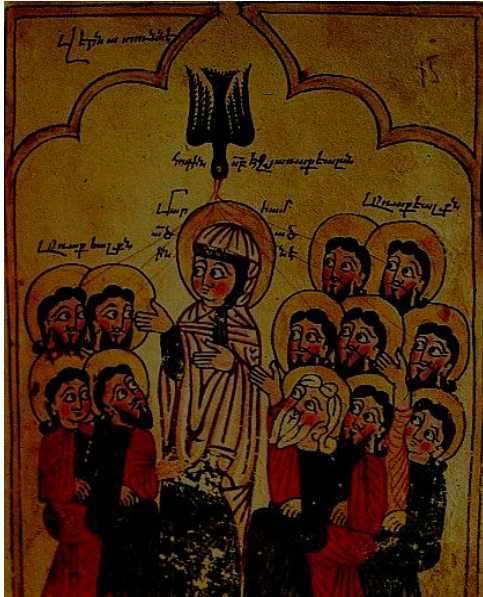


Intro Pentecost

Pentecost, the Greek word for 'Shavuot', was an ancient feast in Israel. It celebrates the **harvest**. The people bring their gifts to the Temple, thanking God for His gift of the Torah on Sinai. 50 days [pente=5] after Easter Sunday, Pentecost marks the end of the Easter season for Christians. NOW is a time to **harvest Souls**. Xt said, I send you as laborers into the fields to **harvest**. The Holy Spirit descends upon the apostles and **other disciples of Jesus—even Mary and other women**. {see Ikons}

In Eastern Christian art Mary is central, often a figure signifying the COSMOS, world is in the bottom.

An Armenian manuscript



From a modern mosaic, Armenian Church in Jerusalem



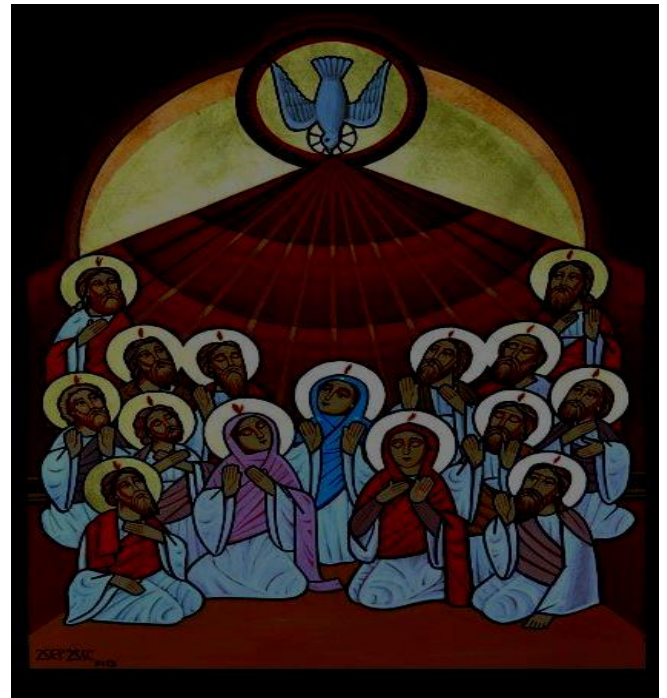
Greek Ikon

Armenia was one of the first Xtian Nations.
In Southern Russia, N Iraq, and Syria.



