
“The Church is on Fire”

Children’s Sermon Object about Pentecost



Main Objective: Jesus promised to send the Holy Spirit, and that promise was fulfilled at Pentecost. This event also served as a beautiful reminder of God’s power, and of the purpose of the church. This message should communicate to kids what Pentecost was and did, and should inspire them to love and share with one another.

Law/Gospel Theme: Before the saving work of Jesus, our salvation was dependent on following the law. Christ promised to fulfill that law and send the Holy Spirit to energize the church. The events of Pentecost assure and remind us that Jesus worked for us, spoke truth, and wants us to share His love with one another. We should be encouraged and energized to share the Gospel and the love of God.

Optional Materials: Pinwheel, balloon, gift bag, hair dryer, candle, lighter, fan (optional)

Bible Passage: Acts 2:1-12

Message: Note: As with most messages, the details of how you choose to communicate this are adaptable and should cater to timing as well as to your audience and student needs. Use your judgment and ideas to best serve students.

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Pentecost Children's Sermon (Acts 2:1-12)

Greet children, and show off your desired form of "wind."

Hello, children of God! I want to show you something... *Demonstrate an air-powered item. Wave a fan, blow into a pinwheel, let go of a balloon, blow a hair-dryer, etc.* Wow, did you see that wind? That was cool! Well, maybe you didn't exactly see the wind. After all, we can't see things like air or wind, at least not with our eyes. But we can definitely see what those things do, right?

We see the effects of the wind and how it moves things, and we breathe the air to stay alive, so we know it's important. Today we are talking about something else that you can't see with your eyes, but that has amazing and important impact on what we do. And we are also discussing an important event that happened in the church. Before Jesus went up into Heaven, He promised the disciples to send them a special helper, the Holy Spirit.

Ten days after the Ascension (fifty days after Easter), it happened. Everyone was waiting together, wondering what might happen. Then suddenly, there was a sound and a big rushing wind (*blow a fan or hair dryer, if accessible*). And there were little tongues of fire that appeared on top of the disciples' heads! (*Hold up a candle if desired.*)

The people were filled with joy and excitement. The Holy Spirit came! The disciples couldn't wait to share the news of Jesus with everyone around them. And another amazing thing happened. There were a lot of people visiting Jerusalem, from several countries. They spoke many different languages, but when the disciples started to speak, everyone could understand them in their own language!

Without studying or taking classes, they could speak in all sorts of languages. Some people were skeptical, though, and said that they were drunk. Peter spoke to the crowds and let them know what was happening, quoting Scripture and reminding everyone that prophecies had been spoken about these events. Many people believed, and came to know about Jesus. In fact, some people say that this was the "birthday" of the early church. After this event, people began meeting with one another and sharing, spreading the Gospel good news throughout the world!

And it doesn't stop there. The great news of the Pentecost story is that we, too, can have that power from the Holy Spirit. God dwells in us so that all who believe in Him can receive the spirit from Jesus. Our job is to keep spreading the good news, and to keep loving people.



We might not have flames above our heads or speak in different languages, but we can celebrate the church and how God works through it. Church is not just a building or a worship service...it's the body of Christ, called to do His work in the world.

We can love others and shine the light of Jesus all around us. We can be on fire for Him in our hearts, and communicate that through our lives. What a blessing and privilege to be part of something so important! What are you waiting for? Let's share the good news!

Children's Prayer Moment

(Have kids repeat each line)

Dear God,

Thank you for sending your spirit

Thank you for the amazing story of Pentecost

And for your church

Help us to share the good news

And spread your love to one another

Thank you for your love

We love you, God!

In Jesus name, Amen!

Bible Verses/story to Reference

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested^[a] on each one of them. ⁴And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the



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Spirit gave them utterance. ⁵Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷And they were amazed and astonished, saying, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? ⁹Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, ¹¹both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.” ¹²And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” But others mocking said, “They are filled with new wine.” ¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. ¹⁵For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day.^[b] ¹⁶But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷“And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams;

¹⁸even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;

²⁰the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.

²¹And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

-Acts 2:1-21





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