayer may be said

**Lord God, the source of our unity, faith and
love: bless the Clarendon Team, that sharing
our gifts we may proclaim the gospel and
reveal your glory, in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen**

Please do not take this order of service away with you