

Unit One\* All About God\* Being Holy  
The Holy Spirit\* Helping Us  
Grow (In Faith!)

Lesson

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## We Speak to God

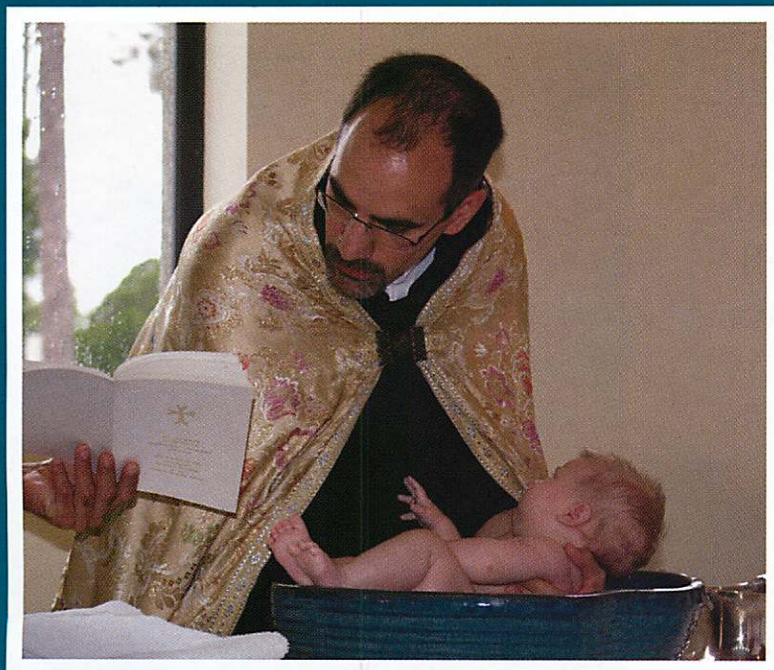
Dear God, we thank you for sending the Holy Spirit to watch over us and guide us to grow in your love.

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Amen.

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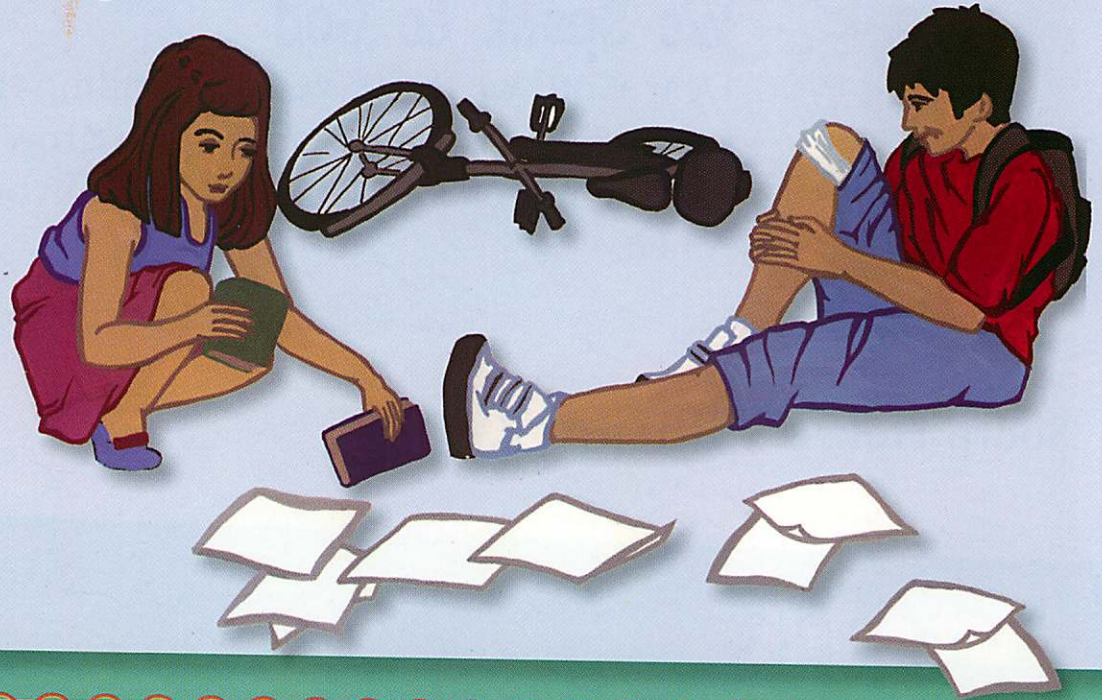
## Let's Talk



The Holy Spirit is the third Person of the Holy Trinity. The Holy Spirit comes to you when you are baptized and confirmed and is always with you. The Holy Spirit listens to your prayers. Pray to the Holy Spirit to fill your heart with love. Share this love with others.

