

**Pentecost
Formed in Fire**



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Preparation

Prelude

Processional **As the Wind Song**

Welcome

Check In **What is your favourite campfire song?**

Acknowledgement of the Land

Ahniin, We acknowledge that the land on which St. Paul's United Church is located is the traditional land of the Wendat and Anishinaabe First Nations.

Today, this meeting place is still the home to many Indigenous People from across Turtle Island, including Metis and our neighbours on Christian Island, Beausoleil First Nation. We are grateful to have the opportunity to worship and work on this land. We are all Treaty people. This week, as we embrace summer travel and walking around outside, we may come across several new monuments to honour and remember the First Nations, Inuit, and Metis children who were sent to Indian Residential Schools. In Toronto, the "Spirit Garden" is located near city hall. The Spirit Garden features a statue to honour Turtle Island, a teaching space, and a Two Rivers walk.

We commit ourselves to walking in a new way together: a path of healing and hope. Chi-Meegwetch

Call to Worship

Beloved, the Spirit of Truth gathers us here to receive and discern God's good news working among us.

Come, Holy Spirit, come!

The Spirit of Love draws us together to receive and restore life-giving relationships with God and one another.

Come, Holy Spirit, come!

The Spirit of Freedom knits us together to receive and renew the bonds of empathy, justice, and peace that bind us together in the work for liberation and wholeness.

Come, Holy Spirit, come!

Beloved, the Holy Spirit is here, moving and working among us. Will you come and receive all the Spirit has to give?

We come to receive the Spirit's abundant and gracious gifts that we may be a people who live out God's truth, love, and freedom in our neighbourhood, community, and throughout all creation. Amen.

Opening Prayer

Reader: Fran Hill

Lighting of Christ Candle

Prayer As we light this Christ Candle,
may it remind us that Christ is in us and in our world.

Sung Response VU# 34 Come Now, O God of Love

Peace of Christ

Stories for All Ages: Things Unseen

Song of Praise VU# 400 Lord Listen to Your Children
Praying

Listening

Scripture Acts 2:1-21; Philippians 4:4-7
Reader: Carol MacDonald

Sermon **Formed In Fire**

Song for Reflection MV150 Spirit God, Be Our Breath

Life and Work of the Church (Announcements)

Offering of Thanksgiving

Offertory Music Choir

Offertory Response VU# 538 For the Gift of Creation
For the gift of creation, the gift of your love,
and the gift of the Spirit by which we live,

we thank you and give you the fruit of our hands.
May your grace be proclaimed by the gifts that we give.

Celebrations and Concerns

Prayers of the People **Reader : Fran Hill**

Song for the Journey VU# 289 It Only Takes a Spark

Extinguishing the Candles

Blessing

Closing VU# 12 verse 4

Postlude