

# Live Stream Worship



**Fifth Sunday in Lent  
March 21, 2021**

***Peace Lutheran Church***



***West Seattle, Washington***

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

*God promises Jeremiah that a "new covenant" will be made in the future: a covenant that will allow all the people to know God by heart. The church sees this promise fulfilled in Christ, who draws all people to himself when he is lifted up on the cross. Our baptismal covenant draws us to God's heart through Christ and draws God's light and truth into our hearts. We join together in worship and leave strengthened to share God's love with all the world.*

# + GATHERING +

PRELUDE

*Kyrie*

Boylen

WELCOME

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** *from the Font*

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the keeper of the covenant,  
the source of steadfast love, our rock and our redeemer.

C **Amen.**

P God hears us when we cry and draws us close in Jesus Christ.  
Let us return to the one who is full of compassion.

*Silence is kept for reflection*

P Fountain of living water,

C **pour your mercy over us, for our sin is heavy, and we long to be free.  
Reach into our lives through your Holy Spirit. Help us rebuild what we have  
ruined and mend what we have torn. Wash us in your cleansing flood.  
Make us alive in the Spirit to follow in the way of Jesus, as justice seekers,  
healers, and restorers of the world you so love. Amen.**

P Beloved ones, God hears your desire to be free, and by the saving power of Jesus  
Christ, God + forgives you your sins and remembers them no more.  
Journey now in the way of Jesus.

C **Following in his footsteps, we will stay close to him—thanks be to God!**

**GATHERING HYMN**

*Christ, the Life of All the Living*

ELW #339



1 Christ, the life of all the liv - ing, Christ, the death of death, our foe,  
2 You have suf - fered great af - flic - tion and have borne it pa - tient - ly,  
3 Then, for all that bought my par - don, for the sor - rows deep and sore,



Christ, your - self for me once giv - ing to the dark - est depths of woe:  
e - ven death by cru - ci - fix - ion, ful - ly to a - tone for me;  
for the an - guish in the gar - den, I will thank you ev - er - more;



through your suf - f'ring, death, and mer - it life e - ter - nal I in - her - it.  
for you chose to be tor - ment - ed that my doom should be pre - vent - ed.  
thank you for the groan - ing, sigh - ing, for the bleed - ing and the dy - ing,



Thou-sand, thou-sand thanks are due, dear - est Je - sus, un - to you.  
 Thou-sand, thou-sand thanks are due, dear - est Je - sus, un - to you.  
 for that last tri - um - phant cry, praise you ev - er - more on high.

**PASTORAL GREETING**

**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.**

**KYRIE** *Please join the cantor in this call and response.*

**gently**

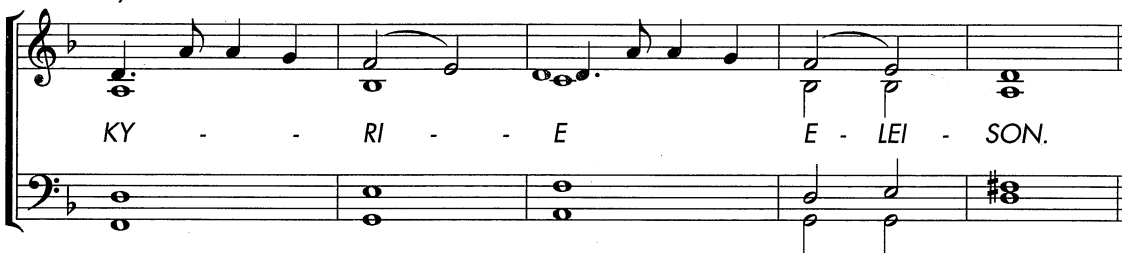
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**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray. O God,

**C** **with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, that through life and death we may live in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

# + WORD +

## FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Liz Hernandez

*The Judeans in Babylon blamed their exile on their ancestors who had broken the covenant established at Sinai. Here the prophet looks to a day when the people can no longer make such a complaint. There will be no need to teach the law because God will write it in their hearts.*

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>32</sup>It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD.

<sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup>No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

L Holy wisdom. Holy Word.

C Thanks be to God.

