

SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR: PENTECOST C

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CHILDREN'S ADDRESSES

MAIN POINT

The church is born – Pentecost story.

SCRIPTURE FOCUS

In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all kinds of people. (Acts 2:17)

APPLICATION

Pentecost: Pentecost Sunday closes the season of Easter. It is the celebration of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, the form of tongues of fire, descending on the followers of Christ. Pentecost has the colour of RED, symbolising the fire associated with the coming of the Holy Spirit.

AIDS

Ensure the candles on the altar are lit.

ADDRESS

Look at the altar – what do you see on top of the candle? A flame.

What do you think of when you see a flame burning on top of a candle? Jesus/ Holy Spirit.

The candle flame can remind us of a special day over 2000 years ago when God poured out his Holy Spirit on all kinds of people. On that day the good news of Jesus shined brightly from the disciples for all to see!

On that special day the disciples were together in the city called Jerusalem. Tongues of fire came from nowhere to rest on each of them. But they didn't get burnt. The disciples started to speak in lots of different languages. The people from all around the world heard what God has done for them in their own language. That day over 3000 people believed and were baptised. That was the day God poured out his Holy Spirit in a big way and the Christian church was born!

Today God still sends his Spirit into people who hear the good news of what God has done. What are some of the great things God has done for you?

e.g. He has made you, loves you, he has a plan for you to live with him forever.

God's Spirit will help you shine bright and speak of the great things God has done so that others can share the joy we have.

PRAYER

Lord God, pour out your Spirit on us today, so that we may speak of the great things you have done. Amen.

You may wish to hand out *Growing Faith at Home*, *Worship Notes* or another resource before the children return to their seats.

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