

## Pentecost

### WELCOME

I want to show you a few things this morning. First, I want to show you something that I have had for over 55 years. This is a very special blanket that my mother made for me when I was a baby. This blanket is so soft and I loved sleeping with it. My Mom has told me stories about how much I loved to have this blanket with me when I didn't feel good or maybe even upset about something. This is another blanket that my Mom made, but she made it for my oldest son, Seth. All of my boys used this blanket when they were small. My Mom also made a very unique type of "blanket". I really don't think we can call it a blanket. My Mom made this for one of my sons because he was extremely fascinated with buttons – buttons of all shapes and sizes. There was a time when he was a toddler when he was sick and we weren't for sure what was wrong with him. He had to see several doctors and have lots of tests done. One thing that made him feel better was to feel buttons. So, my Mom made a special towel covered in all sorts of buttons – different shapes, different colors. The one thing that all of these blankets have in common is that they made us all feel "comforted".

Our story today is about a "comforter". I'm not talking about the comforter that covers your bed. I'm talking about a "comforter" that makes us feel safe and loved. This is also another one of God's promises that Jesus told His disciples about before He went to Heaven.

So, let's **READ STORY FROM Jesus Calling Bible Storybook**

There are some very special things about the Holy Spirit. First, the Holy Spirit is a promise of God. God knew we needed a special friend to call on when we sometimes feel lost, lonely or confused. The Holy Spirit can be our helper when we don't know what to do. The Holy Spirit also gives us courage to do the job that God has asked us to do and helps us to make good choices. When Jesus lives in our hearts, the Holy Spirit is a special gift from God.

I want to show you something else. This is a wind chime. How many of you have something like this hanging outside your house? I love wind chimes. I love to hear the wind moving them to make sounds that almost sound like a song. We can think of the Holy Spirit like this: we don't see the wind that moves the wind chimes or even the leaves on the trees, but we **do see** what the wind does when it moves the wind chimes or leaves. This is how we can think of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is not something that we can see, but we can definitely **feel** the Holy Spirit.



**MEMORY VERSE** – We have a new memory verse this week so let's start learning it together.

Even though we are not in class together, you can still do many of the things that we usually do together. I am including our coloring sheet, craft and worship songs for your parents to download.

- Show coloring page
- Show craft – Here is a pattern to make your own pinwheel.

<https://practicallyfunctional.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/Pinwheels.pdf>

Also take a walk this weekend in your neighborhood and see how many houses have their own windchimes. How many do you count? How many different songs do you hear?

- Worship songs – this is a great time to teach your parents some of your favorite songs and the motions that we do. (Just don't let them know it's also great exercise!)

**Mom & Dad:** Here are a couple of things for you. These are some more of my favorite books that I think you would enjoy reading together as a family:

**A Picture of God: 3 in 1** by Joanne Marxhausen. This book does a fantastic job of explaining the Trinity in a way that makes it easy for everyone to understand. I really encourage you to get this book and share it with your children.

This is a book that I received this week in an e-mail. It is a book written specifically for children about the coronavirus. I think it's a great tool to help explain and discuss the coronavirus:

<https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.mindheart.co%2Fdescargables&data=02%7C01%7Clowens%40co.hendricks.in.us%7C7426d57c94fb496f360008d7da8d41d5%7Cf22f0e7fe07d45e4b3c0d6d2dbf57392%7C0%7C0%7C637218172554591513&sdata=yg3uLaXf7kOMHqVltgIJD68zwliWPS8RQR7bpVbUmdY%3D&reserved=0>



I hope you have enjoyed today's story and know just how much Jesus loves you! I love you too and can't wait to see you again!!

\*Downloads:

Coloring sheet from Gospel Light coloring book

Make your own pinwheel

This video is called "God's Wonderful Gift", and that is exactly what the Holy Spirit is for us. This is another great tool to explain the Holy Spirit and the special role He plays in our lives.

<https://youtu.be/xYuSMuKaRwg>

Worship songs:

If You're Happy and You Know It

<https://youtu.be/bnmlUzoV75k>

Jesus is my Best Friend

<https://youtu.be/tER4Jx6LyZk>



# God sends the Holy Spirit.

Acts 2:1-13



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After Jesus went back to heaven, His friends prayed and stayed together in Jerusalem. One morning, a sound like a strong wind blowing filled the house where they were staying. Something that looked like a small fire sat on top of each person's head! The Holy Spirit Jesus promised had finally come!

There were people from many different places staying in Jerusalem. These people spoke many different languages. When they heard the noise, they gathered around the house to see what was going on.

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Jesus' friends began to speak in other languages, telling all the people about Jesus. The people in Jerusalem were amazed because they heard what Jesus' friends were saying about Jesus in their own languages! Many people believed in Jesus and started to tell other people about Jesus, too.



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for detailed instructions



