

# Sunday School Grade 0

## A.G.A.P.E. Curriculum

[Appreciating God-Given Abilities of Persons with Exceptionalities]



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- The A.G.A.P.E. curriculum is for exceptional student education [ESE] for Sunday School. It is designed by the Coptic Orthodox Diocese of the Southern United States.
- This is a modified curriculum designed for individuals with special needs.
- This curriculum is intended to be taught alongside with the general Sunday School program for each grade.

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- Inclusion is an important aspect of the social and learning paradigm of individuals with special needs.
- Stewards serving children and youth with special needs should try to integrate the students in the mainstream classes for as much time as can be tolerated by the student with special needs.
- Integration and inclusion foster friendships among the same age peer group.

# Preparation for Pentecost

## Lessons for the Pentecost

- **Lesson Outline: Week 7**

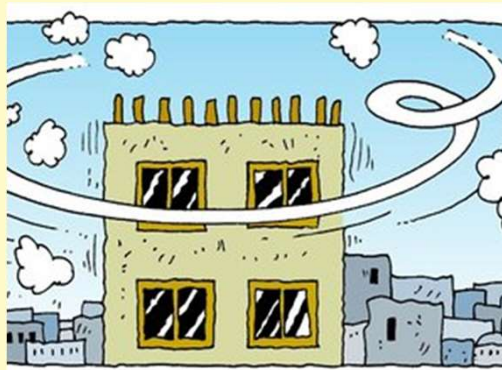
- The Pentecost is the 50th day after Resurrection.
- When the disciples were in St. Mark's house a strong wind came and blew everything.
- Fire came like little tongues. Every disciple had a tongue of fire. This was the Holy Spirit.
- They were able to speak different languages and everyone heard them speak their language.
- The disciples were telling everyone about Jesus and 3000 believed and became Christians.
- We receive the Holy Spirit when we are baptized, it is our guardian angel.

