The Footscray Baptist Church celebrates the God-given diversity of cultures. We welcome you to join us in the journey of faith, whatever your race, religion, capability, gender or sexuality.

Order of Servíce - Pentecost Sunday June 5th, 2022

Praise Songs

- Be Still For the Presence of the Lord <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZugvUQ4m90U</u>
- Welcome Holy Spirit <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ch-b1VkttqQ</u>

Welcome

Acknowledgement of Country

For thousands of years Indigenous people have walked in this land, on their own country. Their relationship with the land is at the centre of their lives. We acknowledge the Wurrundjeri people of the Kulin Nation and their stewardship of this land throughout the ages. We honour their history, their elders, past, present and emerging and commit to work for reconciliation between all people, God and the land. Welcome everybody to worship!

Lighting the Candles - Jesus said, I am the Light of the World

Call To Worship

Come now and worship our God And celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit

Spirit of God, breath into our lives, enlarge our dreams Enhance our love for each other and the world

Spirit of God, cut through our fears and doubts Light in us a fiery passion to be your brave people

Come, Holy Spirit, Come!

(Based on a prayer in 'Liturgies for High Days' by Dorothy McRae-McMahon, p. 117)

Hymn: O Worship The King https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MWe1j0G_-aM

Lítany Prayer

Who puts the copper into beach trees and the waddle into penguins who chose the colours of a rainbow and put shapes into clouds The Spirit of creation God's imagination

Who put the notes into music and picked the dance steps for bees who placed the hum in humming birds and decided elephants would listen with their feet

The Spirit of creation God's imagination

Who invented yeast to make bread rise and put the curve into a banana who made laughter infectious and chocolate taste like heaven

The Spirit of creation God's imagination

Today is Pentecost and we celebrate the energy of God who created us and brings us together in a colourful and loving community We call her the Spirit

(Written by Roddy Hamilton, and posted on **Listening to the Stones.** http://newkilpatrickblog.typepad.com/nk-blogging/mucky-paws)

Bible Reading: Acts 2:1-21 (NRSV)

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Fellow Jews^[a] and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ In the last days it will be, God declares,that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,

and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.
¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.
¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.
²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Passing the Peace

Shalom my friends God's peace my friends Go with you now And stay with you In all you do Shalom, shalom.

Bible Reading John 14:15-17. 25-27 & Romans 8:14-17

¹⁵ "If you love me, you will keep^[C] my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate,^[d] to be with you forever. ¹⁷ This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be^[c] in^[f] you.

²⁵ "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you, of all that I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

Romans 8:14-17

14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. 15 For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" 16 it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, 17 and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ--if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Children's Talk: "

Reflection: The Spirit of Community

Welcoming Into Membership

This morning we formally welcome into membership 4 people -

There are many different gifts but the same Spirit who gives them. There are many different ways of servicing but the same Lord who is served. Will you join this community as it endeavours to love and serve the God with creativity, imagination and courage?

them

Footscray Baptist Church, will you encourage and support them in all they do to grow in their faith and in service to God in this place?

On behalf of this church community, we offer you the 'right hand of fellowship'

FBC, will you welcome them into membership of this church community with applause.

Khosh Amady - Welcome!

As we come to our time of communion, we ask that you all be served first today.

Communion Song: One Bread, One Body https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FG9T8UmN6VY

Communion

Invitation

Come, gather around the table Claim your place here All are equal in the eyes of God None more worthy than another Come, share in the feast.

(From 'Liturgies for High Days' by Dorothy McRae-McMahon, p. 121)

Prayer of Preparation

It is our joy, O God, to give you thanks.

By your creative breath you created our beautiful world And You created us to hear your word and do your will

You sent your Son, to show the way, for us to follow And the truth we need to know.

You sent your Holy Spirit to strengthen and guide To warm and revive your church.

As we eat this bread and take this cup, By your Spirit make us bread ready to be broken, Wine ready to be shared To be your presence in the world. Amen.

(Based on prayers in 'Be Our Freedom Lord', p 218 & p,220)

Words of institution - Luke 22:14-20

¹⁴ When the hour came, Jesus and his apostles reclined at the table. ¹⁵ And he said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. ¹⁶ For I tell you, I will not eat it again until it finds fulfillment in the kingdom of God." ¹⁷ After taking the cup, he gave thanks and said, "Take this and divide it among you. ¹⁸ For I tell you I will not drink again from the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." ¹⁹ And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me." ²⁰ In the same way, after the supper he

took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you.

