

Hymns and readings for Communion at Pentecost 2020

Acts 2.1-21

I Corinthians 12.3b-13

John 20.19-23

- 1 We sing a love that sets all people free,
that blows like wind, that burns like scorching flame,
enfolds the earth, springs up like water clear:
come, living love, live in our hearts today.
- 2 We sing a love that seeks another's good,
that longs to serve and not to count the cost,
a love that, yielding, finds itself made new:
come, caring love, live in our hearts today.
- 3 We sing a love that, wandering, will not rest
until it finds its way, its home, its source,
through joy and sadness pressing on refreshed:
come, pilgrim love, live in our hearts today.
- 4 We sing a burning, fiery Holy Ghost
that seeks out shades of ancient bitterness
transfiguring these, as Christ in every heart:
come joyful love, live in our hearts today.

Gloria

Glory be to God in heaven;
peace, good will to all the earth.
Mighty God of all creation,
Father of surpassing worth:
we exalt you, we adore you,
we lift high our thanks and praise.
Saints and angels bow before you;
here on earth our songs we raise.

Glory be to Christ for ever,
Lamb of God and Lord of love.
Son of God and gracious Saviour,
you have come from heav'n above;
on the cross you died to save us;
now you reign at God's right hand.
Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us;
in your promise firm we stand.

Holy One we now acclaim you;
Lord alone, to you we call;
Holy One in faith we name you,
throned on high, yet near to all;
Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit,
in the Father's splendour bright.
For the peace that we inherit,
glory be to God on high!

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- 1 Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost,
Taught by Thee we covet most
Of Thy gifts of Pentecost
Holy, heavenly Love.
- 2 Love is kind, and suffers long
Love is meek, and thinks no wrong,
Love than death itself more strong;
Therefore, give us Love.
- 3 Prophecy will fade away,
Melting in the light of day,
Love will ever with us stay;
Therefore, give us Love.
- 4 Faith will vanish into sight;
Hope be emptied in delight;
Love in heaven will shine more bright;
Therefore, give us Love.
- 5 Faith and Hope and Love we see
Joining hand in hand agree;
But the greatest of the three,
And the best, is Love.
- 6 From the overshadowing
Of Thy gold and silver wing
Shed on us, who to Thee sing,
Holy, heavenly Love.

*Spirit of God, unseen as the wind
gentle as is the dove,
teach us the truth and help us believe,
show us the Saviour's love.*

- 1 You spoke to us, long, long ago,
gave us the written word:
we read it still, needing its truth,
through it God's word is heard.
- 2 Without your help we fail our Lord,
we cannot live his way;
we need your power,
we need your strength,
following Christ each day.

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- 1 There's a spirit in the air,
telling Christians everywhere:
"Praise the love that Christ revealed,

living, working in our world."

- 2 When a stranger's not alone,
where the homeless find a home,
praise the love that Christ revealed,
living, working in our world.
- 3 May the Spirit fill our praise,
guide our thoughts and change our ways:
God in Christ has come to stay,
we can see his power today.
- 4 There's a Spirit in the air,
calling people everywhere:
praise the love that Christ revealed,
living, working in our world.