

Season after Pentecost



September 26, 2021

Peace Lutheran Church



West Seattle, Washington

*Welcome to Peace! Whether you've joined us for worship "In-Person" or Live Stream
know that your presence enriches our community.*

THEME FOR WORSHIP: *Someone who isn't part of Jesus' circle is casting out demons in Jesus' name, and the disciples want him stopped. They appeal to Jesus, as Joshua did to Moses about the elders who prophesied without official authorization. Like Moses, Jesus refuses to see this as a threat. Jesus welcomes good being done in his name, even when it is not under his control. The circle we form around Jesus' word must be able to value good being done in ways we wouldn't do it, by people we can't keep tabs on.*

HOLY COMMUNION: We will celebrate Holy Communion today. Christ is the host of this meal of grace and is truly present, offering himself with the bread and wine.
All who want to meet Christ are welcome at this Table.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: As we begin worship we respectfully acknowledge that we gather on the ancestral homeland of the DUWAMISH PEOPLE.

We recognize the DUWAMISH and other SALISH PEOPLES, the FIRST STEWARDS of this land, who have called this region home from time immemorial.

+ GATHERING +

PRELUDE

Siciliano

John Alcock

WELCOME

GATHERING HYMN

As We Gather at Your Table

ELW #522 verse 1



1 As we gath-er at your ta-ble, as we lis-ten to your word,
2 Turn our wor-ship in-to wit-ness in the sac-ra-ment of life;
3 Gra-cious Spir-it, help us sum-mon oth-er guests to share that feast



help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
send us forth to love and serve you, bring-ing peace where there is strife.
where tri-um-phant Love will wel-come those who had been last and least.



Nour-ish us with sa-cred sto-ry till we claim it as our own;
Give us, Christ, your great com-pas-sion to for-give as you for-gave;
There no more will en-vy blind us nor will pride our peace de-stroy.



teach us through this ho-ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic-t'ry known.
may we still be-hold your im-age in the world you died to save.
as we join with saints and an-gels to re-peat the sound-ing joy.

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. Generous God, your Son gave his life that we might come to peace with you.
Give us a share of your Spirit, and in all we do empower us to bear the name of Jesus
Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

+ WORD +

FIRST READING: James 5:13-20

Julie Ward

Marks of the Christian community include praying for those who are sick and in need, celebrating with those in good health, restoring those who have strayed, confessing sins to one another, and offering forgiveness to each other.

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. ¹⁴Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them

pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. ¹⁶Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. ¹⁷Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

¹⁹My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, ²⁰you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

L The word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW #174

Please rise in body or in spirit as we prepare to receive the gospel.



P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 9th chapter.
C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: Mark 9:38-50

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus teaches his disciples about ministry that involves service and sacrifice. His disciples are slow to realize these words apply to them as well as to others.

John said to [Jesus,] "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." ³⁹But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me.

⁴⁰Whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

⁴² "If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. ⁴³If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. ⁴⁵And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. ⁴⁷And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

⁴⁹ "For everyone will be salted with fire. ⁵⁰Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

P The Gospel of the Lord. C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Julie Ward

"X's" marking the spots where children may sit during the children's message

SERMON

Pastor Erik Kindem

HYMN OF THE DAY

How Clear is Our Vocation, Lord

ELW #580 vs 1, 3, 4



1 How clear is our vo - ca - tion, Lord, when once we heed your call
2 But if, for - get - ful, we should find your yoke is hard to bear;
3 We mar - vel how your saints be - come in hin - drauc - es more sure;
4 In what you give us, Lord, to do, to - geth - er or a - lone,



to live ac - cord - ing to your word and dai - ly learn, re - freshed, re - stored,
if world - ly pres - sures fray the mind and love it - self can - not un - wind
whose joy - ful vir - tues put to shame the ca - sual way we wear your name,
in old rou - tines or ven - tures new, may we not cease to look to you,



that you are Lord of all and will not let us fall.
its tan - gled skein of care: our in - ward life re - pair.
and by our faults ob - scure your pow'r to cleanse and cure.
the cross you hung up - on, all you en - deav - ored done.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Heidi Eilers

A Made children and heirs of God's promise, we pray for the church, the world,
and all in need. *Petitions are offered that end with:*

A Lord in your mercy, C **hear our prayer.**

When all petitions have been offered:

A Receive these prayers, O God, and those in our hearts known only to you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. C **Amen.**

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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OFFERTORY

We Are An Offering

ELW #692



We lift our voic-es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an



of-fer-ing. Lord, use our voic - es, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our



lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing. All that we have, all that we are,



all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.



We lift our voic-es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you:



we are an of-fer-ing, we are an of-fer-ing.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray.

C God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through 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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son,
who reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
who preached good news to the poor,
and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

P In the night he shared his final meal with his friends,
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, given for you.
Do this for the 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.
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,
through whom all glory and honor is yours, Almighty and Altender God,
with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. Amen.

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we pray as Jesus taught us:

C **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 All who hunger and thirst, come.
The table is ready.

C **Thanks be to God!**

Both wine and grape juice are available; gluten-free wafers will be served. Children are welcome to receive when their parents believe they are ready, with the support of the pastor. Those who do not commune are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.

