

Hello Trinity Episcopal Church Sunday School Families,

This week's lesson is titled, "God Sent the Holy Spirit at Pentecost." This lesson, from Acts 2:1-21, tells of the day of Pentecost, when God sent His Holy Spirit to breath life into the church and believers began witnessing to others. Our scripture verse for this week is Acts 2:4 - All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

<https://sermons4kids.com/> is the homepage and where you will find the sermon lesson to read to your children. The lesson this week incorporates balloons of different sizes. If you just have round balloons, you can omit the part about the long skinny balloons. If you don't have balloons, you could use bubbles to fill with breath, modifying the reading accordingly. Please use parental discernment with young children and balloons.

At the bottom of the lesson are links to print a coloring page, word search, a crossword puzzle and more. Feel free to use any of these supplemental activities for your child's individual level. There is also a link to group activities. These can be modified for those of you with only one child, so they are definitely worth taking a look at to enhance the lesson.

On the group activities link, some of the activities that look fun are the Bible Verse Balloons, Pillow Case Art and Craft Stick Church. If you don't have any craft sticks for the church, you could cut out strips of construction paper to glue onto a background paper. you could leave the strips at the doorway cut open and rolled back a bit so that children can blow into their church as the Holy Spirit was blown into the church. At the bottom of this email, below the Daily Discussion Questions and Prayers, you will find instructions to make a 3-D church out of marshmallows and hard spaghetti. Group Activities link: [https://sermons4kids.com/ascension\\_group\\_activities.htm](https://sermons4kids.com/ascension_group_activities.htm)

For a song with simple hand motions to follow along to, check out CityKids Worship - "Holy Spirit" <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5QvunZKzLI8> There are also many other songs which are relatable to this week's lesson, as the Holy Spirit is such an integral part of our lives. There are also two great songs with lyrics and musical accompaniment posted at the bottom of the group activities page. A fun activity to do with your children could be to listen to some Christian radio and call out when you/they recognize that the song playing is speaking about the Holy Spirit.

We pray for the peace and health of you all. We miss you and can't wait to see you again soon!

God bless you,

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### **Elementary Discussion Questions:**

This week, kids learned in Acts 2:1-21 about the day of Pentecost. God sent His Holy Spirit to breathe life into His church so the church would be all that God intended for it to be. After the Holy Spirit

breathed life into the church, people began telling everyone they saw about Jesus. Bible Memory Verse: "All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them." Acts 2:4

### Discussion Questions:

What happened when the people were filled with the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost?

What did you learn about the Holy Spirit this week?

What does the Bible tell us about how we can be saved?

How does the Holy Spirit help you tell others about Jesus?

Who will you share the Gospel with this week?

### Prayers:

Talk to God about filling your family with the Holy Spirit.

Thank God for sending the Holy Spirit to be with us.

Thank God for salvation in Jesus.

Pray for boldness and opportunity to tell those people about Jesus.

Pray for the person you mentioned above.

### **Pentecost Spaghetti and Marshmallow Church Craft Instructions:**

- Give each child several pieces of broken in half spaghetti and 11 large marshmallows.
- Poke your spaghetti into the marshmallows to build a church building as described below or using their own creativity.
- Use four marshmallows as the foundation, connected by the spaghetti to form a square.
- Place a piece of spaghetti in each marshmallow vertically, then add a marshmallow to the top of that piece.
- Connect those top marshmallows with four pieces of spaghetti.
- Add the steeple by putting two pieces of spaghetti diagonally in both the front and back "walls" and connecting at the top with a marshmallow and then one piece of spaghetti to connect those two marshmallows and make the roof ridge line.
- On the front top marshmallow, insert a stick of spaghetti vertically, then add a marshmallow halfway down and insert another smaller stick of spaghetti horizontally to make the cross atop of your church.
- After you've completed your church, pretend to blow air in your church.

Say: On the day of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit breathed life into the church. We're going to put all our churches together on this table and pray that all the churches in our country would be filled with the Holy Spirit.

Lead the children in prayer.