



# AMERSHAM FREE CHURCH

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2025

## MORNING WORSHIP for PENTECOST

led by The Revd Ian Green and The Revd Erna Stevenson

Organist: Richard Brazier

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*If you are able please stand for those parts of the service marked with an asterisk (\*)*

## GOD INVITES US TO WORSHIP

**\*Hymn:** Praise the Spirit in Creation *Tune: 104 R&S*

*During which the bible is placed in the pulpit*

**1. Praise the Spirit in creation,  
breath of God, life's origin:  
Spirit, moving on the waters,  
forming order deep within,  
source of breath for all things breathing,  
life in whom all lives begin.**

**2. Praise the Spirit, close companion  
of our inmost thoughts and ways;  
who, in showing us God's wonders,  
moves our hearts to love and praise;  
and God's will, to those who listen,  
by a still small voice conveys.**

**3. Praise the Spirit, who enlightened  
priests and prophets with the word;  
hidden truth behind the wisdoms  
which as yet know not their Lord;  
by whose love and power in Jesus  
God himself is seen and heard.**

**4. Praise the Spirit, sent by Jesus  
when ascended to his throne,  
who pours out on men and women  
power for turning upside down  
all the world and every people  
as the gospel is made known.**



**5. Pray we now, Lord, Holy Spirit,  
on our lives descend in might;  
let your flame burn bright within us,  
fire our hearts and clear our sight,  
till, consumed with your compassion,  
we too set the world alight.**

*Michael Hewlett in Hymns of Glory Songs of Praise CCL257/20*

## **Opening Responses**

Minister: Jesus said: You will receive power when the Holy Spirit  
comes upon you;

**All: and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem,  
and in all Judea and Samaria,  
and to the ends of the earth.**

Minister: The Lord be with you

**All: And also with you.**

## **Prayers of Adoration and confession**

**The Lord's Prayer** back cover of the hymn book



## **Welcome and Notices**

**Mission Focus: Humanity and Inclusion** *with Peter Burdin*

**\*Hymn 294:** Come down O love divine

## **WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD**

### **Introduction to the Theme**

**Readings:** Acts 2.1-4 N.T. p.101

John 14.15-21 N.T.p.93

*This morning's reader is Gillian Munro*



**\*Hymn 302:** O Breath of life

### **Sermon: Harvest at Pentecost**

*Followed by Silent Reflection Sermon notes are available as you leave and on the website.*

## OUR RESPONSE

**\* Hymn:** The Spirit lives

**1** The Spirit lives to set us free,

walk, walk in the light.

He binds us all in unity,

walk, walk in the light.

*Walk in the light, x3*

*walk in the light of the Lord*

**2** Jesus promised life to all,

walk, walk in the light.

The dead were awakened by his

call,

walk, walk in the light.

*Refrain.*

**3** He died in pain on Calvary,

walk, walk in the light,

to save the lost like you and

me,

walk, walk in the light.

*Refrain*

**4** We know his death was not  
the end,

walk, walk in the light.

He gave his Spirit to be our

friend,

walk, walk in the light.

*Refrain*

**5** The Spirit lives in you and

me,

walk, walk in the light.

His light will shine for all to see,

walk, walk in the light

*Refrain*

*Damian Lundy CCL257120*

## Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

### **\*Presentation of the Offering**

*Each week we make our gifts in a variety of ways, by placing cash or envelopes in the baskets as we enter or exit church or through direct bank giving. All these offerings are dedicated now as we sing:*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,**

**praise him, all creatures here below,**

**praise him above, ye heavenly host,**

**praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

*Thomas Ken (1637-1711)*

**\* Hymn:** Come, Holy Spirit come! *Tune: Diademata 262*

**I** Come, Holy Spirit come!

Inflame our souls with love,

transforming ev'ry heart and home with wisdom from above.

**O** let us not despise

the humble path Christ trod,  
but choose, to shame the  
worldly wise,  
the foolishness of God.

**2 Spirit of truth, arise;**  
inspire the prophet's voice;  
Expose to scorn the tyrant's lies,  
and bid the poor rejoice.  
**O Spirit, clear our sight,**  
all prejudice remove,  
and help us to discern the right,  
and covet only love.

**3 Give us the tongues to speak,**  
in ev'ry time and place,  
to rich and poor,  
to strong and weak,  
the word of love and grace.  
Enable us to hear  
the words that others bring,  
interpreting with open ear  
the special song they sing.

**4 Come, Holy Spirit, dance**  
within our hearts today,  
our earthbound spirits  
to entrance, our mortal fears allay.  
And teach us to desire,  
all other things above,  
that self-consuming holy fire,  
the perfect gift of love!



*Michael Forster CCL257120*

**\*Dismissal and Blessing with sung Amen**

*Morning Tea and Coffee is served in the Church Hall after the service*