

Filled With The Holy Spirit May 31, 2020

Children's story and activities.

Sometimes the Holy Spirit by Merilee Clarke

Sometimes the Holy Spirit comes like a dove.
It fills us with God's peace, His gentleness and
His love.

Sometimes the Holy Spirit comes like fire. It is
our strength, our energizer, our purifier.

Sometimes the Holy Spirit comes like air. It is
the breath of God and like the wind that is
everywhere.

The Holy Spirit is your special friend, a gift
from God, to help you follow Jesus til the
end.

Children's talk for Pentecost - watch it on the church website
under communications and homilies for May 31

The Holy Spirit. Props; A fan, a candle, a dove

The Holy Spirit is a helper sent to us by God.... to help us through the sad times we **all** have in our lives **and to help us to experience all the joys** that God has sent to us, but most of all so we can show others how to follow Jesus.



Show the Dove

When Jesus was baptised, God sent the Holy Spirit to Him, The people who were there say that something that **looked like a dove** come down from heaven and rested on Jesus. Jesus needed help through hard times too. When you were baptized, the Holy Spirit came to live in you to help you too.

We cannot see the Holy Spirit but we can feel the Holy Spirit inside us when we feel loved, comforted and peacefuleven when scary things are happening around us we can still feel His peace. **The Holy Spirit is not a dove but is gentle like a Dove.**



Turn on the Fan;

We cannot see the Holy Spirit the same way we cannot see the wind. But we know the wind is there because **we can hear it** blowing! I can hear it whistling through the trees, down the chimney, and around the windows and doors.

We can't see the wind, but we know it is there because **we can see it blowing** the leaves on the trees.

The Holy Spirit is not air or wind but is like air and wind because it is everywhere.

Light the candle:



Another way we can know that the Holy Spirit is there is that we can see it encouraging people to do God's work. The Bible says that the Spirit of God moves his people to speak and to do things for him. (2 Peter 1:21) We can't see God, but we can see people doing things that God's Holy Spirit has given them the desire and the energy of fire to do.

The Holy Spirit is not fire but gives energy like fire.

Today, many churches celebrate a special day called **Pentecost**. It was on the day of Pentecost that God sent his Holy Spirit to the church all around the world.

The Bible tells us that the disciples were all gathered together in a room feeling sad and afraid, when suddenly there was a sound like a mighty, rushing wind. They saw what seemed to be **tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit. They were filled with the energy and the desire to tell the world about God!**

They were even given the gift to speak in other languages so they could speak in French, Hindi, German, English... so they could teach everyone to Follow Jesus.

We can't see the Holy Spirit, but we know it is there because it speaks God's word into our hearts and fills our hearts with His love.

RE-read Sometimes the Holy Spirit

Let us Pray; Father, thank you for sending your Holy Spirit. Even though we can't see it, we are thankful that we can hear it speak to our hearts, feel its presence in our daily lives, and see it moving us to do your work in the world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Group Activities

Sermon Title: ["Filled with the Holy Spirit"](#)

scripture Reading: Acts 2:1-21

CRAFT STICK CHURCH: Give each child enough craft sticks and glue to build a church. (You could also use uncooked spaghetti and marshmallows.)The children can pretend to BLOW air into the church as the HOLY SPIRIT breathed life into the church on Pentecost. Display the churches on a table and ask the children to pray for all the churches in our country to be FILLED with the Holy Spirit.

SOMETHING LIKE FLAMES LANDED ON THE DISCIPLES HEADS

Cut a strip of poster board about 2" wide. Measure it to fit around the child's head and staple or tape it together. Draw three flame shapes, small medium and large. Have the child paint or colour the large flame shape red, the medium one yellow and the small one orange. (Coloured construction paper can be used.) They may decorate the head band as well. Glue the three shapes one on top of the other and them glue or staple it to the headband.



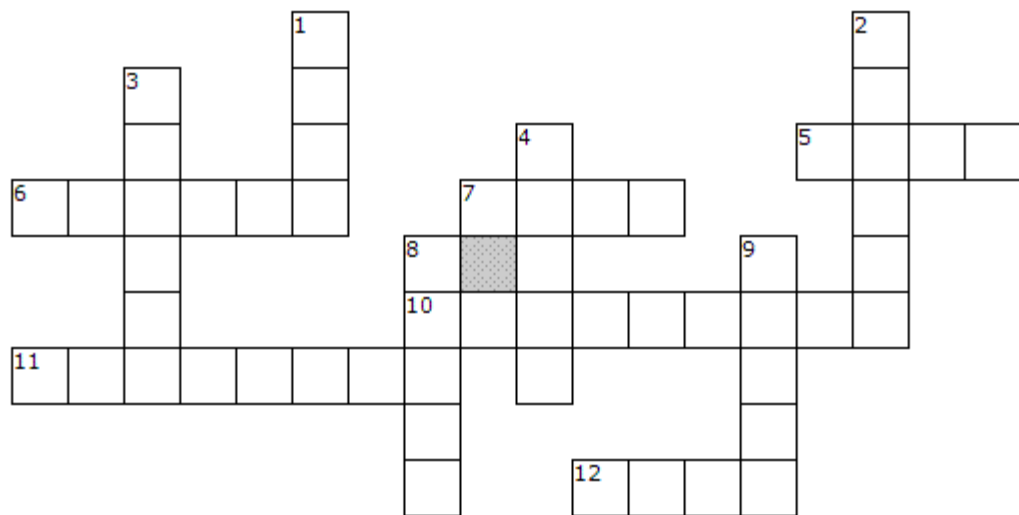
WIND AND FLAME RACES; Streamers in red, yellow and orange. Cut strips about 18-24 inches and tape them to an empty paper towel tube. Run races outside round and round the yard or park.

Colouring pages and word games follow;

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Based on Acts 2:1-21 (NIV)



ACROSS

5. Make something to be full
6. To be totally surprised
7. Something that is pure and good, such as God's Word
10. The day the Holy Spirit came upon the apostles
11. Means of communication used by the people of a particular country
12. A destructive burning

DOWN

1. Blowing air, especially that which would move the leaves on a tree
2. A being that cannot be seen, like a ghost
3. The place where God lives
4. Something that can be heard
8. To say words, to use the voice
9. A building which people live in

HEAVEN
WIND
SOUND

SPIRIT
PENTECOST
FILL

FIRE
LANGUAGE
HOUSE

HOLY
SPEAK
AMAZED



The Day of Pentecost
Acts 2

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Choose the word that best matches the definition.
Answers can be found in Acts 2:1-21 (NIV)



- ___ 1. Make something to be full
A. fill B. sound C. fire D. spirit
- ___ 2. To say words, to use the voice
A. amazed B. speak C. sound D. language
- ___ 3. A destructive burning
A. flood B. sound C. wind D. fire
- ___ 4. A building which people live in
A. house B. temple C. spirit D. holy
- ___ 5. Blowing air, especially that which would move the leaves on a tree
A. wind B. fire C. fill D. speak
- ___ 6. Something that is pure and good, such as God's Word
A. fire B. holy C. wind D. amazed
- ___ 7. Means of communication used by the people of a particular country
A. language B. speak C. sound D. fill
- ___ 8. To be totally surprised
A. spirit B. fire C. amazed D. holy
- ___ 9. A being that cannot be seen, like a ghost
A. spirit B. person C. holy D. amazed
- ___ 10. Something that can be heard
A. spirit B. speak C. sound D. amazed