# Word Bank

- Pentecost



- Blew



- Fire



- Languages



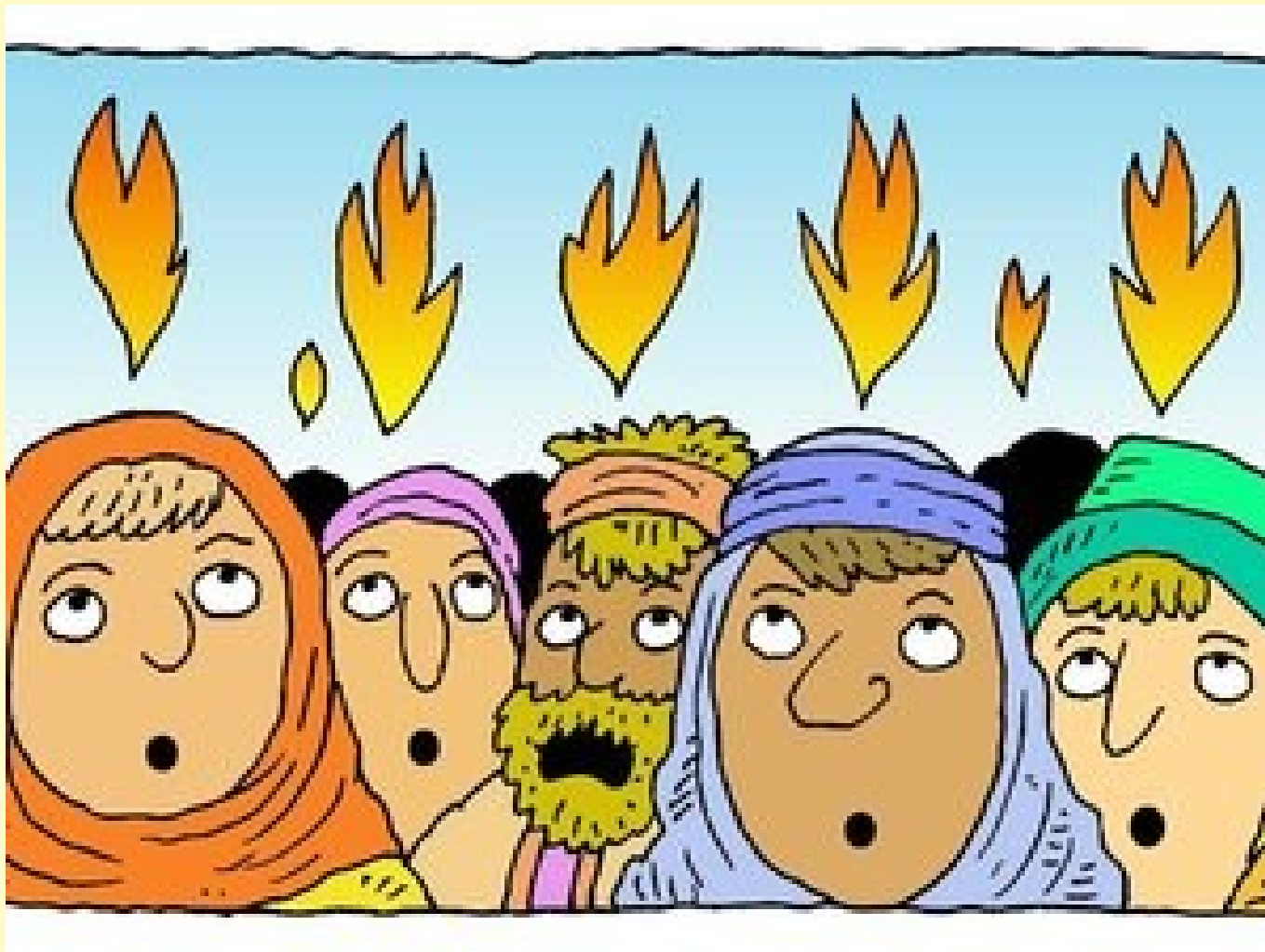
- 3000



- Receive

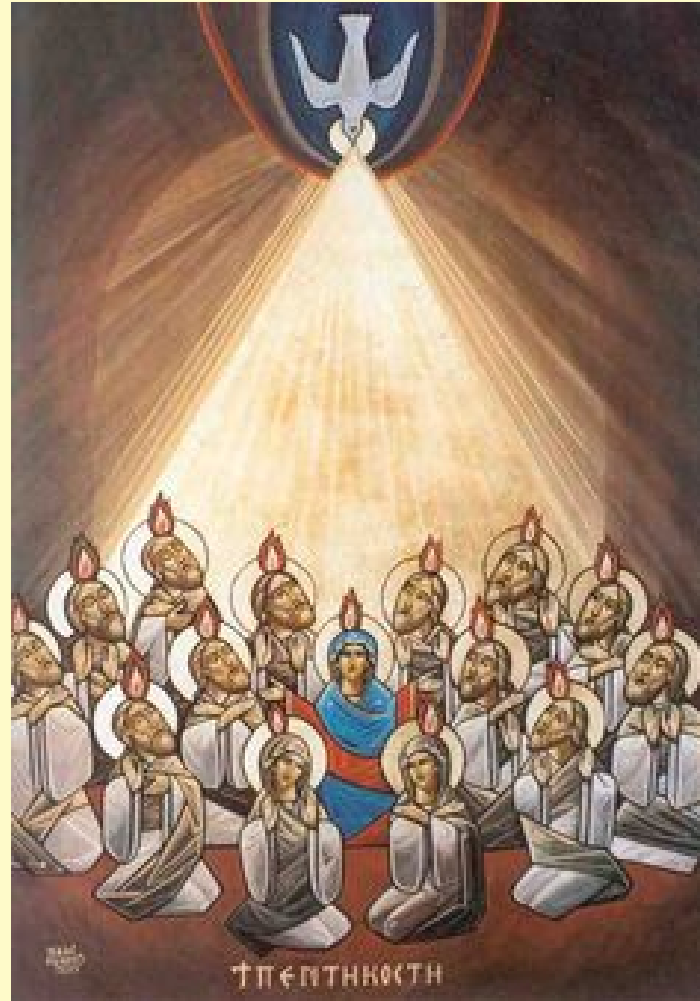


**Objective: Pentecost marks the birth of the Church.**



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**Memory Verse: “They were all filled with the Holy Spirit” (Luke 2:4)**



