

Acts 2:1-21

Pentecost – Pass It On!

ASK

- Good morning!
- We're at home instead of at church today, so let's talk about why.
[\(See this link to Suggestions from the Mayo Clinic.\)](#)
- What do we do to stay safe and well at this time?
- Do you know the word for when we can catch something from someone else? (contagious)
- Usually, when we hear the word "contagious," we think of it in terms of bad things being contagious – like colds. But good things can be contagious, too. (smiling, helping, singing, cheering, clapping)
- Like laughing -- sometimes if someone is laughing really hard then you might start to laugh, too. Ever have that happen to you?

TELL

- In the scripture story that we read today, we hear of another good thing that is contagious. And that is God's Holy Spirit.
- While something like a cold or a laugh can be passed on without any thinking, it does take some learning to "catch" God's Holy Spirit. In fact, this is one of the main things Jesus taught his disciples to do when they were following him.
- So in today's story, which we call the Pentecost story, we hear about how the disciples finally learned to catch God's Holy Spirit like Jesus taught them.
- Then, once they caught God's Holy Spirit, we hear that the disciples started talking to the people around them about God and Jesus.
- And people were curious about what the disciples were saying. The story says that 3000 people believed that day.
- In other words, Jesus' students had become teachers and now had their own students!
- And, one of the main things the disciples taught their new students is the same thing that Jesus had taught them – how to receive and then pass on God's Holy Spirit!

SHARE Read Acts 2: 1-21

- When God's Holy Spirit is being passed on, it is God's love, hope, healing and wisdom that is being shared with one another.
- How God's Holy Spirit is best shared is from one person to another. Just like the disciples, we too can learn how to catch God's Holy Spirit from Jesus and from each other.
- Then, we too can share God's love, hope, healing and wisdom with those around us – just like Jesus and the disciples did!
- And, when we do that, we are helping keep God's Holy Spirit contagious!
- That's the good news for today.

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