# Listen to This

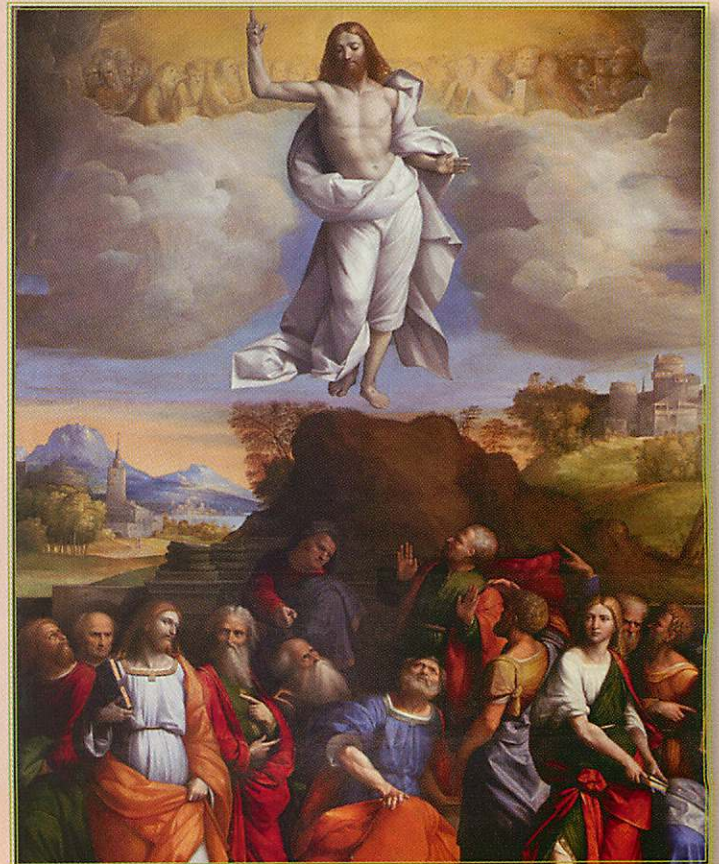
The Holy Spirit helps you to share God's love. The Holy Spirit gives you gifts of kindness, gentleness, faithfulness and forgiveness. These are not gifts you can touch, but you can see them in the smiling face of another person. You can feel these gifts in your heart because of the happiness they bring to others.



## We Learn About God

Before Jesus rose up to heaven after his crucifixion, he appeared to his disciples. He wanted them to tell others about God's love. He promised that the Holy Spirit would come to be with them always. Then he was taken up to heaven.

His followers went to Jerusalem. They prayed. They waited for the Holy Spirit to come and guide them as Jesus had done.



Early one morning, the disciples heard the sound of a strong wind. They looked around and saw flames of fire over their heads. The Holy Spirit had come as Jesus promised. The disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit and ready to spread the word of Jesus.

From that moment, the disciples were able to speak many languages – Armenian was one of them. This day is called Pentecost. We celebrate Pentecost fifty days after Easter.



## God Speaks to Us

I will ask the Father to send you the Holy Spirit who will help you and always be with you.