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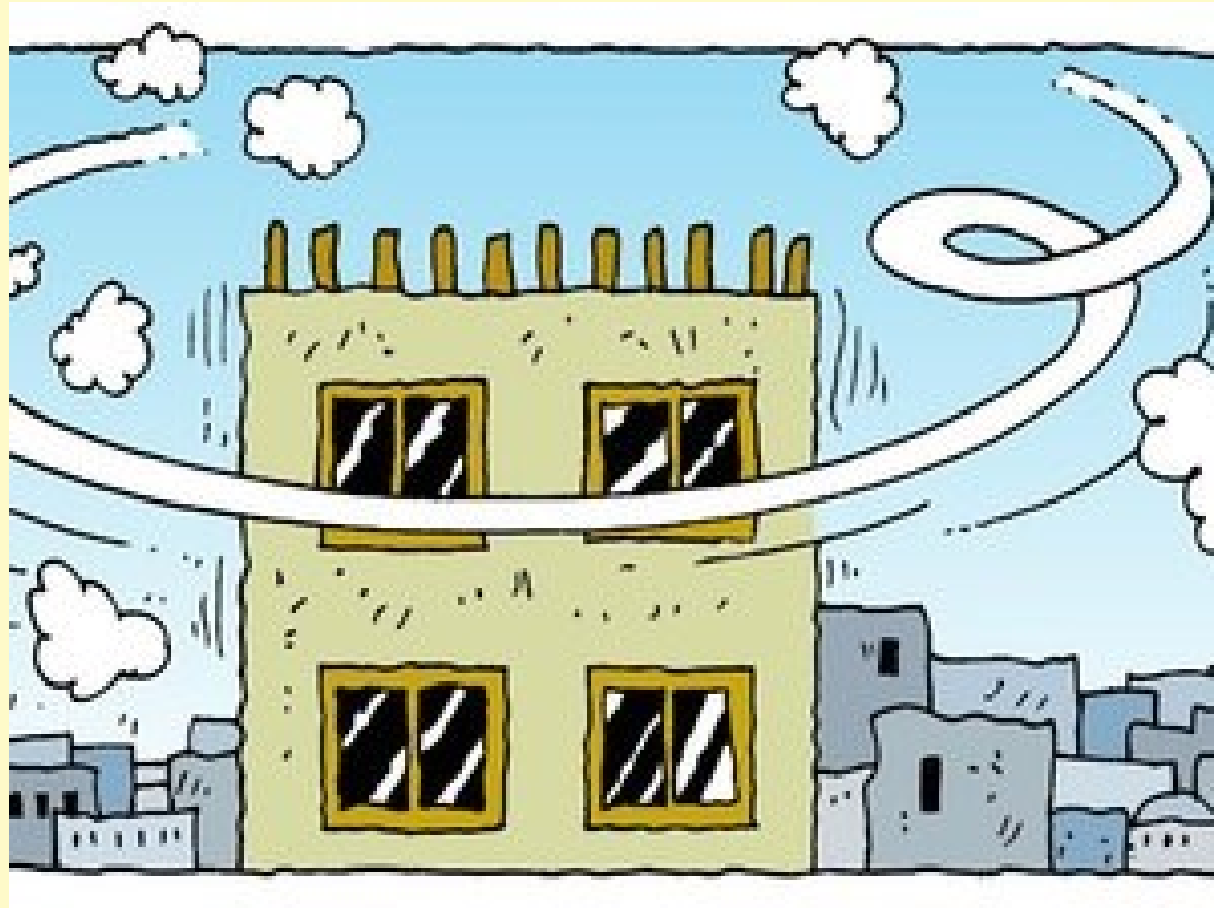
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# Pentecost

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- **Conclusion**

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- To God be the glory, forever, Amen.

# Resources

- Application
  - Coordinate a time for A.G.A.P.E. students to interact with non-A.G.A.P.E. students.
- Activities—Customize according to student abilities, speech, and fine and gross motor skills.
  - Coloring/Painting
  - Cut and Paste
  - Music/Games
- References
  - <http://www.suscopts.org/ssc/Grade00.pdf>