



The Day of Pentecost

Baptism with the Holy Spirit

Text: Acts 2:1-21

Explain: Jesus had promised, before going to Heaven, that He would send the Holy Spirit for the disciples. He kept that promise, and this is what happened:

The Waiting Room: After Jesus went back to heaven, His friends (*called disciples*) gathered together in a room. They were waiting for something exciting that Jesus promised.

Boom! Flames! Suddenly, there was a loud noise like a **big wind!** And guess what? **Flames** appeared on their heads! Not scary flames, but gentle ones. It was the Holy Spirit coming to visit them.

Speaking in Super Languages: The disciples started talking in different languages they didn't even know! Imagine if you could suddenly speak Japanese or Spanish without learning it—cool, right? They were telling everyone about Jesus and God's love.

Crowd Confusion: People from all over were in town for another special day called **Pentecost**. They were amazed to hear the disciples speaking their own languages. Some thought the disciples were just babbling, but others understood and believed.

Peter's Brave Speech: Peter, one of Jesus' best friends, stood up and explained everything. He told everyone about Jesus, how He died and came back to life. Many people decided to follow Jesus that day!

So, we celebrate the Holy Spirit's visit and how God's love spreads to everyone, no matter where they come from.

Remember: the Holy Spirit is our special helper, guiding us and reminding us of God's love every day!

Power Point

Jesus is our
Baptizer with
the Holy Spirit.

Dig into God's Word

Let's read Acts 2:1-4. (*Have volunteers to read verses.*) What did it sound like in the room that the believers were gathered in? (Verse 2) What unusual sight happened in that room? (Verse 3) Who filled the believers? (The Holy Spirit) What did He help them to do? (Speak in other languages) (Verse 4)

Explain: The apostles were obeying Jesus' instructions and were gathered in Jerusalem. It had been 10 days since Jesus had ascended (went back up) to heaven. On this day Jews that had travelled from many different countries were gathered in Jerusalem. The Jewish people were gathered to celebrate a feast called Pentecost. This special feast is a time where God's people brought gifts as offerings to God. (Leviticus 23:15-21)

On that very day the people witnessed God's promise that He made so many years ago come true. God kept His promise and sent the Holy Spirit. The disciples received the Holy Spirit and were able to begin sharing the good news of Jesus with everyone. It is our job also to share this good news of Jesus with others and the Holy Spirit will help us do it with joy!



Flame Headbands

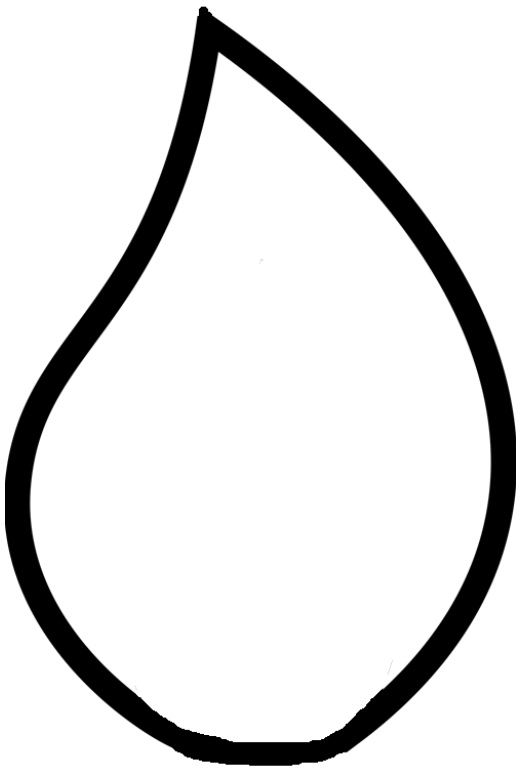
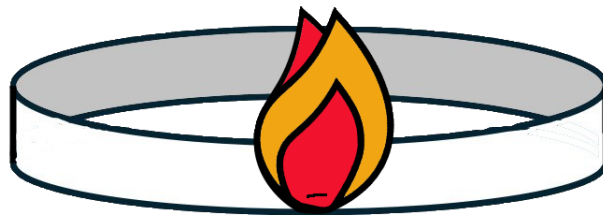
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You will need:

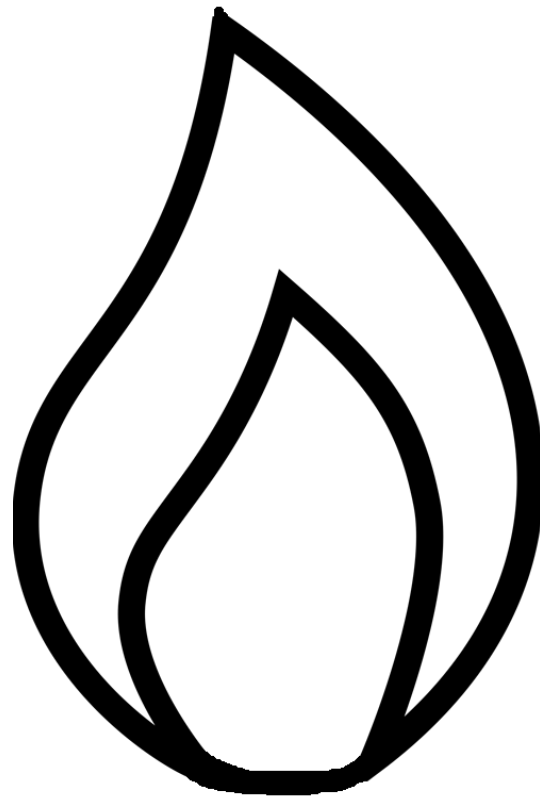
- Construction paper (any color you prefer)
- Red and orange paper for flames
- A stapler, glue, tape
- Decorations such as stickers, markers, crayons, glitter, sequins, jewels, etc.

Instructions:

- Cut enough strips of construction paper headbands for each child's head.
- Cut out the red and orange flames.
- Allow the children time to decorate their headbands and put their names on them.
- Staple (or glue/tape) the flames to the front of each child's headband.
- Measure the size of each child's head and staple their headband to fit.



Cut from red paper



Cut from orange paper