with
two other Women!
Mary top

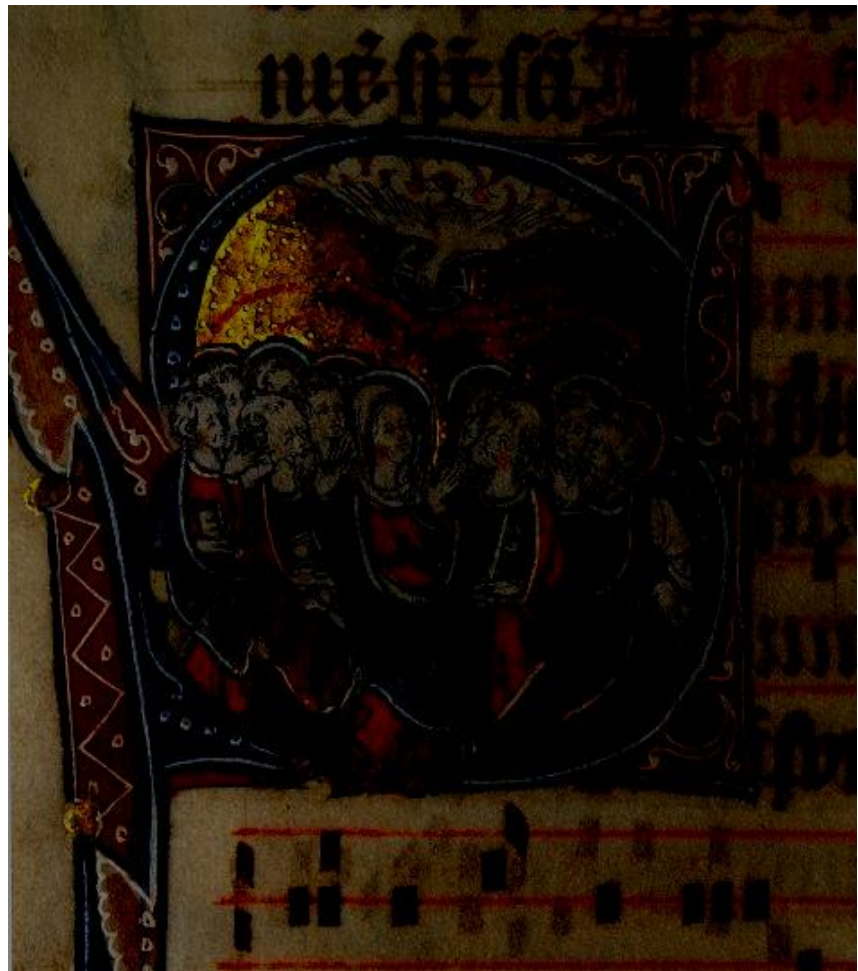
Coptic
Ikon,
Mark
founded
the
Coptic Church
in
Alexandria.
Notice:
12 Apostles
&
MARY



Center bottom—COSMOS, the World
The Whole Cosmos is
RE-NEWED
Illuminated manuscript
The first letter of the Chapter
CAPUT in *Latin*
was “lit up”—made fancy

Note
Dove + WIND! Cleverly done

Mary in the center;



Giotto in Assisi 1300
The **last** Medieval Artist
and
FIRST Renaissance Artist
to paint
REAL looking persons,
moving,
with naturally flowing
clothes

Can you see them
being amazed?
Discussing? Wondering?

Notice how Giotto
cleverly depicts
the CLOSED room
where they were huddling
fearfully.



