

HOLY TRINITY HEATH TOWN

Sunday 24th May 2026

9:30 am Holy Communion

Theme: Pentecost

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GREETING

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you **and also with you.**

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

HYMN/SONG

Holy Spirit, we welcome You.

Holy Spirit, we welcome You.

Move among us with holy fire,

As we lay aside all earthly desires,

Hands reach out and our hearts aspire.

Holy Spirit, Holy Spirit,

Holy Spirit, we welcome You.

Holy Spirit, we welcome You.

Holy Spirit, we welcome You.

Let the breeze of Your presence blow,

That Your children here might truly know

How to move in the Spirit's flow.

Holy Spirit, Holy Spirit,

Holy Spirit, we welcome You.

Holy Spirit, we welcome You.

Holy Spirit, we welcome You.

Please accomplish in me today

Some new work of loving grace, I pray;

Unreservedly have Your way.

Holy Spirit, Holy Spirit,

Holy Spirit, we welcome You.

OPENING SENTENCES

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people, **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.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people.

Renew the face of your creation, Lord pouring on us the gifts of your Spirit, **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.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your people and kindle in us the fire of your love.

PSALM: Ezekiel 36.24–26,28b A Song Of Ezekiel

For I will gather you up from all the nations and bring you home again to your land.

Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean. Your filth will be washed away, and you will no longer worship idols.

And I will give you a new heart, and I will put a new spirit in you.

I will take out your stony, stubborn heart and give you a tender, responsive heart. And I will put my Spirit in you so that you will follow my decrees and be careful to obey my regulations.

You will be my people, and I will be your God.

Put a new spirit within me.

CONFESSION

Almighty God, long-suffering and of great goodness: I confess to you, I confess with my whole heart my neglect and forgetfulness of your commandments, my wrong doing, thinking, and speaking; the hurts I have done to others, and the good I have left undone. O God, forgive me, for I have sinned against you; and raise me to newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

May God who loved the world so much that he sent his Son to be our Saviour forgive *us our* sins and make *us* holy to serve him in the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

COLLECT

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, ignite in us your holy fire; strengthen your children with the gift of faith, revive your Church with the breath of love, and renew the face of the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

READING: Acts 2:1-21

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN/SONG

Come down, o love divine,
Seek Thou this soul of mine
And visit it with Thine own ardour
glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
Within my heart appear,

And kindle it, Thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn,
Till earthly passions turn
To dust and ashes, in its heat consuming;
And let Thy glorious light
Shine ever on my sight,
And clothe me round, the while my path
illuming.

Let holy charity
Mine outward vesture be,
And lowliness become mine inner
clothing;
True lowliness of heart,
Which takes the humbler part,
And o'er its own shortcomings weeps with
loathing.

And so the yearning strong,
With which the soul will long,
Shall far outpass the power of human
telling;
For none can guess its grace,
Till he become the place
Wherein the Holy Spirit makes His
dwelling.

GOSPEL READING: John 7:37-39

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to You, O Lord.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

MESSAGE

CREED / AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our
Lord, who was conceived by the Holy**

Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS & INTERCESSIONS

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

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

THE PEACE

God has promised to place a new Spirit within us, to turn our hearts of stone into hearts of flesh. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

NOTICES

OFFERTORY HYMN

*Spirit of holiness,
wisdom and faithfulness,
Wind of the Lord,
blowing strongly and free;
strength of our serving
and joy of our worshipping,
Spirit of God,
bring Your fullness to me!*

You came to interpret and teach us effectively
all that the Saviour has spoken and done;

to glorify Jesus is all Your activity,
promise and gift of the Father and Son:

Spirit of holiness...

You came with Your gifts to supply all our poverty,
pouring Your love on the church in her need;

You came with Your fruit for our growth to maturity,
richly refreshing the souls that You feed:

Spirit of holiness...

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Gracious God, accept these gifts, and with them our lives to be used in your service; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy,

always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord.

This day we give you thanks because in fulfilment of your promise you pour out your Spirit upon us, filling us with your gifts, leading us into all truth, and uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith.

Your Spirit gives us grace to call you Father, to proclaim your gospel to all nations and to serve you as a royal priesthood.

Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels, and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells, to proclaim the glory of your name, for ever praising you and *saying*:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Accept our praises, heavenly Father, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

To you be glory and praise for ever.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

To you be glory and praise for ever.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise, and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Being made one by the power of the Spirit, 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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,

have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Giving of Communion

Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious God, lover of all, in this sacrament we are one family in Christ your Son, one in the sharing of his body and blood and one in the communion of his Spirit: help us to grow in love for one another and come to the full maturity of the Body of Christ. We make our prayer through your Son our Saviour. **Amen.**

BLESSING

May the Spirit, who hovered over the waters when the world was created, breathe into you the life he gives.

May the Spirit, who overshadowed the Virgin when the eternal Son came among us, make you joyful in the service of the Lord.

May the Spirit, who set the Church on fire upon the Day of Pentecost, bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ.

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen

HYMN/SONG

The Spirit lives to set us free,
Walk, walk in the light;
He binds us all in unity,
Walk, walk in the light.

*Walk in the light,
Walk in the light,
Walk in the light,
Walk in the light of the Lord.*

Jesus promised life to all,
Walk, walk in the light;
The dead were awakened by His call,
Walk, walk in the light.

He died in pain on Calvary,
Walk, walk in the light;
To save the lost like you and me,
Walk, walk in the light.

We know His death was not the end,
Walk, walk in the light;
He gave His Spirit to be our friend,
Walk, walk in the light.

By Jesus' love our wounds are healed,
Walk, walk in the light;
The Father's kindness is revealed,
Walk, walk in the light.

The Spirit lives in you and me,
Walk, walk in the light;
His light will shine for all to see,
Walk, walk in the light.

DISMISSAL

Filled with the Spirit's power, go in the light and peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.