**Acts 2:1-21 Pentecost Telling**

When the day of Pentecost had come,

they were all together in one place.

And suddenly from heaven

there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind,

and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.

Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them,

and a tongue rested on each of them.

(v4) All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit

and began to speak in other languages,

as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews

from every nation under heaven

living in Jerusalem.

And at this sound the crowd gathered

and was bewildered,

(v6b) because each one heard them speaking

in the native language of each.

Amazed and astonished,

they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?

And how is it that we hear,

each of us,

in our own native language?

Parthians, Medes, Elamites,

and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia,

Phrygia and Pamphylia,

Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene,

and visitors from Rome,

both Jews and proselytes,

Cretans and Arabs—

in our own languages

we hear them speaking

about God’s deeds of power.”

All were amazed and perplexed,

saying to one another, “What does this mean?”

But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.”

But Peter,

standing with the eleven,

raised his voice and addressed them,

“People of Judea

and all who live in Jerusalem,

let this be known to you,

and listen to what I say.

Indeed, these are not drunk,

as you suppose,

for it is only nine o’clock in the morning.

No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

In the last days it will be, God declares,  
 that I will pour out my Spirit upon everyone,  
     and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
 and your young men shall see visions,  
     and your old women shall dream dreams.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women,  
    in those days I will pour out my Spirit;  
        and they shall prophesy.

Then everyone who calls on the name of God shall be saved.’