

Virtual Worship from St. Paul's Anglican Cathedral, Kamloops BC

Pentecost Sunday, May 23, 2021

The Rev Len Fraser leads worship today. Alison Rustand, Jim Waldie sing and Pat Rustand pianist.

Today's service originates from the traditional territory of the Tk'emlúps te Secwepemc – Kamloops & Area First Nation. We acknowledge their care for and working of the land prior to contact with Europeans. As Canadian Anglicans, we continue to work toward healing and reconciliation and a new experience of sharing the land together.

All are welcome to attend Zoom Coffee after the service. The link will appear in the Facebook comments shortly before the end of the service.

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God in memory of our parents Jack and Bernice Petty and Hank and Dot Gothard by Jim and Joy Gothard.

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Piano prelude: The Meditations of my Heart by Elaine Hagenberg 2017, Beckenhorst Press
- Sing! Shout! Jubilate! by David Angerman and Joseph Martin, 1997 Shawnee Press
Played by Pat Rustand

Embracing Pentecost

Len Fraser

God speaks to us

IN THE RICHES OF CREATION

God speaks to us

IN THE STORIES OF JESUS

God speaks to us

IN THE LIVES OF OTHER PEOPLE

God speaks to us

IN WORDS AND WAYS THAT WE CAN UNDERSTAND

God of fire and beauty

WARM US

God of peace and justice

DISTURB US

God of wind and wonder

AMAZE US

God of Pentecost

KINDLE YOUR LOVE IN OUR LIVES

Prayer:

Gracious God, you come among your people
as One who fashioned all things,
who, face-to-face, revealed your knowledge of our lives,
and whose presence brings assurance and hope.
Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love
so that in hearing and seeing the gifts of this life,
we may know the way to live in thanksgiving;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

SONG: #108 SFGP Spirit, Spirit of gentleness

Jim Waldie

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 aeons
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 swept thro' the desert,
you stung with the sand,
and you goaded your people
with a law and a land;
and when they were blinded
with their idols and lies,
then you spoke thro' your prophets
to open their eyes.

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.

You call from tomorrow,
you break ancient schemes,
from the bondage of sorrow
the captives dream dreams;
our women see visions,
our men clear their eyes,
with bold new decisions
your people arise.

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

by James Manley. 1978 J. Manley Pub. Co.

Almighty and everliving God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal, keep us in the unity of your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

Rev Len Fraser

When the day of Pentecost had come, the apostles were all together in one place. 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. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs - in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." 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. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: '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. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

ACTS 2:1-21

Hear what the Spirit says to all people

Thanks be to God

O Lord, how manifold are your works! in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number, creatures both small and great.

There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, which you have made for the sport of it.

All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.

You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

You hide your face, and they are terrified; you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.

You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; may the Lord rejoice in all his works. He looks at the earth and it trembles; he touches the mountains and they smoke.

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.

May these words of mine please him; I will rejoice in the Lord.

Hallelujah!

PSALM 104:25-35, 37B

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE ROMANS

Jim Waldie

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

ROMANS 8:22-27

Hear what the Spirit says to all people

Thanks be to God

SONG: Breath on me Breathe of God - CP 649

Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, breath of God, until my heart is pure,
Until my will is one with thine to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, breath of God, till I am wholly thine,
Until this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, breath of God: so shall I never die,
But live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.

Text: Edwin Hatch (1835- 1889)

Music: Robert Jackson (1840- 1914)

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN

Glory to You Lord Jesus Christ

Rev Len Fraser

Jesus said to the disciples, "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

JOHN 15:26-27, 16:4B15

The Gospel of Christ **Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ**

SERMON

Rev Len Fraser

Song: Spirit of the Living God

Alison Rustand

Spirit of the Living God, move among us all; make us one in heart and mind,
make us one in love: Humble, caring, selfless, sharing- Spirit of the Living God,
fill our hearts with Love!

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!

Text: Michael Baughen. 1982 Hope Publishing Co.
Music and alternative text: Daniel Iverson, 1935, 1963 Birdwing Music.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Hear, O Israel
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.

PRAYERS

Let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need, saying,
hear us, O God, your mercy is great.

