

Dear Families:

Happy Pentecost! This day is also known as the birthday of the Christian Church. We celebrate the day that the Holy Spirit was sent to Earth to be with all who follow Jesus, guiding us in all we think, do and say.

Jesus' followers had gathered in a locked room, hiding from the Jews. Suddenly, a noise like a violent wind blew into the room, and small tongues of fire landed on the heads of each Apostle. The apostles began to speak in several different languages, preaching and teaching about God. Some people thought they were drunk, but many visiting pilgrims were amazed to hear Galileans preaching fluently in their native languages from distant lands! Then Peter announces to the crowd that what had been spoken by the prophet Joel had come to pass: God had poured out His Spirit upon men, and all whomever should call on the name of the Lord shall be saved. Peter called on the crowd to repent and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

God gives us the same charge today. He wishes for us to tell people about Jesus, near and far. He calls us to bring others to Christ by our words, actions, and our prayers. Luckily, he sends us the same Holy Spirit in order to help us with this Great Commission.

Youth Sunday is right around the corner! The date has been changed to Sunday, June 7 during worship service to accommodate the church's Festival of Music which will be held on June 14. The youth will showcase some of the projects they've made this year, as well as entertain us with a song. We will also have a Sunday School Awards ceremony. We will also say goodbye to Nathaniel as he "graduates" from Sunday School and becomes confirmed as a new member of the church. Come celebrate with us!

Thank you for being with us today!

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