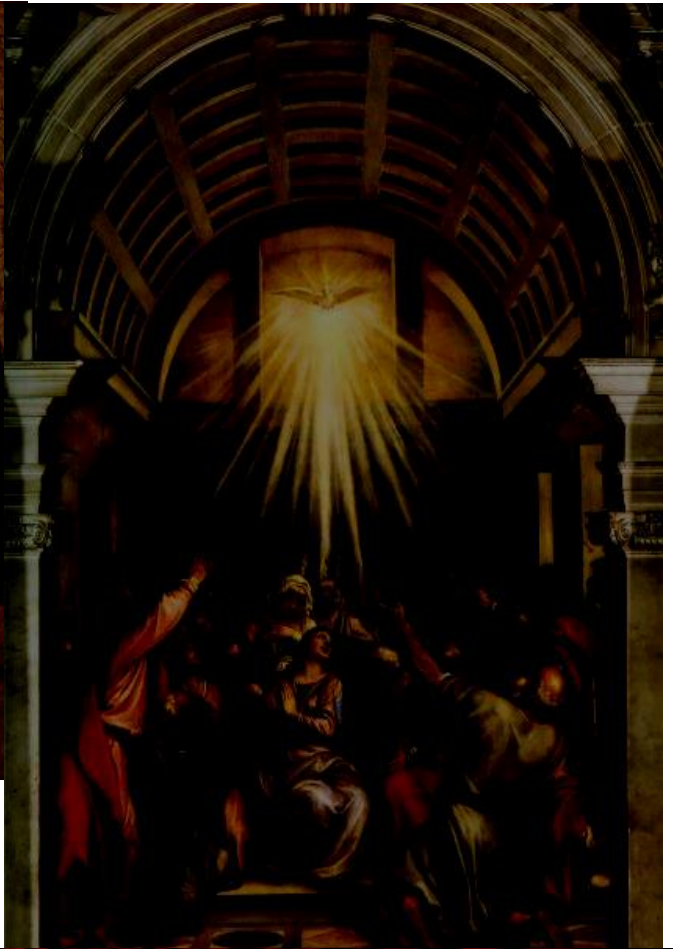
Early 1300 by Buonisegna,
Florence
still resembles medieval IKON but *Personalized* FACES

Titian High Renaissance

1550



This is the window behind the main altar in St. Peter's.
The grace flowing from the Spirit illuminates the main altar

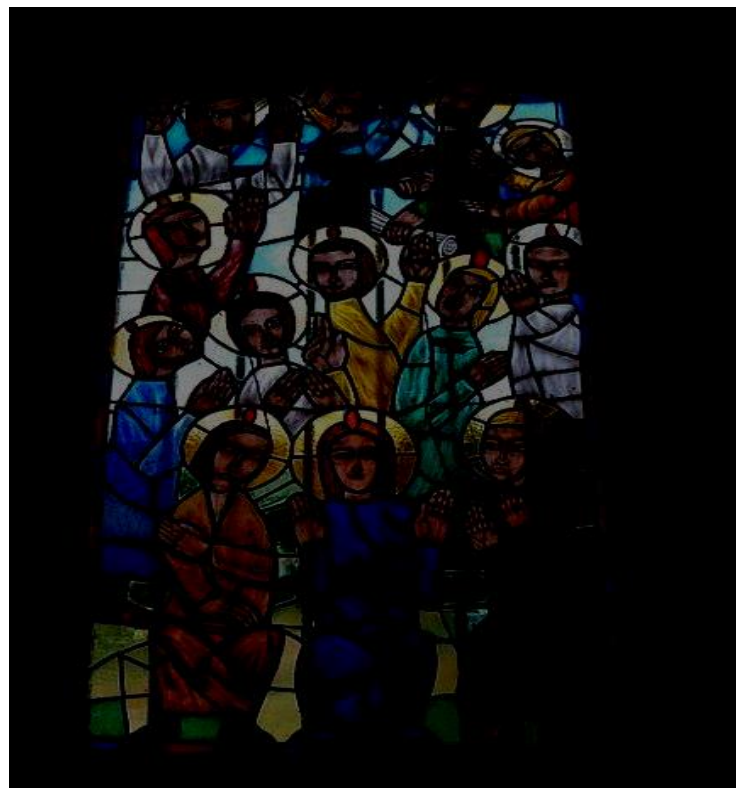




Anthony van Dyke 1500 *power / EMOTION*



Valle de Bravo, Mexico so simply stated



Acts 2:1-11

A great rush of wind would herald a new action of God in the history of salvation. The same “wind” that “rushed over the Waters” at the **Creation of the World** in **Genesis**.

Fire symbolizes the presence of God, Purifying. The same fire was present when Moses initiated the covenant with the Ten Commandments on **Sinai**.

