

Opening Prayer:

Loving God, draw us closer to your heart, that we might know you better and understand you more completely. From the security of what we know to the adventure of what you will reveal - **Lead us, we pray, in Jesus' name – Amen.**

**1. Psalm 23**

“What a picture of my Master, sharing the wine, the very life blood of His own suffering from His overflowing cup, poured out at Calvary for me. He is there with me in every storm. My Shepherd is alert to every approaching disaster that threatens His people. He has been through the storms of suffering before. He bore our sorrows and was acquainted with our grief.

And now no matter what storms I face, His very life and strength and vitality is poured into mine. It overflows so the cup of my life runs over with His life...often with great blessing and benefit to others who see me stand up so well in the midst of trials and suffering.

What would YOU say about Psalm 23?

Jesus said to the Apostles  
YOU shall be MY  
WITNESSES Acts 1:8;  
Jerusalem, Judea Samaria,  
ends of the earth

**2. Ascension Sunday** – (launch of CAW; launch of Labyrinth).  
“You shall be my witnesses” – how do we feel about these words of Jesus?



**3. Pentecost**

Do you have a favourite Holy Spirit hymn?  
The Church's birthday – do we celebrate enough?

Noisy  
Godly disorder  
Holy disarray  
Spontaneous  
Spirit filled  
Energetic

Passionate about the Gospel

A “turn back and be rescued” kind of place



**4. Trinity Sunday – new series on the early Church**

**Where the church today finds itself stagnant, unattractive, humdrum and shrinking – it's time to read Acts 2: 42-47 again, get down on our knees, and ask, “What ISN'T happening that should be happening?” The Gospel hasn't changed. God's power hasn't diminished. People still need rescuing. What are we doing about it?**

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As we go – Holy Spirit of God:  
May your presence continue to enrich our debates, enlighten our world, and guide us in new directions. Amen.