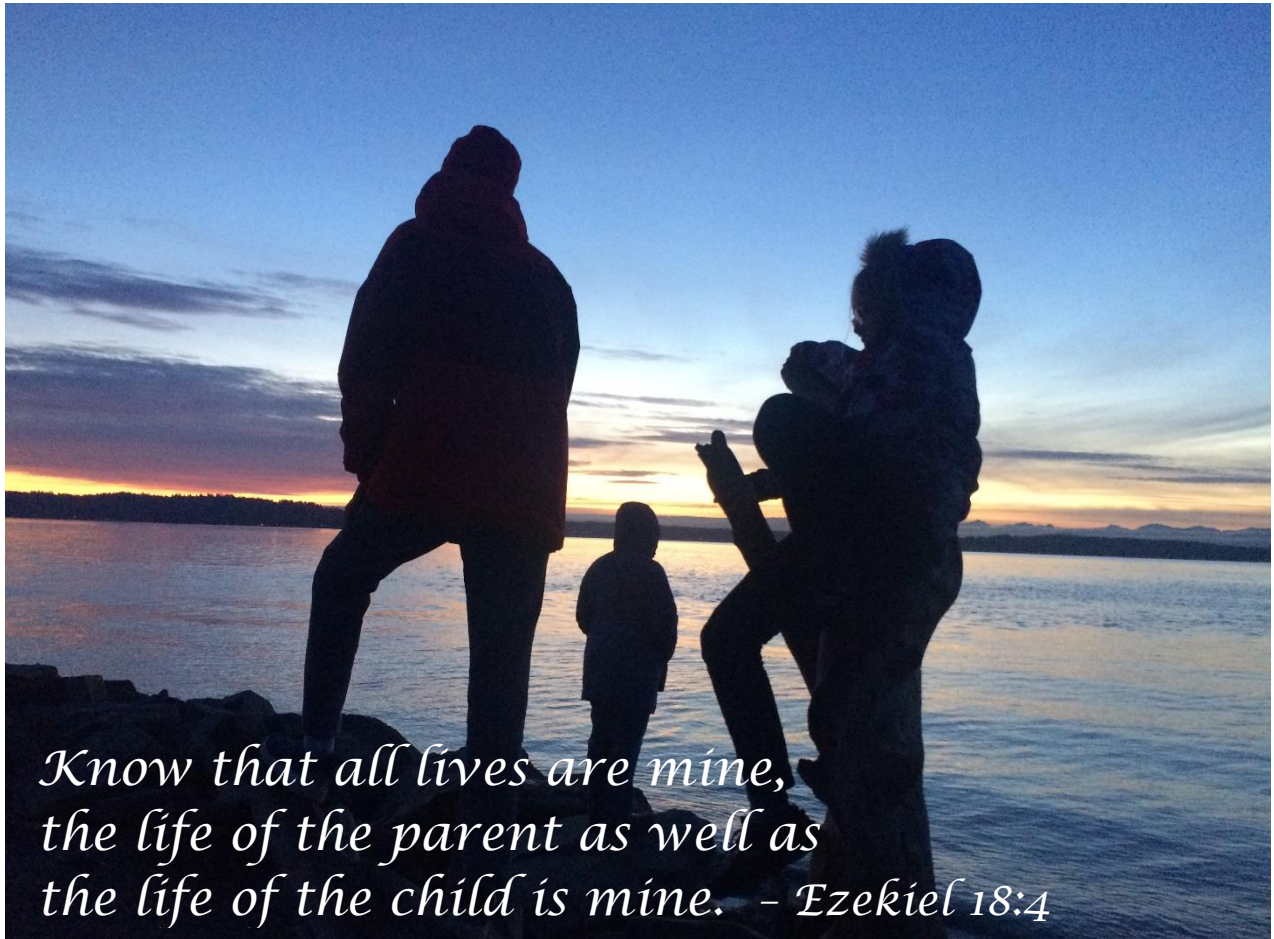


Live Stream Worship



*Know that all lives are mine,
the life of the parent as well as
the life of the child is mine. - Ezekiel 18:4*

September 27, 2020

Peace Lutheran Church



West Seattle, Washington

Welcome to Live Stream worship. We're glad you've found your way to Peace!

Host and Preacher: Pastor Erik P. Kindem.

Musicians: Minister of Music Jon Lackey and Accompanist James Jelasic. Lector: Jacob Mersing.

Production technicians: Joey DiJulio, Stuart Hunt, Alan Jarvimaki, and Scott Sunde.