## CHILDREN'S TIME

Julie Ward

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Refrain



Re - turn to God with all your heart, the source of grace and  
mer - cy; come seek the ten - der faith - ful - ness of God.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 12th Chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

## GOSPEL: John 12:20-33

*Jesus entered Jerusalem for the last time to celebrate the Passover festival. Here Jesus' words about seeds planted in the ground turn the disaster of his death into the promise of a harvest in which everyone will be gathered.*

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. <sup>21</sup>They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." <sup>22</sup>Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. <sup>23</sup>Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. <sup>24</sup>Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. <sup>25</sup>Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. <sup>26</sup>Whoever serves me

must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

<sup>27</sup> "Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say--'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. <sup>28</sup>Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." <sup>29</sup>The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." <sup>30</sup>Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. <sup>31</sup>Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. <sup>32</sup>And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." <sup>33</sup>He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

L The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Erik Kindem

HYMN OF THE DAY

*The Word of God is Source and Seed*

ELW #506



1 The Word of God is source and seed; it comes to  
2 The Word of God is breath and life; it comes to  
3 The Word of God is flesh and grace, who comes to



die and sprout and grow. So make your dark earth  
heal and wake and save. So let the Spir - it  
sing, to laugh and cry. So dare to be as



wel - come warm; root deep the grain God bent to sow.  
touch and mend and rouse your dry bones from their grave.  
Je - sus was, who came to live and love and die.

*Refrain*



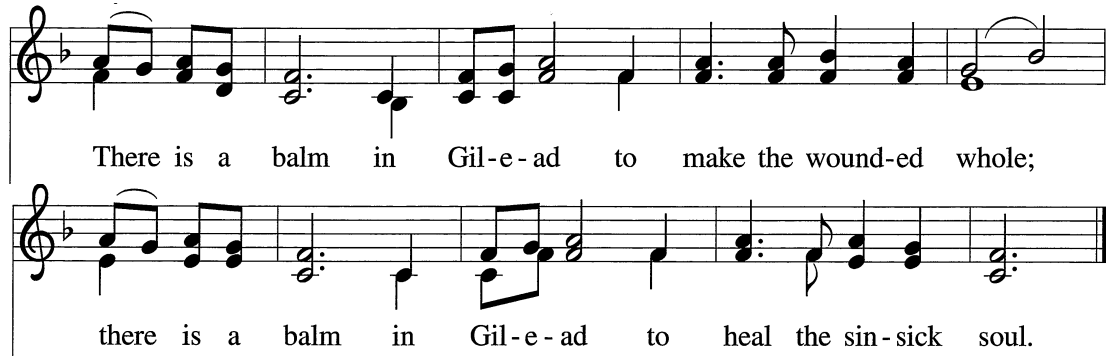
Gau - de - a - mus Do - mi - no, gau - de - a - mus Do - mi - no,  
In the Lord let us re - jice, in the Lord let us re - jice,



gau - de - a - mus Do mi - no!  
in the Lord let us re - jice!

# + PRAYERS +

## PRAYERS REFRAIN



There is a balm in Gil-e-ad to make the wound-ed whole;  
there is a balm in Gil-e-ad to heal the sin-sick soul.

## INTERCESSIONS

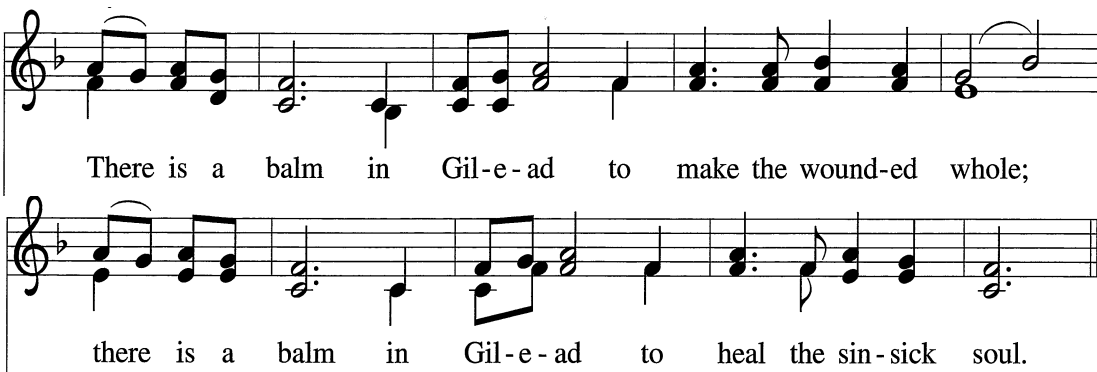
Paul Bliss

*Petitions are offered that end with:*

- A We come to you for healing.
- C Have mercy, O God.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**



There is a balm in Gil-e-ad to make the wound-ed whole;  
there is a balm in Gil-e-ad to heal the sin-sick soul.

