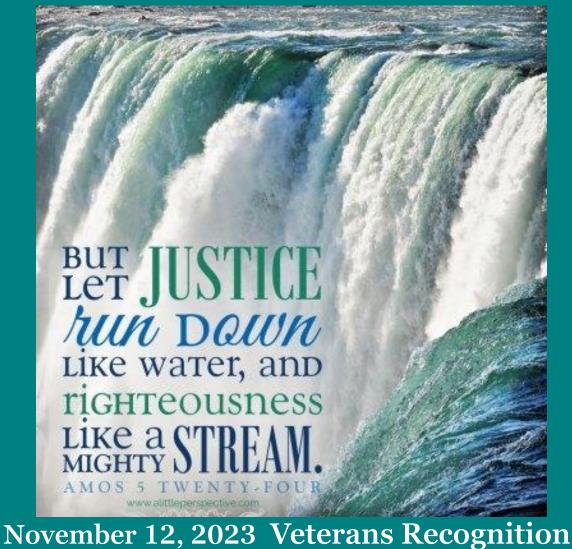
Season after Pentecost



Peace Lutheran Church



West Seattle, Washington

Today the prophet Amos calls for justice to roll down like waters. Paul urges us to encourage one another with the promised coming of the Lord. Jesus tells the parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids. Surrounded by the faithful of every time and place, we celebrate Christ's coming in our midst in the world of life and the feast of victory—the marriage feast of the lamb.
Our Pass the Hat Partner this month is <u>Operation Nightwatch</u>. Rev. Paul Benz, Jr. will be with us to tell us about this important ministry and the Sock it to Homelessness campaign.

Open Table ~ Open Invitation

We celebrate Christ's presence in the Sacrament of the Table each week at Peace. Christ, our Host, meets us in this meal of grace and offers himself, fully embodied, in the bread and wine. He invites all to come and meet him in this Holy Meal.

+ GATHERING +

P – Presider C – Congregation L - Lector A – Assisting Minister ELW – Evangelical Lutheran Worship

PRELUDE When Peace Like a River/The Water is Wide

arr. Rachel Trelstad Porter FLUTE: CHRIS KINDEM PIANO: JON LACKEY

WELCOME

RECOGNITION OF VETERANS

We hold all veterans and active duty service members and their families close in thought and prayer as we pray for God's dream of Shalom for this world to become a reality. Today we recognize veterans and active duty personnel who are part of our congregation's "extended family."

Gene Outlaw	Air Force	1952-1956
Bob Gaines	Marines	1955-1959
Jim Baker	Army National Guard	1960-1970
David Kehle	Air Force Reserve	1970-1976
Mel Jacob	Army Reserve (chaplain)	1976-2006
Jon Lackey	Air Force	1979-1982
Laura Dwyer	Navy	1986-1991
Jenn Ramirez-Robson	Air Force	1988-1990
Gered Bagocki	Marines	1998-2004
Kyle Bernd	Army	2021 – Active duty

PRAYER

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

- P Let us pray. Eternal Lord, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son Jesus. Today we lift up the lives of all veterans and their families. Preserve in health and safety all the service men and women of our nation and their families, and bless the ministry of chaplains who serve among our forces. As Jesus taught us to live, so may we live, day by day, that your dream of *Shalom* will be realized, and your will be done here on earth as in heaven. In the name of him who gave his life for all, Jesus Christ our Savior.
- C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

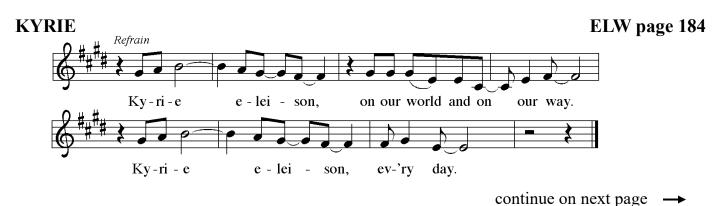
Eternal Father, Strong to Save

The final verse of our gathering hymn is from a hymn by Marty Haugen, God Bless the Hands, in the All Creation Sings hymnal.

