

**Cruden Parish Church of Scotland
Pentecost Sunday
10.00am, Sunday 23rd May 2021**



“And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. Even on my servants, both men and women, will pour out my Spirit in those days.
(Joel 2”28-29)

Welcome & Introduction.

Welcome to Cruden Parish Church! Whether you are joining us in church or following the service online you are welcome here! We pray that you may know God’s blessing and presence during this time of praise and worship, listening and reflecting. Please feel free to join in the responses printed in bold and italic. Also, if you are following the service via Facebook, why not send a greeting in the comments page!

Call to Worship

Come, Holy Spirit,
The wind of God, the sacred breath of Life.
Come, Holy Spirit,
Our Advocate, our Counsellor.
Come, Holy Spirit,
Teacher of Wisdom, Reminder of Christ.
Come, Holy Spirit,
Granter of forgiveness, giver of peace.
Come, Holy Spirit.
Sacred breath, move through this place.

Come, Holy Spirit,
Unlock a song within your people.
Come, Holy Spirit,
Breathe into us your hopes and dreams
for a world filled with justice, love, and peace.

Let us worship God

Hymn 584 Like fireworks in the night

- 1 Like fireworks in the night
the Holy Spirit came;
disciple's fears took flight
when touched by fronds of flame:
and suddenly the world was young
as hope embraced a Saviour's claim.

- 2 For Jesus bade them dare
to venture, as they should;
his love taught them to share
their homes, possessions, food:
the mind of Jesus gave them speech
all tribes and peoples understood.

- 3 Thus God our spirits lifts
fresh daring to inspire
as common folk get gifts
to change the world entire:
the tongues of flame at Pentecost
ran through the world like forest fire.

Prayers of Approach & Lord's Prayer

***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***

Bible Reading

Acts 2: 1-13 The Holy Spirit Comes at Pentecost

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. 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 and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!"

Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"
Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine."

Sermon Mrs Janet Dick

Hymn 619 & 620 Spirit of the living God

Spirit of the living God fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the living God fall afresh on me:
Break me, melt me, mould me, fill me.
Spirit of the living God fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God move among us all;
Make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love,
Humble, caring, selfless, sharing.
Spirit of the living God, move among us all.

Church News

Prayers of Dedication & Intercession

Hymn 600 Spirit of God unseen as the wind

*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 voice 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.

Dismissal and Blessing

As people of faith, we have gathered for worship.
As people of faith, we now return to the world.

As you go forth from this place,
may the wind of the Spirit startle your senses.
and blow through your life;
may the fire of the Spirit scorch your complacency.
and light your way.
may the breath of God fill you heart with peace and love.

Go now in peace.
May the blessing of God,
the Father, the Son
and the Holy Spirit
Be with you all forever more.

Amen



Cruden Parish Church News

Although the church is now open, Covid restrictions are still in place. We appreciate your support in maintaining social distancing, the wearing of facemasks, no singing, and sitting in the marked spaces. Also, a special thanks to our volunteers on door duty and providing an enhanced cleaning regime. The service will also be broadcast live via the Facebook Page and be available for later viewing. If you would like a copy of the Order of Service, which includes the words of the readings, hymns, intimations etc., please contact Sean.

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Walking for health and well-being

We meet this Tuesday Morning (25th May) outside the St Olaf Hotel at 10.00 am for our usual hour-long gander around Cruden Bay. Everybody welcome.

General Assembly of the Church of Scotland

The 2021 General Assembly of the Church of Scotland meets this week online. You will be able to follow proceedings which we will be live streamed via the Church of Scotland Website at <https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/about-us/general-assembly>

Please remember the business of the Assembly and the Commissioners in your prayers. Cruden Parish Church will be represented by Sean, Robert & Maureen.

Mrs Janet Dick – Mission & Discipleship Development Worker for Buchan Presbytery

We are delighted to welcome to Janet who will be speaking to us this morning. Janet will be spending some of her allocated time working within the parish as we seek to develop our Family & Children's Ministry, including our forthcoming Holiday Club which begins on Monday 9th August.

Online Songs of Praise service

Many thanks for your many and varied hymn suggestions – we hope to include as many as possible! Due to unforeseen circumstances, the date of the service has been changed to 6.30 pm Sunday 13th June.

Pastoral Visiting

As we have now moved to level 2 of the Covid 19 restrictions, in person pastoral visiting has again become possible.

If you know of anybody who would appreciate a pastoral visit or phone call from Sean or the Pastoral Team, please let us know! Sean can be contacted by phone at 07791 755976 or email at: swindells@churchofscotland.org.uk