

# **Pentecost 2003**

## **Pentecost: Where Do We Go From Here?**

**SEEKERS CHURCH**

**A Christian Community**

*In the Tradition of the Church of the Saviour*

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### **REFLECTION**

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and after having made it,  
again tremble in fear of having chosen  
wrong.

Isak Dinesen, "Babette's Feast"

### **PRELUDE**

## **SILENCE**

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Now God is saying: "What are you doing here?"

People: We have been zealous for you, God,  
and we are alone!

Leader: God says: "Go out and stand before me."

Voice 1: Now there was a great wind,  
and after the wind there was an earthquake.

Voice 2: And after the earthquake, there was a fire,  
and after the fire, there was silence.

Leader: God says again: "What are you doing here?"

## **INVOCATION**

## **HYMN**

## WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

### SILENCE

### RESPONSIVE READING

Leader:           It is not ourselves we proclaim,  
                          but Christ Jesus as Sovereign  
                          and ourselves as workers for Jesus' sake.

People:           God said, "Let light shine out of darkness."  
                          This light now shines in our hearts.

Leader:           This light in us reveals the glory of God  
                          shining in the face of Christ.

All:                       And yet this treasure is held in earthen  
vessels,  
                          making clear that its surpassing power  
                          comes from God and not from us.

### SILENCE

### PRAYERS

#### CONFESSION

Leader:           As deer long for flowing streams,  
                          Our souls long for you, O God.

People:           Our souls thirst for you, living God.  
                          How shall we come into your presence?  
                          Behold your holy face?

Leader: We are cast down, disquieted,  
the distance between us and you  
brings us to grief.

All: We long for your spirit within us,  
the healing water of your grace  
refreshing our hearts.  
We are cast down, our souls disquieted.

#### ASSURANCE

Leader: We tremble before making our choice in life,  
and after having made it,  
again tremble in fear of having chosen  
wrong.  
But the moment comes when our eyes are  
opened,  
and we see and realize that grace is  
infinite.

All: Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

#### HYMN



with us all!

All:                   Amen.

## Liturgy Resources

Call to Worship: Based on 1 Kings 19:8-15

Responsive Reading: Based on 2 Corinthians 4:5 -7

Confession: Based on Psalm 42

Assurance: Isak Dinesen, "Babette's Feast"

Benediction: Based on 2 Corinthians 13:11-15