

5th June 2022

ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME:-

NOTICES:- Tom

A gathering prayer

Generous God, as we gather in this place,
give us open hearts and minds to receive all you have for us.
Renew us with your life and warm us with your love,
fill us with the power and presence of your Spirit.

Amen.

SING:- [Praise, my soul the King of heaven](#)

SING:- [Bless the Lord \(10 000 reasons\)](#)

CHILDREN'S SPOT:- Angela

[\(677\) The Holy Spirit | Animated Bible Story for Kids | Bible Heroes of Faith \[Episode 15\] - YouTube](#)

SING:- [Great is the darkness](#)

READING:- John 14:8-17, 25-27

TALK:- Simon

SING:- [\(677\) Holy Spirit Fills Me Up - Action Dance - YouTube](#)

Prayers of intercession

God of love, we thank you for the Queen's Jubilee.

As we reflect on the Platinum Jubilee celebrations across this country today and during the past week, we pray for the Queen. Thank you for her 70 years on the throne and for all she means to so many people across this nation and worldwide. Thank you for her love for you and her willingness to share her faith. As the celebrations come to their end, draw close to her. May she know the ongoing power of your Holy Spirit.

God of love, be with our Queen on this Jubilee weekend.

Holy Spirit, hear us.

God of love, we thank you for the half term holiday.

As children head back to school and many of us return to work after the extra bank holidays, we thank you for the time off. Thank you for the opportunity to spend time with family and friends, and to enjoy the change to usual routines. We pray for those who have used the half term holiday to continue revising for GCSEs and A Levels; be with them in their final exam weeks, help them to keep going, to remember what they've learnt, and to feel calm and confident.

God of love, be with us all as the holiday weekend comes to an end.

Holy Spirit, hear us.

God of love, we thank you for this Pentecost Sunday.

As we recall the events of that first Pentecost, may we be people who know the power of the Spirit in the everyday. As we remember the disciples in the upper room, may we be people who come together to pray and seek your will in this world. As we recall the Spirit falling in tongues of fire, giving the disciples new words and new languages, may we be people who communicate well with others, able to explain your love and compassion for them and those they love. As we read Peter's sermon and hear again how he unpacks your Word, help us to read the Scriptures and learn more of its truth.

God of love, be with us this Pentecost Sunday.

Holy Spirit, hear us.

God of love, we thank you for the church.

Pentecost is a time to celebrate the birth of the church, and so today we pray for our own church community. We pray for our leaders and for all who are part of our church family.

Think for a few moments about anyone in our church family who needs our prayers today and in a moment of quiet pray for them...

We think also about the worldwide church, particularly where the church is struggling with persecution. Renew your people in their faith and refresh them with the power of your Spirit.

Think for a few moments about the world-wide church and anywhere that needs our prayers today and in a moment of quiet pray for that part of the world...

God of love, bless your church across the world.

Holy Spirit, hear us.

God of love, we thank you for our world.

There is so much going on in our world at the moment. We think in particular of the conflict in Ukraine, and once again ask for peace to come quickly. We also pray for the climate crisis, for those with power to effect change that they seize the moment and do what they have promised to do. Help all of us to seek and embrace solutions, even when it means we have to change what we do.

But on this Pentecost Sunday, we are also thankful for the world we live in as it is. At the start of June, and with the summer months ahead, we pray that your Spirit will bring hope; and that we, as your church and your people, would be bearers of the hope we have in you.

God of love, bring your Pentecost hope to our world.

Holy Spirit, hear us.

SING:- [Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God](#)

A sending out prayer

(with open hands)

Fill me, Lord; fulfil your purposes for me;

(with open arms)

fill us; fulfil your purposes for us;

(moving arms to create a circle horizontally)

fill all things; fulfil your purposes for all things –

(moving hands over the surface a large imaginary globe)

in all places, for all time. Amen.