

GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER



# CELEBRATING PENTECOST IN WORSHIP

## SOME IDEAS:

### 1. Invite everyone to wear red.

Provide red streamers, strung beads, scarves etc for anyone who forgets.



### 2. Balloons

- Hang red, yellow and orange balloons from the ceiling of your church.
- Pentecost colours, with helium, on strings—attached to the end of each pew.

### 3. Visuals

- Decorate your worship space with the symbols of Pentecost: tongues of fire, doves. Use banners or pennants.
- Invite children to cut out doves and pass them out during the passing of the peace.

### 4. Readings

- Have several people (prepared beforehand) to share about the gifts God has given them and how they use them for ministry and spreading God's word.
- Invite several people (scattered throughout the congregation) to read the reading from Acts 2:1-21. Make sure they have their part ahead of time to practise.
- Invite people throughout the congregation to read the reading from Acts 2:1-21, simultaneously in different languages.

### 5. Song suggestions

- All Together 99 *Pentecost Prayer*
- All Together 202 *Move when the Spirit says move*
- All Together 249 *Dreams and Visions*
- All Together 359 *Holy Spirit Living Water*
- Praise & Worship 454 *Spirit of the Living God*
- Lutheran Hymnal 129 *Breathe on me breath of God*



### 6. Morning Tea

Provide a special "birthday party" morning tea following your worship service:

- Birthday cake! You could use candles that never blow out—talk about how the church will also never be extinguished!
- Sing Happy Birthday to the church.
- Invite members to bring dove - or flame-shaped biscuits.
- Other party food could include red, yellow and orange fruit platters.
- Red jelly cakes.

