

3. Let holy charity,  
my outer garment be.  
and lowliness become my inner clothing;  
true lowliness of heart, which takes the humbler part,  
and for its own shortcoming sweeps with loathing.
4. And so the yearning strong,  
with which the soul will long,  
shall far outpass the power of human telling;  
for none can guess its grace till we become the place  
in which the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Congregation*

*Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be Your name.  
Your kingdom come,  
Your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us in time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours  
now and forever. Amen.*

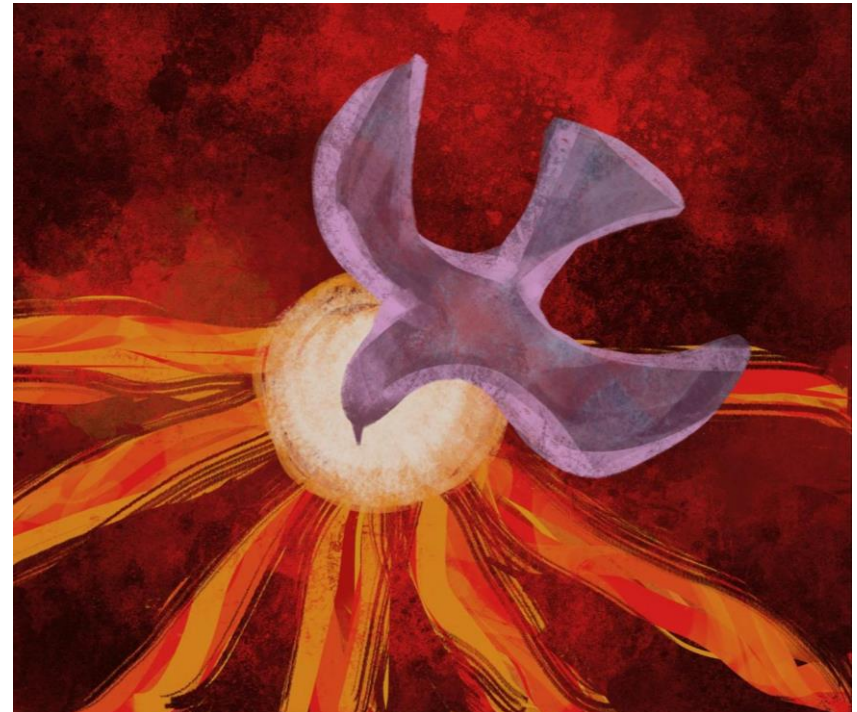
#### BENEDICTION

*Krikor Youmshajekian*

Let us remember -  
that the Holy Spirit comes to us, lives in us and gives power to us.  
May the Holy God guide us in the pathways of truth,  
Christ Jesus gather us into a loving community as His Body  
and the Spirit inspire us and call us on into joy. *Amen!*

## Narrabri Uniting Church St. Andrew's Uniting Church Longueville

# PENTECOST SERVICE



**ORDER OF SERVICE**

**28 May 2023**

**APOSTLES' CREED**

*Congregation*

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.*

*I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day He rose again;  
He ascended into heaven,  
He is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and He will come to judge the living and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.*

**SERMON:**

*"God's Gift"*

*Bob Minton*

**NOTICES & OFFERING:**

**HYMN:**

*Come Down, O Love Divine*

*Congregation*

1. Come down, O Love divine,  
seek now this soul of mine,  
and visit it with thine own ardour glowing;  
O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear,  
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.
2. There let it freely burn,  
till earthly passions turn  
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;  
and let your glorious light shine ever on my sight,  
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.



5. Come, Holy Spirit, dance, within our hearts today,  
our earth-bound spirits to entrance, our mortal fears allay;  
and teach us to desire all other things above,  
that self-consuming holy fire, the perfect gift of love.

### **A LITANY FOR PENTECOST**

*Krikor Youmshajekian*

Let us pray to God the Holy Spirit, saying: Come, Holy Spirit, come.  
Come, Holy Spirit, creator, and renew the face of the earth,

*Come, Holy Spirit, come.*

Come, Holy Spirit, counsellor, and touch our lips that we may proclaim  
your word.

*Come, Holy Spirit, come.*

Come, Holy Spirit, power from on high, make us agents of peace and  
ministers of wholeness.

*Come, Holy Spirit, come.*

Come, Holy Spirit, breath of God, give life to the dry bones of this exiled  
age, and make us living people, holy and free.

*Come, Holy Spirit, come.*

Come, Holy Spirit, wisdom and truth: strengthen us in the risk of faith.

*Come, Holy Spirit, come.*

### **A PENTECOST PRAYER**

*Krikor Youmshajekian*

May the God of all things, who spoke by the Holy Spirit, through the  
prophets, and sent the Spirit forth upon the apostles here in Jerusalem on  
the day of Pentecost, send Him forth now upon you also, and through Him  
guard us, imparting His bounty in common to all of us, so as to exhibit  
always the fruits of the Holy Spirit, charity, joy, peace, benignity,  
goodness, faith, mildness, chastity in Christ Jesus our Lord, through whom,  
and with whom, together with the Holy Spirit, be glory to the Father, now  
and always and for ever and ever. *Amen!* *(Cyril of Jerusalem)*

### **HYMN:**

*Congregation*

*O Breath of Life, Come Sweeping Through Us*

1. O breath of life, come sweeping through us,  
revive Your church with life and power;  
O breath of life, come cleanse, renew us,  
and fit Your church to meet this hour.

2. O wind of God, come bend us, break us,  
till humbly we confess our need;  
then in Your tenderness remake us,  
revive, restore: for this we plead.

3. O breath of love, come breathe within us,  
renewing thought and will and heart;  
come, love of Christ, afresh to win us,  
revive Your church in every part.

4. Revive us, Lord! Is zeal abating  
while harvest fields are vast and white?  
Revive us, Lord, the world is waiting,  
equip Your church to spread the light.

### **PRAYER OF INTERCESSION**

*Krikor Youmshajekian*

Loving Father, who gives life to all, we trust to Your keeping those who  
have died in the service of this country. Lord, hear us.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

We pray for all who suffer from the effects of war; grant them Your  
peace and healing strength; and for those who in sadness recall lives  
lost; grant them comfort in the hope of resurrection. Lord, hear us.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

May we be inspired by the determination of those who have served in  
the fight for freedom, justice and peace. Lord, hear us.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

Loving Father, have mercy on our broken and divided world. Give Your  
Spirit of peace to all people and remove from them the spirit that makes  
for war, that all may live as members of your family. Lord, hear us.

*Lord, hear our prayer in Jesus' name. Amen.*

### **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

*Krikor Youmshajekian*

Hear this Good News: God is in the business of creation.

In the beginning, the Spirit hovered on the face of the waters, and God  
created all things.