



Creative scripture reading - 3 readers



for the 2022 Pentecost Offering

Reader 1: On the day of Pentecost

Reader 2: Not a day too soon

Reader 3: Not a day too late

Reader 1: Not two weeks post Easter

Reader 2: Not three weeks, nor four

Reader 3: But exactly fifty days

Reader 1: Did the Spirit pour out power,

Reader 2: With a mighty wind that shook the whole house

Reader 3: With what seemed like tongues of fire

Reader 2: Dancing and swirling above each one's head

Reader 1: Driving each one to praise God in a language they did not know.

Reader 3: Why, today, that could be ____ *

Reader 2: or ____ *

Reader 1: or ____ *

Reader 3: or ____ ! *

Reader 2: How would we know what praise was being offered to God?

Reader 1: Surely God would speak in English so that I could understand!

Reader 2: And yet there were in that place devout Jews from every known land

Reader 3: Each with an accent and idioms and phrases all their own.

Reader 1: With the Spirit stirring the proverbial pot and mixing the soup,

Reader 2: what a feast of the Spirit was prepared for the church!

Reader 3: It made them so giddy they were thought to be drunk

**Fill in languages not likely known in your congregation. Examples: Arabic, Bengali, Creole, French, Hindi, Hausa, Indonesian, Japanese, Mandarin, Portuguese, Punjabi, Russian, Spanish, or Swahili.*

Reader 1: Until Peter made it clear that the Spirit was at work.

Reader 2: They fell to their knees then and asked from the heart

Reader 3: What must I do now to join and be part

Reader 2: of this new divine working of God's power on earth?

Reader 1: Repent and be baptized and join what God's starting

Reader 3: All peoples together and joined in one place.

Reader 2: All cultures

Reader 1: All languages

ALL: All tribes and all nations

Reader 1: Bring praise and thanksgiving for Christ's grace and truth.

Reader 2: Come, Spirit, come power, come Christ to revive us

Reader 3: Disturb us and shake us and change us forever.

ALL: We praise You. We love You. We give You our lives!