

HYMN We will sing verses 1 and 2

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On Pentecost They Gathered

Acts 2:1-24, 32-47

Jane Parker Huber, 1981; rev. 1993

1 On Pen - te - cost they gath - ered quite ear - ly in the day,
2 The peo - ple all a - round them were star - tled and a - mazed
3 God pours the Ho - ly Spir - it on all who would be - lieve,
4 O Spir - it, sent from heav - en on that day long a - go,

a band of Christ's dis - ci - ples to wor - ship, sing, and pray.
to un - der - stand their lan - guage, as God in Christ they praised.
on wom - en, men, and chil - dren who would God's grace re - ceive.
re - kin - dle faith a - mong us in all life's ebb and flow.

A might - y wind came blow - ing, filled all the swirl - ing air,
What un - i - ver - sal mes - sage, what great good news was here?
That Spir - it knows no lim - it, be - stow - ing life and power.
O give us hearts to lis - ten and tongues a - flame with praise,

and tongues of fire a - glow - ing in - spired each per - son there.
That Christ, once dead, is ris - en to van - quish all our fear.
The church, formed and re - form - ing, re - sponds in ev - ery hour.
so folk of ev - ery na - tion glad songs of joy shall raise.

Jane Parker Huber explained that she wrote this text in 1981 "to fill a gap in current hymnody," in that "many of the hymns concerning the activity of the Holy Spirit do not mention Pentecost."

Tune: MUNICH 7.6.7.6.D.
Neuvermehrtes Gesangbuch, Meiningen, 1693
Harm. Felix Mendelssohn, 1847

CALL TO THE OFFERING

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Spirit Song*, words/music J. Wimber alt.

John Demler

Oh, Let the Son of God enfold you with His spirit and His love,
Let Him fill your heart and satisfy your soul.

Oh, let Him have the things that hold you,

And His Spirit like a dove, will descend upon your life and make you whole.

Spirit, Holy Spirit, come and fill our souls.

Spirit, Holy Spirit, come and fill our souls.

Oh, come and sing this song with gladness, as your hearts are filled with joy,

Lift your hands in sweet surrender to His name.

Oh, give Him all your tears and sadness,

Give Him all your years of pain, and you'll enter into life in Jesus name.

Spirit, Holy Spirit, come and fill our souls.

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DOXOLOGY

Lasst uns Erfreuen

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ the Word in flesh born low; Alleluia, Alleluia

Praise Holy Spirit evermore; One God, Triune, whom we adore.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

BLESSING OF THE GIFTS

GOING FORTH INTO THE WORLD

INVITATIONS

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SENDING PRAYER Written by Anna on her website *Grace*

Josh Hall

Soft Eyes Blessing

*"And all the believers met together constantly,
and shared everything they had...." Acts 2:44*

may the god who is community

be with us as we seek to be a community

may god bless our dreams

and may god shatter our dreams

may god help us to be real

and to find depth in weakness and brokenness

may god help us to face and grow through conflict
rather than pretend by being nice

may we look at each other through soft eyes
and truly respect each other as human beings

may god help us let go of control
and the need to fix one another

may god help us discover we are needy in our own souls
and give attention to our own hearts

may god grant us the gift of an extraordinary love
that flows from the heart of god
that covers a multitude of wrongs

BENEDICTION

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HYMN

Let Every Christian Pray (see next page)



POSTLUDE *Allegro Maestoso from Water Music* by G. F. Handel,
arr: Arthur Wildman

Ron Hanft, organ

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Let Every Christian Pray

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Fred Pratt Green, 1970; rev. 1994

Acts 2

1 Let ev - ery Chris - tian pray, this day and ev - ery day,
2 The Spir - it brought to birth the church of Christ on earth
3 On - ly the Spir - it's power can fit us for this hour:

come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come! Was not the church we love
to seek and save the lost: God nev - er has with - drawn,
come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come! U - nite, in - struct, in - spire

com - mis - sioned from a - bove? Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come!
since that tre - men - dous dawn, the gifts of Pen - te - cost.
and fill us with your fire: come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come!

Noted contemporary British hymnwriter Fred Pratt Green retired from the parish ministry in 1969 and only then commenced his prolific output of hymn texts, which can be found in every major hymnal publication of the late twentieth century.

Tune: LAUDES DOMINI 6.6.6.6.6.6.
Joseph Barnby, 1868



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