



Pentecost

Donald Jackson, artist

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Acts 1:6-11; 2:1-47 (NRSV)

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Read the story of Pentecost while looking at the details of this illumination. Consider these questions to help you get the most out of the image.

- What do you notice? What speaks to you?
- Where do you see the presence of the church?
- Can you see...
 - ...the streaks of flame representing the tongues of fire?
 - ...the apostles preaching at the wall of Jerusalem?
 - ...the moon and the sun?
- Did you know that Pentecost was originally a Jewish harvest festival celebrated 50 days after Passover? The apostles were celebrating this festival when the Holy Spirit descended on them.
- Donald Jackson fashioned this portrayal of Pentecost after a football game he saw on Saint John's University campus.