Sharing the bread \mathcal{E}_T wine

This is the bread of life And this is the wine of compassion The gifts of God, for the people of God.

(From 'Liturgies for High Days' by Dorothy McRae-McMahon, p. 123)

Prayers for the Church and World

Remembering:

- Those known to us who struggle with their health
- For those who wait to hear about their visas
- **Orange Sky** the volunteers and those who use the service and share a meal with us
- Families attending the 'Come & Try' Playgroup
- Peace in **Ukraine**
- Places of unrest & conflict Myanmar & Ukraine
- Our new elected parliamentarians
- Places and people affected by Covid especially those know to us & those grieving the loss of loved ones
- The peoples of **Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe**
- For our neighbours at **Westhaven**
- <u>Baptist Mission Australia</u> Please pray for the women on staff with our Christian Partners across the 18 countries where we work, including Nepal, Malawi, Cambodia and Lebanon, that they may have renewed energy, protection and deep hope.
- <u>Baptist World Aid</u> for their work amongst children and young church leaders in Papua New Guinea, Zimbabwe and South East Asia
- Our friends at Sanctuary and the Houses of Hope in Footscray

Silence – in the silence and through our minds and imaginations we bring prayers which words cannot contain:

(p. 56-7 A Wee Worship Book)

God of the world,

We pray now for your people and all of creation.

Where there is sadness and pain, come, Spirit of comfort

Where there is apathy and indifference, come, Spirit of creativity

- Where there is fear and trembling, come, Spirit of courage
- Where there are lies and dishonesty, come, Spirit of truth
- Where there is division and estrangement, come, Spirit of unity
- Where there is hurt and betrayal, come, Spirit of forgiveness
- Where there is unfairness and prejudice, come Spirit of justice
- Where there is slavery and captivity, come, Spirit of freedom
- Where there is despair and disillusionment, come, Spirit of hope
- Where there is indecisiveness and disagreement, come, Spirit of wisdom
- Where there are tears and suffering, come, Spirit of joy

Where there are harsh words and hate speech, come Spirit of gentleness

In this place, come, Spirit of creativity, imagination and love. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Song: Spirit of God, Unseen as the Wind

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4GkOKql5ogw&list=RD4GkOKql5ogw&start_radio= 1&rv=4GkOKql5ogw&t=80&t=72

Offering

Loving God,

We bring you this money for the work and worship of this community and beyond. May it be a sign of our commitment to you, each other and our world. Amen.

(Based on a prayer in 'Be Our Freedom Lord', p. 198)

• Offerings can be made by using our direct debit facility

Footscray Baptist Church BSB: 083 437 Account No: 515383063

News & Notices

- Upcoming Services
 June 12 Infant Dedication
 June 19 Celebrating World Refuge Day (June 20)
 June 26 Church Lunch
- Save the Date June 26th, Church Lunch following the service, catered, come and join us
- **Bible Study –** at office on Monday June 6th at 5.30pm
- Sharing a Meal with Orange Sky come along on Monday night from 6.30pm to help serve and share a meal with those using the Orange Sky laundry service.
- **Reflective Prayer** –continues on Thursday June 9th 5pm on zoom. Please contact Cheryl or Ros for an invite.
- Copies of the service and sermon can be found on our website.
- **Office Hours** Grace will be in office on Tue, Wed & Thu from 10.30.am 1.00pm. Cheryl will be there on Mon afternoons and Thu/Fri mornings.
- Food Donations for Sanctuary canned chickpeas, red lentils, tuna in oil, oil, kidney beans. Please no cereal as they do not eat cereals.
 Food for Orange Sky vegemite, peanut butter, 2 min noodles

Song: We are One in the Spirit https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cfg5VTyDkyA

Blessing

Spirit of God, warm our hearts to love our neighbours

Spirit of God light our path that we might walk in truth Spirit of God, rise in us with a passion for freedom Spirit of God, gather us in the celebration of your life. Amen.

(Based on prayer in 'Be Our Freedom Lord', p.354)