

# MARINERS CHURCH



## **The Power for this Place** 2.26.23

God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, 2 Corinthians 5:19-20

**We are Coastsiders, loving Jesus and each other and doing the most important thing in the world.**

"Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father." -Jesus, John 14:2

"You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you." - Jesus, Acts 1:8

"I will ask the Father, and he will give you another helper to be with you forever-- the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you." -Jesus, John 14:16-17 (NIV)

On the day of Pentecost all the believers were meeting together in one place. Suddenly, there was a sound from heaven like the roaring of a mighty windstorm, and it filled the house where they were sitting. Then, what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of them. And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages, as the Holy Spirit gave them this ability. Acts 2:1-4

But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Galatians 5:22-23 (NLT)

Be filled with the Holy Spirit. Ephesians 5:18

And do not bring sorrow to God's Holy Spirit by the way you live. Ephesians 4:30

### **For your LifeGroup and growth time.**

Talk about what you know about the Holy Spirit...

Read Acts 2 together.

verses 1-13: talk about what was going on here. Why did the Holy Spirit show up "in this way"?

verses 14-41: What are some things that Peter is saying that stand out to you? What is remarkable about it being PETER giving this message (considering he was the one who betrayed Jesus)? What hope does that give us?

verse 42-47: What are some of the things that the early church was doing. How can that be 'much more real' today?

How can a believer "bring sorrow" to the Holy Spirit? Have you ever done that? What was it like and how did you change it?

How can we be continually filled with God's Spirit? What do you do to make sure that is happening?

Pray together and support each other!

If you'd like to grow in your faith and connect with others, LifeGroups are a great place for you. For more information, drop us your name and we'll get back to you ([emma@marinerscc.org](mailto:emma@marinerscc.org))