*John 14:16*

## Hearts and Hands

Holy Spirit, you are with us all the time.  
When we are excited or happy,

**Holy Spirit, fill our**  **with love.**

When we are lonely or sad,

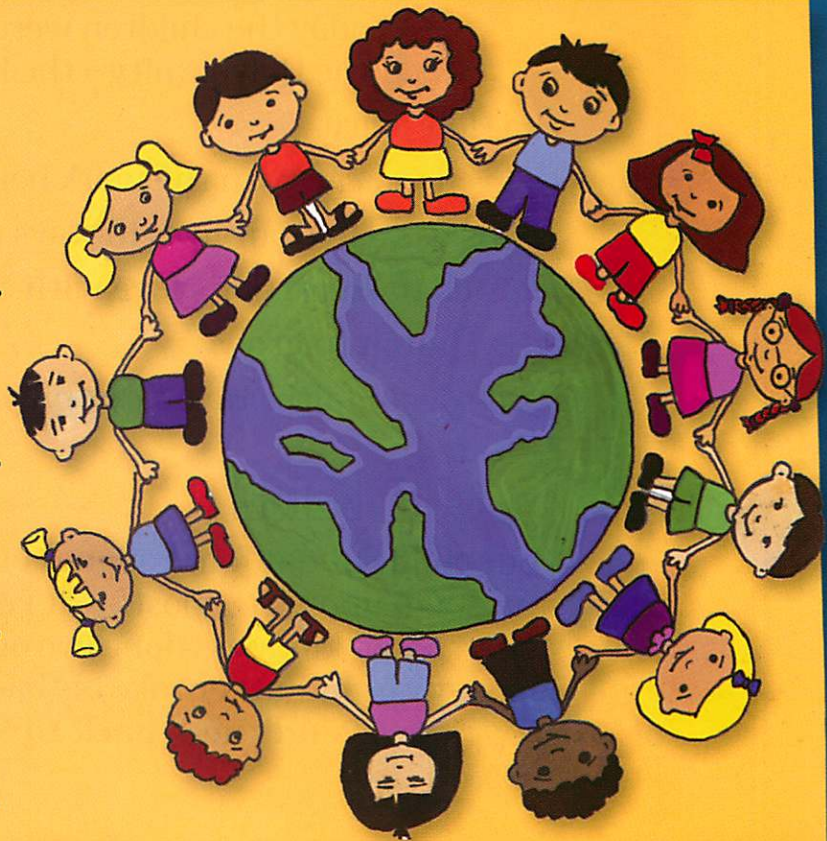
**Holy Spirit, fill our** **with love.**

When we feel brave or strong,

**Holy Spirit, fill our** **with love.**

And when we are tired or afraid,

**Holy Spirit, fill our** **with love.**



# Our Armenian Way

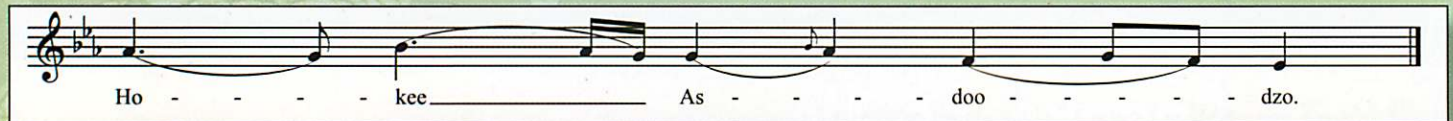
During the Badarak, the priest prays to the Holy Spirit to have the bread and wine become the body and blood of Jesus.

The choir sings a special hymn to the Holy Spirit. It is called Hokee Asdoodzoh (Spirit of God). In this hymn, we pray to the Holy Spirit to grant rest to those members of our family who have died.

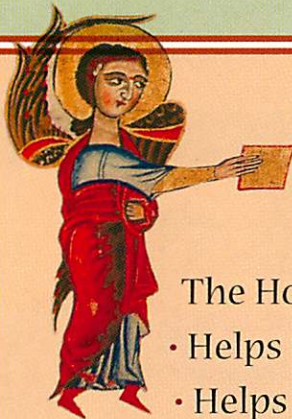


Hokee Asdoodzo

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## For My Family



### Sharing Our Faith

Today the children were introduced to the third Person of the Holy Trinity - the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit

- Helps us to carry on the work begun by Jesus and the apostles.
- Helps us to live our lives in ways pleasing to God.
- Helps us to share God's love with others.
- Helps the church to grow.
- Helps us grow in faith. Hears our prayers.

### Living Our Faith

Today, your child cut out four tongues of flame, symbols of the Holy Spirit that came down upon the apostles at Pentecost. During this week, on each one write an act of kindness done by your child to a friend or family member, e.g. "I helped my grandfather rake his back yard. I helped my friend take care of his baby sister." **Send them back to Sunday School** for us to post on a Bulletin Board!