

Mary is Waiting



Mary is waiting.
The women are waiting.
The men are waiting.

They are all waiting for the
Holy Spirit to come, just as
Jesus has promised.

Suddenly, they hear a loud
noise in the sky, like a strong
wind.

They see flames,
like fire touching each
person. They shout praise
to God in many languages.

"Yes!" shout all the friends of
Jesus. "The Holy Spirit is here!
God has done great things!"

Living the Good News
Day of Pentecost – A





Holy Spirit, Come to us!

Sing this song to the tune of "Mary Had a Little Lamb":

Holy Spirit, come to us,
come to us, come to us,
Holy Spirit come to us,
we are waiting here.

We will sing out God's good news,
God's good news, God's good news.
We will sing out God's good news,
now the Spirit's near.



Today your child heard the story of Pentecost, the day the Holy Spirit filled the first disciples of Jesus. Read the story in Acts 2:1-11. Why does God send us the Holy Spirit? Christians believe we are thus empowered to carry on the work of Jesus in the world, to be Jesus Christ in the world today.

Our world longs for the peace that God's people, empowered by God's Spirit, can bring to every family and nation. We help our children grow in their ability to make peace when we teach such peacemaking skills as:

- identifying feelings: Knowing when we are angry is the first step toward dealing constructively with that anger.
- finding alternatives to physical aggression: We can help children express their feelings through talk, art, fantasy and movement.
- working cooperatively: From games to chores, family life is filled with opportunities to teach children how to work together.