

THE VOICES OF PENTECOST

Acts 2: 1-21 (NRSV ad.)

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Verses 1-4:

(English) When the day of Pentecost had arrived, [the disciples] were come together all in one place. And suddenly from heaven came a sound like the rushing of a mighty wind, filling the entire house where they sat. Divided tongues that looked like fire appeared among them, a tongue resting on each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Verses 5-8:

(Spanish, 5-8) Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem.

(add Tamil, 6-8) And at this sound, a crowd gathered and was confused, because as the disciples spoke, each person heard it in their own native language.

(add Korean, 7-8) Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? So how is it that we hear, each in our own language?"

Verses 9-11:

(English) Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, of Pontus and Asia, of Phrygia and Pamphilia, of Egypt and those Lybian territories belonging to Cyrene; also visitors from Rome, both Jews and Jewish converts, along with Cretans and Arabs – in their own languages they heard the disciples speaking about God's powerful acts.

Verses 12-16:

(French, 12-16) All were confused and said to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

(add Cantonese, 14-16) But Peter, standing with the other disciples, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "People of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, understand this, and listen to what I say.

(add Tagalog, 15-16) These people are not drunk, as some of you think. It's only nine o'clock in the morning! No, this is what was prophesied by the prophet Joel:

Verses 17-18:

(German, 17-18) "Thus says the Lord: In the last days I will pour out my Spirit on all living things; and your sons and your daughters shall speak prophecies, and young people shall see visions, and old people shall dream dreams.

(add Xitsonga, 18) Even upon my servants, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, says the Lord, and they too shall speak prophecies.

Verses 19-20:

(All languages) "And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the coming of the great and glorious Day of the Lord.

Verse 21:

(English) "Then everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

(All languages, with congregation) Then everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved!

WITNESS IN SONG

Spirit Song

SPIRIT SONG

Susan Morrow, *Leader*

O let the Son of God enfold you
With his Spirit and his love
Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul
O let him have the things that hold you
And his Spirit, like a dove
Will descend upon your life and make you whole.

Refrain:

Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

O come and sing this song with gladness
As your hearts are filled with love
Lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name
O give him all your tears and sadness
Give him all your years of pain
And you'll enter into life in Jesus' name.

Refrain