***We will celebrate Holy Communion today.
If you desire to participate from your home,
please set aside bread and wine (or grape juice) now.***

***This Live Stream Service can be found on our YouTube Channel:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCZ_kC390-EvxqHEpTQR-cxg/***

+ GATHERING +

PRELUDE

Prelude in A Major

Kittel

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.

C **Amen.**

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection

P Faithful God, have mercy on us.

C **We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.
We turn from your loving embrace and go our own way.
We pass judgement on one another before examining ourselves.
We place our own needs before those of our neighbors,
and go along with systems that perpetuate divisions among us.
We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves.
Make us humble, teach us the way of Christ.
Cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you
through him who is our Savior and Lord. Amen**

P God hears the cries of all who call out in need,
and through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own.
Hear the truth that God proclaims:
Your sins are forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ.
In baptism he has made us his own, and freed us to follow his Way.
Led by the Holy Spirit, we live into this freedom by loving our neighbor
and doing God's work in the world.

C **Thanks be to God!**

GATHERING HYMN

Morning Has Broken

ELW #566

1 Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing; black - bird has
2 Sweet the rain's new fall, sun - lit from heav - en, like the first
3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing, born of the

spo - ken like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the
dew - fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet
one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - 'ry

morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
gar - den, sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.
morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

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GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray together:

C **God of love, giver of life, you know our frailties and failings. Give us your grace to overcome them, keep us from those things that harm us, and guide us in the way of salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen**

+ WORD +

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

Jacob Mersing

Ezekiel challenges those who think they cannot change because of what their parents were and did, or who think they cannot reverse their own previous behavior. God insistently invites people to turn and live.

The word of the LORD came to me: ²What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge"? ³As I live, says the Lord GOD, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. ⁴Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die.

²⁵Yet you say, "The way of the Lord is unfair." Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? ²⁶When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. ²⁷Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. ²⁸Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. ²⁹Yet the house of Israel says, "The way of the Lord is unfair." O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

³⁰Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. ³¹Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? ³²For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord GOD. Turn, then, and live.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 25:1-9 *The leader reads the light print and we respond with bold print.*

¹To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

²**My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

³Let none who look to you be put to shame;
rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

⁴**Show me your ways, O LORD, and teach me your paths.**

⁵Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.

⁶**Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.**

⁷Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;
remember me according to your steadfast love
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

⁸**You are gracious and upright, O LORD; therefore you teach sinners in your way.**

⁹You lead the lowly in justice and teach the lowly your way.

L The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 21st Chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: Matthew 21:23-32

After driving the moneychangers out of the temple (21:12), Jesus begins teaching there. His authority is questioned by the religious leaders, who are supposed to be in charge of the temple.

When [Jesus] entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" ²⁴Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. ²⁵Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' ²⁶But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." ²⁷So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

²⁸"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' ²⁹He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. ³⁰The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. ³¹Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. ³²For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him."

L The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Erik Kindem



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
 4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,
 Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,
 thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
 great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Text: Irish, 8th cent.; vers. Eleanor Hull, alt.; tr. Mary Byrne. Music: Irish Traditional

PRAYERS

Petitions are offered that end with:

P Lord, in your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

+ MEAL +

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

OFFERING

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OFFERTORY

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

ELW #678, vs. 1, 3

TUNE: BEACHSPRING

1. God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store:
nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door,
gifted by you, we turn to you, off'ring up ourselves in praise;
thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.
3. Treasure, too, you have entrusted, gain through pow'rs your grace conferred;
ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the gospel word.
Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ's ageless call,
healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving you by loving all.

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*Gather all who will be participating in the Holy Communion Meal.
Choose someone who will lift up the elements at the appropriate time,
following Pastor Kindem's leadership.*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Blessed are you,

C **O Lord our God, maker of all things. You have set before us these gifts of your good creation. Prepare us for your heavenly banquet, nourish us with this rich food and drink, and send us forth to set tables in the midst of a suffering world, through the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ;

who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so with earth and sea and all their creatures,
with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,**

Heav'n and Earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

- P** Holy God, our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food,
You created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.
- C** **You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life,
and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven.
You sent your Son to eat with sinners and to become food for the world.**
- P** In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
- C** **Take and eat, this is my body broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me.**
- P** Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
- C** **This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for
forgiveness and healing. Do this for the remembrance of me.**
- P** Remembering, therefore, his acts of healing, his life given for us,
and his rising from the grave, we await his coming again to share with us the
everlasting feast.
- C** **By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal: strengthen us to serve all
in hunger and want, and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son.**
- P** Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty and Altender God,
with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER *Ecumenical*

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.
Amen.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- P** Come to the banquet table where Christ gives himself as food and drink.
- C** **Thanks be to God!**