So, we have a **new Creation**, a new **FIRE**, and a reversal of **The Tower of Babel**. The Tower of Babel was a ‘story’--MYTH that explained WHY if we are all Sons of Adam (**all HUMANS**)—why can’t we understand other languages? At Pentecost WE CAN!!!! Back together as **ONE HUMAN FAMILY**, sharing a new **common language!**

PSALM 104

Lord, send out your **Spirit**, and renew the face of the earth. If you take away their **breath**, they return to dust. But if your **breath** is in us, we become a New Creation. **Ruah**, was the Hebrew word for the **Wind** or **Mist** that moved over the primal waters in Creation. Like the **breeze** rising from the Sea of Galilee in the morning, or like that refreshing **breeze, moist** from the dew which condensed over night fills us with life as we wake up. Like the soothing wet **wind blowing from the Western Mediterranean**, **renews** life to the dry summer land of Israel. That’s the picture the Psalm paints.

PAUL 1 Corinthians 12: 3-13

Without the Holy **Breath** (Hagia **Pneuma**) and Holy **Wisdom** (Hagia **Sophia**) we cannot have even Faith to get started. We need **INSPIRATION**. Just as there is only one **SPiRiT** in each part of our body, there is one **SPiRiT** in the Body of Christ, the Church. The same “life” in my fingers is also in my feet; in that same way the same animating **SPiRiT** is in each part of the Church. The Fingers and Feet do *different things* but all are **equally** needed by the ONE Body.

The Sequence

The Sequence was a procession of the Gospel, a procession honoring the Word of God! XT.

Veni, Sancte Spiritus [Come, Holy Ghost] was written by Rabanus Maurus, the abbot of Fulda and archbishop of Mainz in 800 AD. I have collected: Latin Chant versions; paraphrases of his Latin hymn, and some polyphonic versions from modern composers today. Pick at least a few to check out.

1 chant w Notes and English translation 3 min
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q7EaOICMPWU>

2 An English Paraphrase translation of the Latin. “Come, Holy Ghost, **Creator** Blest” Notice a Spirit **CREATOR!** in Genesis; now a **RE-Creator**.

If you wonder about *Ghost?* **Geist, in German**, means Spirit.

Grand Rapids MI w organ and brass; mixing the Chant and the 1800 version 5:30
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M3Bt4RceK4c>

3 Karaoke version w English **WORDS** and **NOTES**, **SO sing-along!** 3 min
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nklHOLJlvTY>

4 from the National University of **SINGAPORE!!** A modern polyphonic version by Ralph Hoffmann.
[I can’t find much about him; but he is Austrian born]

I hope you enjoy it as much as I did when I discovered it.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xe-IFgLYi5Y> 4 min

5 another modern version, written by Alejandro Consolacion II, born in Manila, Philippines, 1980. Organist and composer, Benedictine educated, so his music has “chant like” spirituality.

*5-1st Simon Bolivar choral, Venezuela words easy to understand; poor visual
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CjwcPYvmu1g> 6 min

*5-2nd Universidad Nacional de Córdoba, Argentina clear and up-close
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c9LjM9PtU1Q> 6 min

ALLELUIA before the Gospel The essential idea of this beautiful PSALM repeats a call to the HOLY BREATH, ἅγιον πνεῦμα {Hagion Pneuma}. Πνεῦμα is the Greek for the Hebrew RUAH, the mist that blew over the waters in Genesis, to create the World. Now the prayer should make more sense:

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful
and ***kindle** in them the fire of your **love**.

Gospel John 20:19-2

On the evening of that first day of the week,
when the doors were locked, where the disciples were,
for fear of the Jews,
Jesus came and stood in their midst
and said to them, "Peace be with you."

When he had said this,
he showed them his hands and his side.

The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.
Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you.
As the **Father** has sent me, so **I** send you."
And when he had said this,
he breathed on them and said to them,
"Receive the **Holy Spirit**.
Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them,
and whose sins you retain are retained."

Father + "I"- XT + Holy Spirit = TRINITY

see the Wind

Whipping up the **People**
with **Fire** and

Inspiring them with the **Light of Faith?**

