

# Pentecost



Welcome Words -

Let the Holy Spirit fill your hearts

I will let the Holy Spirit enter into my  
whole heart.

# What is happening here?



What can you see on this picture?



# What has this got to do with Pentecost?

The phone needed to be charged before it would work and the person in the picture needed to have some breakfast to give them enough energy to do a day's work.

In the Bible, Jesus' special friends, the disciples, seemed to need a special kind of energy, or strength, inside them before they could do the job Jesus had asked them to do.

Before Jesus went back to be with his Father in heaven, he told his disciples that he had some important work for them to do. He told them to go to Jerusalem and wait for a special helper called the Holy Spirit to come. The trouble was, the disciples did not know who this Holy Spirit was or how he would come!

They were all waiting in an upstairs room in Jerusalem when they suddenly heard the sound of the wind, which just got louder and louder! This was strange enough, but what happened next was even more amazing – flames of fire seemed to appear and sit on top of everyone's head, but no one was burnt!

What they heard and saw was truly amazing, but how they felt was out of this world! It felt as though Jesus was with them, right inside them and they understood that this was the Holy Spirit who would now be with them wherever they went.



They were so excited that they had to go outside and tell everyone else. They all started speaking at once, but in different languages so visitors from other countries who were there were amazed that they could understand what they were saying.

They were so excited and happy that some people even thought they were drunk, but Peter, one of the disciples, explained to them Jesus had risen from the dead to demonstrate God's love and power and they, too, could experience God's Holy Spirit if they wanted to. By the end of the day, around 3,000 people had become followers of Jesus. It was on this day that the disciples started the job Jesus had given them to do – the job of telling other people about Jesus.



# Reflection

So this is what Christians celebrate on Pentecost Sunday – the day when the Holy Spirit came, the day when lots and lots of people became followers of Jesus and the day when the Christian Church really started. For this reason, Pentecost is also known as the birthday of the Church.

Imagine how excited the disciples must have felt when the Holy Spirit came.

Imagine how special they must have felt inside when they realized how much Jesus loved them.

Dear Lord,

Thank you for the special day when the Holy Spirit came to the disciples. Please help us to realize how much you love us. **Amen.**

Song -

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FMZQ3ZucTnc>

# Closing Words -

Go into the world with my peace.

I will take your peace and love out into  
the world.

Tuesday 19th May

Creative Worship -

To create a birthday card for the church as Pentecost is known as the Church's birthday.