## THE PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

## PASS THE HAT

*White Center Food Bank*

## OFFERING

*Your monetary can help to support this ministry, as well as the ongoing ministry of our congregation and synod, and ELCA ministries around the world. You can give a regular or special offering today by connecting to our secure [Tithely Giving Page](#). Whatever size, your gift makes difference—thank you for your support!*

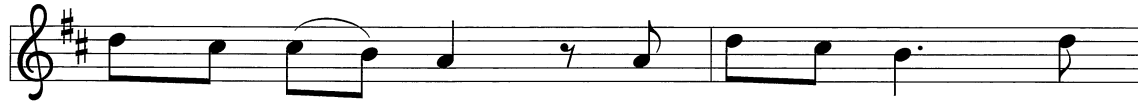
## OFFERTORY

*We Raise Our Hands to You, O Lord*

ELW#690



1 We raise our hands to you, O Lord, like  
2 What good and blessing you bestow are  
3 Oh, make our barren trees to grow, our



emp - ty ves - sels. Oh, come to us and  
free - ly giv - en. Your pow'r will make the  
hands to blos - som, and let our lives bring



give us life from springs where liv - ing wa - ters flow.  
weak - est strong and bar - ren branch - es start to bud.  
forth such fruit that heals our neigh - bor's grief and pain.

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

**P** Let us pray. Faithful God,

**C** you walk beside us in desert places, and you meet us in our hunger with bread from heaven. Accompany us in this meal, that we may pass over from death to life with Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### BLESSING

**P** You are what God made you to be:  
created in Christ Jesus for good works,  
chosen as holy and beloved,  
freed to serve your neighbor.  
God bless you + that you may be a blessing,  
in the name of the holy and life-giving Trinity.

**C** Amen.

## + SENDING +

### SENDING HYMN

*Restore in Us, O God*

ELW #328

TUNE: DENNIS

1. Restore in us, O God, the splendor of your love;  
renew your image in our hearts, and all our sins remove.

*(continued on next page)*

2. O Spirit, wake in us the wonder of your pow'r;  
from fruitless fear unfurl our lives like spring-time bud and flow'r.
3. Bring us, O Christ, to share the fullness of your joy;  
baptize us in the risen life that death cannot destroy.
4. Three-personed God, fulfill the promise of your grace,  
that we, when all our searching ends, may see you face to face.

P Go in peace. Remember the poor.

C **Thanks be to God!**

**POSTLUDE**

*Lenten Improvisation*

Jon Lackey



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### FINAL WEDNESDAY EVENING PRAYER GATHERING

Our final Wednesday Evening Prayer gathering will be this Wednesday @ 7:00. Members of Peace can expect a ZOOM invitation in their email inboxes on Wednesday afternoon. If you are not a regular constituent of Peace but would like to participate, you may contact Pastor Erik Kindem to request a link to gathering.

### PASS THE HAT FOR MARCH: WHITE CENTER FOOD BANK

*“Our Mission is to Minimize Hunger... While nourishing community, nurturing self-reliance and embracing our rich cultural diversity.* The White Center Food Bank began unofficially in the mid-1970’s as an emergency response to assist struggling families and individuals in the greater White Center and Highline areas during a major economic downturn. Much like today, many in the community were facing difficult economic conditions that left them in need of food resources. We were there then. We are here now.”

### CALVARY BEQUEST GRANT DECISIONS FOR 2021

Thank you to all who contributed ideas for the distribution of grants from the Calvary Bequest this year. At its March 16 meeting, the Church Council approved the following grants for 2021:

- \$2000 to the Asylee Medical Clinic being developed in partnership with Fauntleroy UCC
- \$1000 to West Seattle Helpline for eviction prevention
- The remaining \$400, along with extra Social Ministry program funds, are being held for other needs that may develop over the course of the year.

## CHRISTIAN ED/FAITH FORMATION

### ADULT SUNDAY CLASS @ 8:45am

Our current conversation focuses on Isabel Wilkerson book, *Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents*. If you’d like to join the class via ZOOM, please let Pastor Erik know and he will send you an invitation on Sunday morning.

### ABC’S, THE BIBLE, AND YOU—Hey, kids, are you age 3 through 2nd grade

And do you 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 will run 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 10:30. Resumes January 10.

**GET CONNECTED - Middle & H. S. youth.** Log in at 9:45am to play Kahoot and explore the parables of Jesus this month. Grades 6-12.

**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.

## Contributors to Today's Service

Preacher: Pastor Erik P. Kindem

Musicians: Minister of Music Jon Lackey, Accompanist James Jelastic

Lector: Liz Hernandez

Children's Message: Julie Ward

Prayers: Paul Bliss

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