In gratitude for all that you have done for us, Holy God, we pray:
For the people of God in every land; for those who continually teach the faith;
for witnesses who by their example show your steadfast love;
for all who are estranged from the church; and for the strength to walk in your ways
and observe your command; hear us, O God, **your mercy is great.**

For nations, communities, and families torn by violence;

for leaders and protesters, for managers and visionaries;
for dictators and peacemakers;
for the allies of our nation and for our enemies;
especially today for the people of [insert contemporary concerns];
hear us, O God, **your mercy is great.**

For Earth and its riches;
for soil and wetlands, trees, bushes, rivers and lakes, oceans and air;
and for all the peoples who inhabit this great creation;
for the ability to choose life for all creatures
and to honor the welfare of generations to come;
hear us, O God, **your mercy is great.**

For all people who are victims of injustice;
for those who are unemployed or underemployed;
for those living on the streets of our cities;
for everyone affected by divorce;
for people struggling with addiction, anger, fear, or illness;
for all who have asked this congregation for prayer;
for those we name now aloud or in our hearts [silence];
hear us, O God, **your mercy is great.**

For this community of faith;
for those who come to worship every week
and those who cannot come;
for the young and the old;
for newcomers and long-familiar faces;
for the newly baptized in every land;
for those who are seeking to know you;
hear us, O God, **your mercy is great.**

For all else that this assembly is concerned with today,
named aloud or in our hearts [silence];
hear us, O God, **your mercy is great.**

Thanksgiving for all the saints who served you in life
and whose proclamation of the gospel continues to renew the church;
hear us, O God, **your mercy is great.**

Into your promises, we entrust all those
whose needs are known to us today
and those whose needs are only known to you.
Grant peace to all, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Alison Rustand

As our Saviour taught us, let us 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.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

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Rev Len Fraser

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: **Have mercy upon us.**
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: **Have mercy upon us.**
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: **Grant us your peace.**

Let us pray. O Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God;
**In these times when we cannot receive you sacramentally,
come into ourselves, our souls and bodies,
as you have risen from the dead**

**bringing victory over death,
healing, comfort and peace.
Revitalize your Church in Love;
Strengthen us for service;
that when our wanderings end,
we may in courage and confidence
in joy and resilience,
discover your love throughout all creation, Amen.**

Quiet time

SENDING AND CELEBRATING

Rev Len Fraser

The Holy Spirit has come to inhabit this world
with freedom, truth, and understanding.
You are not alone.
May God keep you and make your prayers bear fruit.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Len Fraser

HYMN: #659 CP She Comes Sailing on the Wind

*Refrain:
She comes sailing on the wind,
her wings flashing in the sun;
on a journey just begun,
she flies on.
And in the passage of her flight,
her song rings out through the night,
full of laughter, full of light,
she flies on.*

Silent waters rocking on the morning of our birth,
Like an empty cradle waiting to be filled.
And from the heart of God the Spirit moved up on the earth,
Like a mother breathing life into her child.

Refrain:

*She comes sailing on the wind,
her wings flashing in the sun;
on a journey just begun,
she flies on.
And in the passage of her flight,
her song rings out through the night,
full of laughter, full of light,
she flies on.*

Many were the dreamers whose eyes were given sight,
When the Spirit filled their dreams with life and form.
Deserts turned to gardens, broken hearts found new delight,
And then down the ages still she flew on.

Refrain:

*She comes sailing on the wind,
her wings flashing in the sun;
on a journey just begun,
she flies on.
And in the passage of her flight,
her song rings out through the night,
full of laughter, full of light,
she flies on.*

To a gentle girl in Galilee, a gentle breeze she came,
A whisper softly calling in the dark,
The promise of a child of peace whose reign would never end,
Mary sang the Spirit song within her heart.

Refrain:

*She comes sailing on the wind,
her wings flashing in the sun;
on a journey just begun,
she flies on.
And in the passage of her flight,
her song rings out through the night,
full of laughter, full of light,
she flies on.*

Flying to the river, she waited circling high
Above the child now grown so full of grace.

As he rose up from the water, she swept down from the sky,
And she carried him away in her embrace.

Refrain:

*She comes sailing on the wind,
her wings flashing in the sun;
on a journey just begun,
she flies on.
And in the passage of her flight,
her song rings out through the night,
full of laughter, full of light,
she flies on.*

Long after the deep darkness that fell upon the world,
After dawn returned in flame of rising sun,
The Spirit touched the earth again, again her wings unfurled,
Bringing life in wind and fire as she flew on.

Refrain:

*She comes sailing on the wind,
her wings flashing in the sun;
on a journey just begun,
she flies on.
And in the passage of her flight,
her song rings out through the night,
full of laughter, full of light,
she flies on.*

by Gordon Light, arr. by Andrew Donaldson
1987 Common Cup Co.

Piano postlude: The Light of the World is Jesus by Phillip Bliss and arranged by P. Drennan, 2002,
Shawnee press
Played by Pat Rustand

Selections from: *Fire and Bread and from Feasting on the Word*