



# 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>1</sup>

<sup>2</sup> Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?".....*continued*

We are all connected to everyone and everything in the universe.

Therefore, everything one does as an individual affects the whole.

All thoughts, words, images, prayers, blessings,

and deeds are listened to by all that is.

~ Serge Kahili King

## CHURCH SERVICES Pentecost

30 May 11 am Hallsville ~ Meg Mangan.

Southside Men's Choir.

City and Southside are invited.

Followed by nibble-style lunch.



## Acts 2:1-21 (NIV)

### 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.

Other Lectionary Reading for this week:

Rom 8:22-27 Ezek 37:1-14 Ps 104:24-34,35b 

3 June ~ Tony Orr

6 June ~ Meg Mangan

7 June ~ Simon Hansford

8 June ~ Kevin Hicks

11 June ~ Glenda Whitten

17 June ~ Elphie Lang

18 June ~ Heather Budden



## 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 0476 375 989

Elders: Margaret Crowell Ross Davidson Bruce Jarrett



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### IN OUR PRAYERS

- We pray for Heather Blanch and her family. Her eldest son, Ian, died last weekend after a long battle with cancer.
- We pray for Bruce, who is having ongoing problems with shingles.
- We continue to pray for Jan Parker. She is still unable to bare weight on her reconstructed ankle.
- We give thanks that so many of our congregation members have received their first dose of the Covid19 vaccine.
- We pray for everyone whose lives have been impacted by Covid19 - almost everyone in the world.



### Meg's Musings

A couple of weeks ago we thought that we would get a take-away Indian meal.

After making our selections, I tried to phone the restaurant. There was a message that the phone was disconnected.

It is disappointing when a favourite restaurant closes down.

But I wondered. Did the family running the restaurant have family members in India who had died?

Had they relied on Indians arriving in Australia to act as cooks?

Was everything alright for the couple and their two young children?

We were not frequent enough patrons to even know their names, but I do feel concerned about them.

As Christians we have the privilege of being able to pray for people we are concerned for.

That is so much better than feeling that there is nothing we can do... we can pray, and we can care.

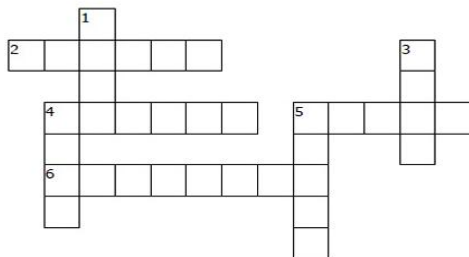
Blessings from Meg



### 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 country

#### 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
5. To say words, to use the voice

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### John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15 (NIV)

<sup>26</sup> "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf.

<sup>27</sup> You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

<sup>4b</sup> when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them.

#### The Work of the Spirit



"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you.

<sup>5</sup> But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?'

<sup>6</sup> But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts.

<sup>7</sup> Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.

<sup>8</sup> And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment:

<sup>9</sup> about sin, because they do not believe in me; <sup>10</sup> about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer;

<sup>11</sup> about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

<sup>12</sup> "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now.

<sup>13</sup> When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.

<sup>14</sup> He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

<sup>15</sup> All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

"What day is it?"  
"It's today," squeaked Piglet  
"My favourite day," said Pooh."

