

**Yellowknife United Church**  
An Affirming Ministry and Congregation of  
The United Church of Canada  
Pentecost Sunday - May 20, 2018



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\*rise in body or spirit

## **Gathering**

### **Welcome**

### **Acknowledgement of Territory**

### **Lighting the Candles**

#### **\*Introit** VU 382 Breathe on Me, Breath of God (*Verse 1*)

Breathe on me, breath of God, fill me with life anew  
That I may love what thou dost love, and do as thou wouldst do

#### **\*An Echo Prayer for Pentecost**

*The worship leader will pray a line combined with an action,  
which you are then invited to echo back.*

With the beat of a wild wing (*clap hands together*)

With the rush of a mighty wind (*rub hands together,  
building friction*)

With the Pentecost flame (*place hot palm against forehead*)

Touch us, Holy Spirit! (*Open and cross hands, linking thumbs,  
so hands become a bird*)

Love us into being, Spirit of God! (*Bird flies one way*)

Love us into wholeness,

Spirit of Wisdom! (*Bird flies another way*)

Love us into newness, Spirit of Christ!

(*Bird flies straight up and hands undo, arms opening in praise*)

Spirit come! Alleluia!

May it ever be!

Adapted from a prayer written by Richard Bott, **Gathering**, Pentecost 1, 2015 page 25.  
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## **\*Hymn 23 MV Wind of Change**

### **A Prayer of Confession in Song 376 VU Spirit of the Living God**

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| 1. Spirit of the living God,<br>fall afresh on me<br>Spirit of the living God<br>fall afresh on me.<br>Melt me, mould me,<br>fill me, use me.<br>Spirit of the living God,<br>fall afresh on me. | 2. Spirit of the living God,<br>move among us all<br>Make us one<br>in heart and mind,<br>Make us one in love<br>Humble, caring, selfless, sharing<br>Spirit of the living God,<br>fill our lives with love! |
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### **Words of Assurance**

Here, there, and everywhere, the Spirit of God is falling:  
in gentle showers and ferocious torrents,  
upon our heads, washing us clean  
and making all things new.

Here, there, and everywhere, the Spirit of God is falling:  
softly, like dandelion fluff, ready to produce new life  
even in places where it is not welcomed;  
loudly, in the shouts of children released from  
cloistered classrooms and in morning's birdsong.

We are covered in it. We are covered by it.

**It looks like grace. It feels like love.**

**Let it fall afresh on us!**

Adapted from one written by Michele Rowe, Gathering, Pentecost 1, 2015, page 26.  
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## **Listening**

### **The Life and Work of the Community**

### **Learning with Children**

### **Song 380 VU She Flies On**

<b>Christian Scripture:</b>	Acts 2: 1-21
<b>Responsive Reading:</b>	Psalm 104 <i>Part Two pg 827 VU</i>
<b>Gospel Reading:</b>	John 15: 26-27; 16: 4b-15

**Sermon**

All Heaven is Breaking Loose

**Responding**

**\*Hymn** 196 VU Wind Who Makes All Winds that Blow

**Minute for Mission** – Embracing the Spirit

**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings** *Doxology VU 541*

**Prayers of the People**

**\*Hymn** 150 MV Embracing Change

**\*Commissioning and Benediction**

We are the church!

We follow where the Spirit leads,

daring to be risk takers wherever we go!

**We are filled with the breath of the Holy Spirit!**

May the blessing of God, Creator, and Giver of Life,

the Son, Life of God incarnate,

and the Holy Spirit, bearer and power of new life-giving

among all people

be with us now and forever.

**Amen.**

**\*Choral Response** 156 MV Dance With the Spirit

Dance with the Spirit, early in the morning

Move with the Spirit throughout the long day

Work and hope for a new life a bornin'

Listen to the Spirit to show us the way