

**Parishes of Stainton with Hemlington,  
Hilton and Brookfield**

**5th June 2022 --**

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT HOME FOR**

**PENTECOST –**

**Principle Festival**

**Which marks the birth of the church**

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY**

Before three thousand people were brought into the church on the day of **Pentecost**, the disciples had spent fifty days in prayer, fasting, and spiritual travail. — **Billy Graham**

**COLLECT**

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

1 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.  
2 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.  
3 Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them.  
4 All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.  
5 Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem.  
6 And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in their native language.

7 Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?

8 And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language?

9 Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia,

10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes,

11 Cretans and Arabs – in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.'

12 All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?'

13 But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

14 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.

15 Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning.

16 No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

17 "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.

18 Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

19 And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

20 The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

21 Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'" *This is the word of the Lord*

**Thanks be to God**

**Psalm 104.25–35, 37**

**R Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.**

25 O Lord, how manifold are your works!

in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

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

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

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

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

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

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

32 May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; may the Lord rejoice in all his works.

33 He looks at the earth and it trembles; he touches the mountains and they smoke

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

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

37 Bless the Lord, O my soul, Alleluia

**A reading from the letter to the Romans.**

14 All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

15 For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!'

16 it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God,

17 and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ – if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

*This is the word of the Lord*

**Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. Glory to you, O Lord**

8 Philip said to Jesus, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.'

9 Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me?

Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"?

10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works.

11 Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves.

12 Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father.

13 I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

14 If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

15 If you love me, you will keep my commandments.

16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever.

17 This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

25 I have said these things to you while I am still with you.

26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you.

27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.'

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**We pray to God the Father, through Jesus Christ his Son our Saviour, in the power of the Holy Spirit**

Mighty God, we pray that the Church throughout the world may through the power of the Holy Spirit, make the Gospel understandable to all people of whatever their race, language, and culture. Help each baptised Christian to develop more fully their gifts of the Spirit and use them well in the service of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

**Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer**

Creator God, we pray for our Queen Elizabeth an give thanks for her wise and just rule and we pray that the Holy Spirit of Peace might help the leaders of nations to seek justice and peace especially in Ukraine. May there be good news for the poor and the broken hearted; release for those illegally or wrongly imprisoned and an end to the conflicts which lead to so much grief and mourning throughout the world. We pray for all those who are striving to rebuild in places which have been ravaged by war or natural disaster and those who have been forced to flee their homes and are now seeking refuge.

**Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer**

Father God, we pray for the neighbourhoods in which we spend our daily lives asking that each of us through the Holy Spirit might make use of our individual gifts and talents to the benefit of everyone. Help us to flourish as your church and to spread the warmth of your love to each person we meet.

**Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer**

Gracious God, sustain and strengthen, through the Holy Spirit of Healing, all who are sick and suffering in body mind or spirit. May they be brought to health and wholeness through the

mercy of Christ. With gratitude we ask blessings on those whose calling is to care for health and wellbeing of others.

**Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer**

Merciful God, may the Holy Spirit, who purifies us of sin, bring all our departed loved ones into the fullness of your eternal presence.

**Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer**

Father God, as we move forward into the busy week ahead, send the Holy Spirit again into our hearts, into our lives, and into our world.

Merciful father: **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen**

*Faith is a very powerful thing and the Holy Spirit was able to descend upon the believers of Jesus Christ only because of that!*

*Bethlehem was God with us; Calvary was God for us; Pentecost is God in us .*

**Old principles derived from scripture are still right, they are still true and valid, even if the world ignores them .**

*Dr James Dobson*

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