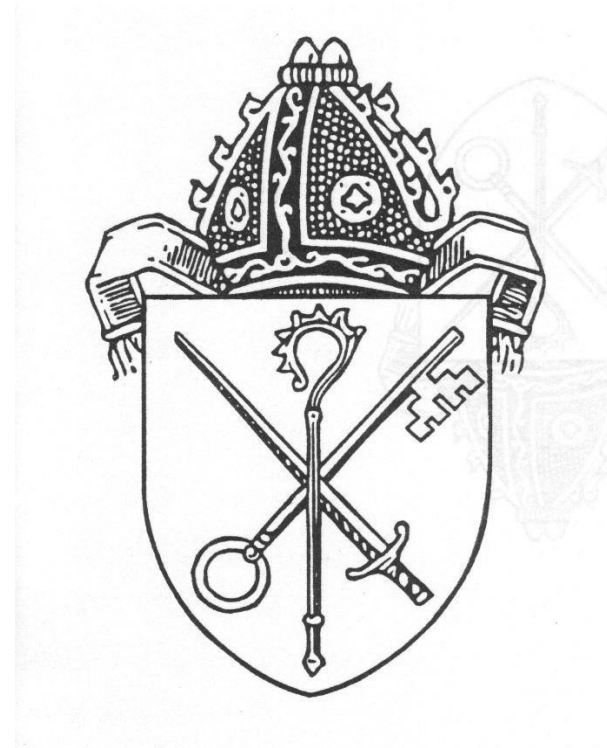


A SERVICE OF
MORNING or EVENING
PRAYER
FOR PENTECOST

taken entirely from A Prayer Book for Australia



ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF ROCKHAMPTON

1. GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME *(stand)*

Opening hymn

God's love has been poured into our hearts:

Through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

The Lord be with you:

And also with you.

As we rejoice in the gift of this day:

***So may the light of your presence, O God,
set our hearts on fire with love for you.***

Sentence of scripture.

Prayer of preparation:

***Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden,
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

Canticle: A Song of Hope

*The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me
to bring good tidings to the afflicted.*

***The Lord has sent me to bind up the broken-hearted:
to proclaim liberty for the captives
and release for those in prison.***

*To comfort all who mourn, to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of
ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, a garment of splendour for
the heavy heart.*

***They shall be called trees of righteousness
planted for the glory of the Lord.***

6. THE SENDING OUT OF GOD'S PEOPLE *(stand)*

***Giver of life and love, we thank you that you invigorate and renew us.
Living in the unity of the Spirit, may we boldly use your gifts to continue
your work in the world.***

*God did not give us a spirit of cowardice,
but a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.
May we rekindle the gift of God within us.*

***O God, stir up within us the gift of the Spirit,
that we may confess Jesus Christ as Lord,
and proclaim the joy of the everlasting gospel
wherever we may be.***

*Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.*

Final hymn

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Accept our prayers, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to 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.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

*Come, O Spirit of God,
and make within us your dwelling place and home.
May our darkness be dispelled by your light,
and our troubles calmed by your peace;
May all evil be redeemed by your love,
all pain transformed through the suffering of Christ,
and all dying glorified by his risen life. Amen*

2. THE CONFESSION (kneel)

The Spirit of truth comes to convict of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment. Let us then open our hearts and confess our sins in penitence and faith:

(a time of silence)

We pray together:

**God of all mercy,
We humbly admit that we need your help.
We have wandered from your way.
We have sinned in thought, word, and deed,
and have failed to do what is right.
You alone can save us. Have mercy on us,
wipe out our sins and teach us to forgive others.
Bring forth the fruit of your Spirit
that we may live the new life to your glory.
This we ask in the name of Jesus our Saviour. Amen.**

Words of consolation and assurance:

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. (1John 2:1-2)

3. THE MINISTRY OF GOD'S WORD *(sit)*

First Bible reading.

*May your Word live in us : **And bear much fruit to your glory.***

Psalm.

Second Bible reading.

*May your Word live in us : **And bear much fruit to your glory.***

Hymn.

Gospel reading.

The gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

This is the Gospel of the Lord :

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The sermon.

The Apostle's creed:

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
from there 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.**

4. THE GREETING OF PEACE & OFFERING *(stand)*

We are the Body of Christ :

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you :

And also with you

Sharing of the peace.

Hymn & offertory collection.

Offering prayer:

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.

Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.

Accept and use our offerings for your glory

And for the service of your kingdom.

Blessed be God for ever.

5. THE MINISTRY OF PRAYER *(kneel or sit)*

Come, Holy Spirit, creator:

and renew the face of the earth.

Come, Holy Spirit, counselor and advocate:

**Touch our lips that we may pray aright
and proclaim your word.**

Come, Holy Spirit, power from on high:

Make us agents of peace and ministers of wholeness.

Come, Holy Spirit, giver and life:

**Breathe on your church and make us a living people,
holy and free.**

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

**Come Holy Spirit, bond of love, pour your love into our hearts
that we may serve you with joy.**

The prayer for the day.

The intercessions.