COMMUNION HYMN*Taste and See*

ELW #493

Congregation joins on refrain

Refrain - All

Taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord. Oh,
taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

A Let us pray. Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

+ SENDING +**BLESSING**

P The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
+ be upon you now and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN*O Christ, Our Light, Our Radiance True*

ELW #675 vs. 1, 5

1 O Christ, our light, O Ra - diance true, shine forth on
2 Fill with the ra - diance of your grace the wan - d'ers
3 Lord, o - pen all re - luc - tant ears and take a -
4 Lord, let your mer - cy's gen - tle ray shine down on
5 Make theirs with ours a sin - gle voice up - lift - ed,
those es - tranged from you, and bring them to your home a -
lost in er - ror's maze. Set free all those whose hearts and
way the need - less fears of those who trem - ble to ex -
oth - ers strayed a - way. To those in con - science wound - ed
ev - er to re - joice with wond - 'ring grat - i - tude and
gain, where their de - light shall nev - er end.
minds some deep de - lu - sion haunts and binds.
press the faith their in - most hearts con - fess.
sore show heav - en's wait - ing, o - pen door.
praise to you, O Lord, for bound - less grace.

A Go in peace. The Word dwells in you.

C **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

Postlude in D Minor

Leon Boellmann



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

RALLY DAY - Sunday, September 26th from 9:30-10:30am on the Peace Patio! Once again, we are having a (masked :)) walk-by, bike-by, or drive-by Rally Day where you can come and see your Sunday School teachers and pick up materials needed for class! We'll have chalk and church library books ready to go and have the canopies set up for any weather! :) Please bring some canned or packaged food to help fill our Little Free Pantry!

PRESCHOOL – 2nd GRADE SUNDAY SCHOOL: Join Teacher Melanie and Teacher Julie to start another year of fun Bible Stories, songs, conversations, and coloring! We'll be on Zoom again beginning at **8:45am–9:15am** each Sunday beginning October 3rd. ☺ Please see this [Google Doc](#) for details, schedule, and the weekly Zoom link.

2nd – 5th GRADE SUNDAY SCHOOL: Join Chris **via Zoom** every Sunday morning from **9:15am - 10:00am** beginning on **October 3rd**. We will be talking about Baptism, Communion, and other important elements of our Christian faith! Ending at 10:00am should give families who want to attend church in person time to travel to Peace. Looking forward to a fun year!

YOUTH (6th GRADE AND UP): Join Nicole in person outside on the Peace Patio every Sunday for hot cocoa and chats about Faith and Life! **9:30–10:15am** beginning October 3rd. Bring a coat and your favorite mug ☺. Come at 9:30 to get your cocoa, catch up with friends, and get settled in, so we can start our conversation at 9:45.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES Drive Concludes!! It's not too late to help supply school kids with needed items for this year. Instead of shopping yourself, please give dollars to the Seattle Times school supply program. They will go directly to several organizations: YWCA of Seattle, Helplink, etc. You may make your donation online at Peace's website, OR write a check and deliver it to the church office -- by October 1. Our financial folks will forward it for you. OR: Send your check directly to: *The Seattle Times School Supply Drive, PO Box C-11025, Seattle WA 98111*.

INVITE FROM PR. CHRIS ODE, LIVING STONES PRISON CONGREGATION

We invite your participation in our **ANNUAL RAFFLE**. This raffle is an important way to help sustain this ministry and your participation is deeply appreciated. This year we are offering multiple prizes. There will also be several prizes that will be handcrafted by our Living Stones men: paintings, drawings, quilted items, and crocheted projects. Our tickets are \$5 each or 6 for \$25. All proceeds support and benefit Living Stones Prison Congregation.

Raffle tickets will be on sale via the Peace Church Office during the months of Sept. – Oct.

There are 2 ways to purchase a raffle ticket:

1. Notify Kathleen in the office by email: office@peacelutheranseattle.org, indicating the number of tickets you wish to purchase. Kathleen will confirm your order by email.
2. You can drop by Peace during Kathleen's office hours and purchase raffle tickets with a check or cash.

PRAYER LIST

Please continue to remember the sick and home-bound of our congregation and others who have sought our prayers: Sick/Recovering: Jim Baker; Catherine Bell; Connie Benjamin; John Berrell; Joyce Berrell; Sonja Coffman; Cindy Collie; Gavriella DeBoer; Donna Dickson; Keili Geller; Nathaniel Gibson; Nancy Hauger; Jerry Heiland; Mackenzie Hull; Jeffrey; Ken Keyes; Ann Kimmel; Peter Dion Kindem; Mike Larson; Maya Marshall; Vicki Martinez; Bill Marts; Kelly & Pete McIntyre; Bill Nandor; JoAnn Nandor; John & Renee Parker; Bob & Rosemary Smalading; Aaden Smith; Leon Smith; JoAnne Spangler; Sean Stephens; Sarah Taylor; Karin VanSant; Louisa Wagner; Joyce Wolff

Homebound: Al Bartol; Ruth Johnson; Lee Lamson; Dorothy Linnell

We express our Christian sympathy to Brandi and Jesse Epley and family at the death of Brandi's father Tim Vanatta, age 58, on 9/16. Jesse is a grandson of Jean Sides.

RECONCILING IN CHRIST AFFIRMATION OF WELCOME

Christ calls us to reconciliation and wholeness, in a world that can be filled with alienation and brokenness. In faithfulness to the Gospel and to our Lutheran heritage, we answer Christ's call to be agents of healing and safety, particularly for people who have been marginalized by our society.

As a Christian community, we invite all people to join us as we work to better understand the meaning of grace for our lives. We welcome people of all sexual orientations and gender identities into the life and mission of our congregation.

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How Clear is Our Vocation, Lord

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