



**Inverurie** West Parish Church

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## **Order of Service: Sunday 8 June 2025**

Welcome to worship with Inverurie West Parish Church. Whether you are joining us online or in-person; as a newcomer, occasional visitor, or regular, we are delighted to have you with us. This morning we celebrate the festival of Pentecost when the Spirit was seen and felt among the disciples, and reflect on Jesus' words about what his spirit is here to do.

After the service all are welcome to stay for our Stated Annual Meeting. Teas and coffees will be served after the meeting.

### **Welcome and notices**

### **Call To Worship**

### **SPIRIT OF GOD COME DWELL WITHIN ME (CH4 722)**

#### **Opening Prayer (Including the Lord's prayer)**

Our heavenly father  
May your holy name be honoured  
May your kingdom come  
May your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us today what we really need  
Forgive us the wrong we do  
as we forgive those who wrong us

Lead us away from temptation  
Keep us safe from evil

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours forever  
Amen

## Intro to the word

### THIS IS THE DAY (CH4 194 )

#### Readings: Acts 2: 1-4 read by Linda Duncan

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. 2 Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. 3 They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. 4 All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

#### John 14: 15-27

15 “If you love me, keep my commands. 16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— 17 the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. 18 I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. 19 Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. 20 On that day you will realise that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. 21 Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them.” 22 Then Judas (not Judas Iscariot) said, “But, Lord, why do you intend to show yourself to us and not to the world?” 23 Jesus replied, “Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. 24 Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me. 25 “All this I have spoken while still with you. 26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

## Reflection

### **SHE SITS LIKE A BIRD (CH4 593)**

## Prayer

### **WE SING A LOVE (CH4 622)**

## Grace

## Blessing

## News

**Stated Annual Meeting** - this follows today's service and all are welcome to stay. The meeting should take approximately half an hour and is an opportunity to hear about how and what the church has been doing over the last year. Teas and coffees will be served afterwards.

**Pentecost** - Inverurie District Churches Together will be hosting a special Pentecost service this evening at 630pm in the Our Lady church hall on North Street. This will be an ecumenical celebration with input from a range of churches, including ours. Please do consider attending and supporting the spirit of Christian unity across denominations for this important shared festival.

**Fundraising Garden talk and Swift walk** - Join our community garden and climate action teams on Thursday 19th June at 7pm for an enjoyable and informative evening. David Hunter from the Habitat People will be giving a talk on 'Gardening for Wildlife' with some native plants on sale. This will be followed by a short 'Walk and Talk' around the centre of town led by Cally Smith of Huntly Swift Group (the walk will leave the centre at 8pm) Tickets are £5 and include tea/coffee and fancy pieces served at 730pm.

**Garden Party** Save the date! Sunday July 27th. Isla, Sharon & Alison are having another of their popular garden parties this summer, in aid of the maintenance of the organ.

**Bike Ride** - Fetternear Hall is now booked on Saturday 30 August for the Bennachie Bike Ride. Plenty time to get 'race fit'! Meanwhile, volunteers are definitely needed. Please speak to Joyce Petrie if you are able to help.

**Fire Alarm Testing** - The Fabric Team will be testing the fire alarm after hospitality time today.

**Foodbank** - We don't have a current wishlist from the Foodbank but regularly needed items include: Tinned spaghetti/macaroni, Tinned meat (hot or cold), Tinned vegetables, Tea bags (40s/80s, please), Tinned tomatoes, Small jars of coffee, Pot noodles/Mug Shots, UHT Milk (semi-skimmed or full cream)

**Fundraising and Stewardship** - If you regularly shop online please do consider registering with the Easyfundraising website and nominating Inverurie West Parish Church as your chosen charity. Once you do so, every time you use the site to link to major retailers like Amazon, Tesco or Expedia and make a purchase, the church gets a small donation. The address for registration is : <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/inverurie-west-parish-church>

**Practical help** - if you, or anyone you know need shopping, errands etc done, we have lots of volunteers keen to help. For assistance ring Joyce Petrie on 01467 620932 or email [help@inveruriwestchurch.org](mailto:help@inveruriwestchurch.org)

For prayer requests, joys and concerns, or content which you would like shared on Sunday, please email Rhona on [r.cathcart@inveruriwestchurch.org](mailto:r.cathcart@inveruriwestchurch.org) by Saturday night, or you can text her on her mobile.

Donations to the work of the church (either nationally or to an individual congregation like ours) can be made online at <https://cos.churchofscotland.org.uk/donate/11>