*Take the gifts of bread and wine/juice into your bodies now, whether you are alone
or in the company of others, giving thanks for these gifts of grace!
Anything that remains can be incorporated into your next meal.*



Now the si - lence Now the peace Now the emp - ty hands up - lift - ed



Now the kneel - ing Now the plea Now the Fa - ther's arms in wel - come



Now the hear - ing Now the pow'r Now the ves - sel brimmed for pour - ing



Now the bod - y Now the blood Now the joy - ful cel - e - bra - tion



Now the wed - ding Now the songs Now the heart for - giv - en leap - ing



Now the Spir - it's vis - i - ta - tion Now the Son's e - piph - a - ny



Now the Fa - ther's bless - ing Now Now Now

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P We give you thanks, gracious God, that you have once again fed us with food beyond compare, the body and blood of Christ. Lead us from this place, nourished and forgiven, into your beloved vineyard to wipe away the tears of all who hunger and thirst, guided by the example of the same Jesus Christ and led by the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our preacher next week will be Northwest Washington Synod Bishop Shelley Bryan Wee.

BLESSING

P Mothering God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life.

C Amen.

+ SENDING +

SENDING HYMN

In Thee is Gladness

ELW #867



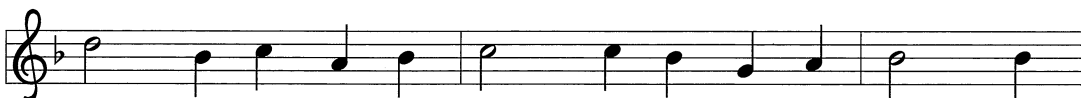
1 In thee is glad-ness a-mid all sad-ness, Je-sus, sun-shine of my
2 Je-sus is ours! . . . We fear no pow-ers, not of earth or sin or



heart. By thee are giv-en the gifts of heav-en, thou the
death. He sees and bless-es in worst dis-tress-es; he can



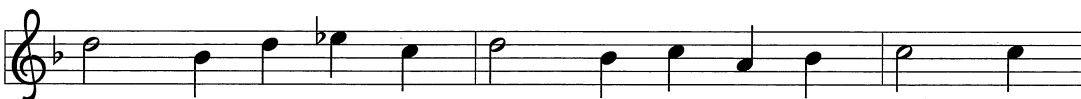
true re-deem-er art. Our souls thou wak-est; our bonds thou
change them with a breath. Where-fore the sto-ry tell of his



break-est. Who trusts thee sure-ly has built se-cure-ly
glo-ry with heart and voic-es; all heav'n re-joic-es



and stands for-ev-er: Al-le-lu-ia! Our hearts are
in him for-ev-er: Al-le-lu-ia! We shout for



pin-ning to see thy shin-ing, dy-ing or liv-ing,
glad-ness, tri-umph o'er sad-ness, love him and praise him



to thee are cleav-ing; naught can us sev-er: Al-le-lu-ia!
and still shall raise him glad hymns for-ev-er: Al-le-lu-ia!

Text: Johan Lindemann, tr. Catherine Winkworth, alt. Music: Giovanni Giacomo Gastoldi.

P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Trio en Chaconne

Raison



CHRISTIAN ED/FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE

ABC'S, THE BIBLE, AND YOU - **Hey, kids, are you age 3 through 2nd grade** and like stories? Join Julie and Melanie on Zoom for a Bible story each week. You'll also get to do crafts and sing fun, silly songs, and see you friends. Sounds like a blast! Class runs from 9:45 to 10:15 or so.

WHIRL KIDS - **Calling all 2nd to 5th graders**. Chris will meet you on Zoom for Whirl videos, digging into the Bible, and talking about life together. Don't miss out! Class will run from 9:45 to 10:25.

GET CONNECTED - **Middle school and high school youth** are invited to get connected to the Bible and each other. We will be walking through the Bible with the Connect curriculum videos and drawing connections between different stories. This class will be great for anyone who wants to know more about the Bible even if you know very little. That's the book with Jesus in it, right? Class will run from 9:45 to 10:30 or so.

FAITH LENS - **High school youth and beyond** are invited to discuss the current news stories and the weekly Gospel reading. There is a lot happening right now. Let's come together and try to make sense of it asking "where is God in this story"? This class will meet at 9-9:45am. Having your breakfast or morning beverage close by is encouraged.

ADULT SUNDAY CLASS MEETS SUNDAYS AT 8:45am via ZOOM

If you have been a regular participant, look for a ZOOM invite in your inbox that morning. If you have not participated regularly but would like to join, email Pastor Kindem with your request. Our focus for September and October: *WHITE FRAGILITY: Why it's so hard for white people to talk about racism*, by Robin DiAngelo.