Reflection; Charles Peguy 1873-1914, French poet and politician

And the Lord said; I myself will dream a dream within you

Good dreams come from me, you know My dreams seem impossible, not too practical. not for the cautious man or woman a little risky sometimes, a trifle brash perhaps Some of my friends prefer to rest more comfortably, in sounder sleep, with visionless eyes But, from those who share my dreams I ask a little patience, a little humour; some small courage, and a listening heart – I will do the rest



Then they will risk and wonder at their daring. Run, and marvel at their speed, Build, and stand in awe at the beauty of their building.



You will meet me often as you work, In your companions who share the risk, in your friends who believe in you enough to lend their own hands. their own hearts to your building In the people who will stand in your doorway. stay awhile, and walk away knowing they, too, can find a dream. There will be sunfilled days. And sometimes it will rain. a little variety, both coming from me. So, come now, be content. It is my dream you dream, my house you build, my caring you witness, my love you share, and this is the heart of the matter.



It takes the whole world

To know the whole Christ

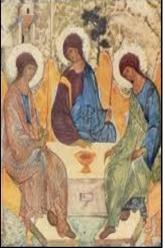
Session 6: Discovering the Whole Christ – through Partnership with the whole world. *What do we dream for ourselves, our*

churches and our Diocese? In this session we will think about what sort of Church Jesus would like to see when he returns.



A prayer of Welcome

Lord God, you have brought us together in partnership. You have caused us to depend on each other. We thank you for this. May we use this opportunity to discover each other. Open our hearts to see the problems and needs of our partners, Strengthen us as we give and receive, sharing material and spiritual gifts. We commit ourselves to You as we go journey together, United with one another in Your love. Amen Gustrow Cathedral; Christian Höser (2013)



Worship Link....

Newsboys sing 'He Reigns'.

http://bit.ly/1EvqNLX



Making Links....

Looking back over the past five sessions single out one insight which has stayed with you.

Bible Links...

Rev 19:7-9 other radical visionary verses Joel 2:28-32 - Perhaps Isaiah 58

What would you most long for and dream of for your

(a) local church (b) local community (c) nation (d) the world

Joel speaks about dreaming dreams, Revelation rejoices in the bride having been made ready. How can we work to turn the dream we have God's church into reality?

What does the reading from Isaiah 58 tell us about some practical steps we can take in a good direction?

What would a meaningful partnership with a church or community overseas look like in your church setting?

Companion Links...

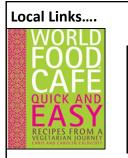
Bishop Moon Hing West Malaysia





Kim and Susan Salo Qu'Appelle Diocese Canada





feast 4 all nations

'Holy Trinity Church West Bromwich is hosting a 'Feast for All Nations' on Pentecost Sunday. Acts chapter 2 will be read in 9 different languages'. (tweet)

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Prayer Links.....

The Four Fold Franciscan Blessing

May God bless you with **discomfort**. Discomfort at easy answers, half truths, and superficial relationships, so that you may live deep within your heart. Amen

May God bless you with **anger**. Anger at injustice, oppression and exploitation of people, so that you may work for justice, freedom and peace. Amen

May God bless you with tears. Tears to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, starvation and war, so that you may reach out your hand to comfort them and turn their pain into joy. Amen

May God bless you with foolishness. Enough foolishness to believe that vou can make a difference in this world, so that you can do what others claim cannot be done. Amen

Personal Challenge;

When Jesus returns in glory to get his bride, the church, what sort of church do you think he would want to see? In what ways can you help to get ready, in your context?