



# Peel Valley Congregation

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**Acts 2:1-21 (NIV)**

## **The Holy Spirit Comes at Pentecost**

<sup>2</sup> When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place.

<sup>2</sup> Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting.

<sup>3</sup> They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them.

<sup>4</sup> All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

<sup>5</sup> Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven.

<sup>6</sup> When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken.

<sup>7</sup> Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans?" <sup>8</sup> Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? <sup>9</sup> Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup> Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome <sup>11</sup> (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" <sup>12</sup> Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"

<sup>13</sup> Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine."

## **Peter Addresses the Crowd**

<sup>14</sup> Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. <sup>15</sup> These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! <sup>16</sup> No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup> "In the last days, God says,  
I will pour out my Spirit on all people.  
Your sons and daughters will prophesy,  
your young men will see visions,  
your old men will dream dreams.

<sup>18</sup> Even on my servants, both men and women,  
I will pour out my Spirit in those days,  
and they will prophesy.

<sup>19</sup> I will show wonders in the heavens above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood and fire and billows of smoke.

<sup>20</sup> The sun will be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood  
before the coming of the great and glorious day  
of the Lord.

<sup>21</sup> And everyone who calls  
on the name of the Lord will be saved.'

**Psalm 104:24-34, 35b (NIV)**

<sup>24</sup> How many are your works, LORD!

In wisdom you made them all;  
the earth is full of your creatures.

<sup>25</sup> There is the sea, vast and spacious,  
teeming with creatures beyond number—  
living things both large and small.

<sup>26</sup> There the ships go to and fro,  
and Leviathan, which you formed to frolic there.

<sup>27</sup> All creatures look to you  
to give them their food at the proper time.

<sup>28</sup> When you give it to them,  
they gather it up;  
when you open your hand,  
they are satisfied with good things.

<sup>29</sup> When you hide your face,  
they are terrified;  
when you take away their breath,  
they die and return to the dust.

<sup>30</sup> When you send your Spirit,  
they are created,  
and you renew the face of the ground.

<sup>31</sup> May the glory of the LORD endure forever;  
may the LORD rejoice in his works—

<sup>32</sup> he who looks at the earth, and it trembles,  
who touches the mountains, and they smoke.

<sup>33</sup> I will sing to the LORD all my life;  
I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

<sup>34</sup> May my meditation be pleasing to him,  
as I rejoice in the LORD.

<sup>35</sup> But may sinners vanish from the earth  
and the wicked be no more.  
Praise the LORD.

**Romans 8:14-17 (NIV)**

<sup>14</sup> For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God.

<sup>15</sup> The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father."

<sup>16</sup> The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.

<sup>17</sup> Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

We have an anchor that keeps the soul  
steadfast and sure while the billows roll;  
fastened to the Rock which cannot move,  
grounded firm and deep in the Saviour's love!

~ Robin Mark ("Will Your Anchor Hold")

.... enjoy & share the gift of the friendship of Jesus



### IN OUR PRAYERS

- We pray for the many migrants who have moved to Tamworth in the past few years. We pray for acceptance for them, and that they may be able to put down roots into our community.
- We pray for travellers over the long weekend.
- We give thanks for safe travels for Susie, Evelyn and Tony who have been overseas, and return to Tamworth this weekend.
- We give thanks for the rain that has fallen, and pray for further falls.
- We give thanks for the medical facilities available to us in Tamworth.

### Meg's Musings

Our recent cold snap has has a different impact on different trees around our city. The leaves on the top third of our Fig tree have been blackened by the cold - they were vulnerable because of the lack of ground moisture. The Chinese Tallowood trees at the top of White Street are suddenly a blaze of colour. The cold weather has triggered the carotene into action. The "coral" at the top of the Coral trees have been bleached by the frost. Different events also trigger different responses in human beings. Misfortune brings out the best in some people whilst creating anger, despair or resentment in others. Winning Lotto or the lottery can be great for some people. It has the opposite effect on others who may be unable to cope with the sudden reversal of fortune, friends and situation. Whatever we encounter in life, taking it to God, and asking for His help is the life-giving way forward.

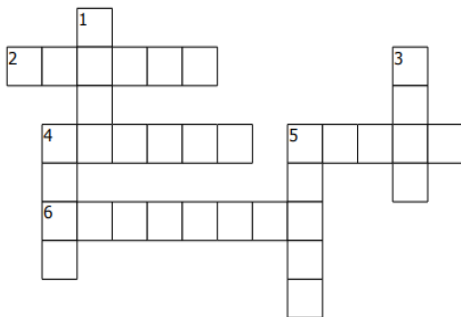
Blessings from Meg



## The Day of Pentecost

All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Acts 2:4 (NIV)

Based on Acts 2:1-21



#### ACROSS

2. A being that cannot be seen, like a ghost
4. The place where God lives
5. Something that can be heard
6. Means of communication used by the people of a particular

#### DOWN

1. A destructive burning
3. Blowing air, especially that which would move the leaves on a tree
4. Something that is pure and good, such as God's Word

Ain't no pot so crooked, you can't find a lid to fit. ~ Unknown

### John 14:8-17, 25-27 (NIV)

- <sup>8</sup> Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us."  
<sup>9</sup> Jesus answered: "Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?"  
<sup>10</sup> Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work.  
<sup>11</sup> Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves.  
<sup>12</sup> Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father.  
<sup>13</sup> And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son.  
<sup>14</sup> You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

### Jesus Promises the Holy Spirit

- <sup>15</sup> "If you love me, keep my commands.  
<sup>16</sup> And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—  
<sup>17</sup> the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.  
<sup>25</sup> "All this I have spoken while still with you.  
<sup>26</sup> But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.  
<sup>27</sup> Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

- 3 June ~ Tony Orr
- 6 June ~ Meg Mangan
- 7 June ~ Shirley McMahon
- 11 June ~ Glenda Whitten
- 17 June ~ Elphie Lang
- 18 June ~ Heather Budden



### CHURCH SERVICES

16 June **TRINITY SUNDAY**  
11am **West**

~ Rev Chris Wright



### PEEL VALLEY CONGREGATION

Our goal: "To be transformed communities, experiencing, enjoying & sharing the gift of the friendship of Jesus "

Mission: "Called to be Free, Gifted to Serve."

Pastoral Care: **Meg Mangan 0466 337 005**

**Elders:** Margaret Crowell Ross Davidson Bruce Jarrett



**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month**

~ Luncheon @ West

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month**

~ Markets @ **Hallsville**

23 June

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