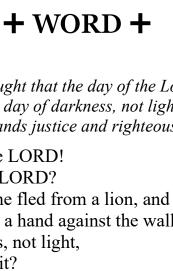


GREETING

- P The abounding grace of Jesus Christ, the steadfast love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.



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Rev. Paul Benz, Jr.

And also with you. Let us pray. O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

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Operation Nightwatch

FIRST READING: Amos 5:18-24

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In the days of Amos, people thought that the day of the Lord would be a time of great victory, but Amos announced that it would be a day of darkness, not light. He said liturgy is no substitute for obedience. The Lord demands justice and righteousness in the community.

Alas for you who desire the day of the LORD!

Why do you want the day of the LORD?

It is darkness, not light; ¹⁹as if someone fled from a lion, and was met by a bear;

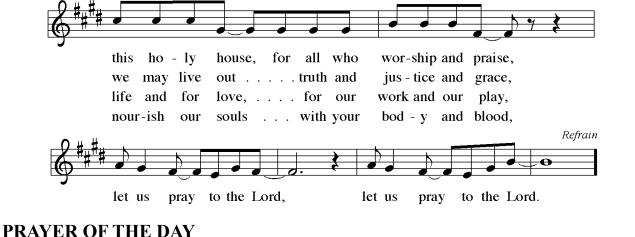
or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall, and was bitten by a snake.

²⁰Is not the day of the LORD darkness, not light,

and gloom with no brightness in it?

²¹I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.

Kathleen Keyes



²²Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon.

²³Take away from me the noise of your songs;

I will not listen to the melody of your harps.

²⁴But let justice roll down like waters,

and righteousness life an ever-flowing stream.

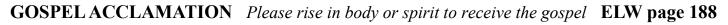
L The word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

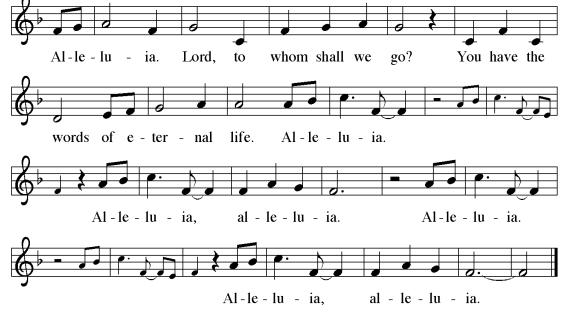
SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Some of the Thessalonians are worried that dead Christians will be excluded from the resurrection to eternal life when Christ comes again. Paul reassures them with the word of hope that all Christians, living or dead, will be raised into everlasting life with Christ.

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. ¹⁴For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. ¹⁵For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. ¹⁶For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. ¹⁸Therefore encourage one another with these words.

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.





- P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 25th Chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:1-13

Jesus tells a parable about God's inbreaking reign, emphasizing the need for readiness at all times.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. ²Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. ³When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; ⁴but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. ⁵As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. ⁶But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' ⁷Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. ⁸The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' ⁹But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' ¹⁰And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. ¹¹Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' ¹²But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' ¹³Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Nicole Klinemeier

Rev. Erik Kindem

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY Bring Peace to Earth Again ELW #700 Where ar - mies scourge the coun-try-side, and peo - ple flee in 1 fear, Where an - ger fes - ters in the heart, and strikes with cru - el 2 hand: by bit - ter strife, and love dis-solves in 3 Where homes are torn blame: 0 God, whose heart com-pas-sion-ate bears ev - 'ry hu - man pain, where si - rens scream through flam - ing nights, and death is ev - er near: where vio-lence stalks the trou - bled streets, and ter - ror haunts the land: shel-t'ring care hide deeds of hurt and shame: where walls you meant for vio - lent, wound-ing world till gen - tle - ness shall reign. re - deem this Refrain 0 God of mer - cy, hear our prayer: bring peace to earth a - gain!

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A Let us turn our hearts to God, our breath and life, as we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Petitions are offered that end with:

- A Hear us, O God.
- C Your mercy is great.

Paul Bliss

When all petitions have been offered:

- P We offer our spoken prayers and those held in our hearts trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

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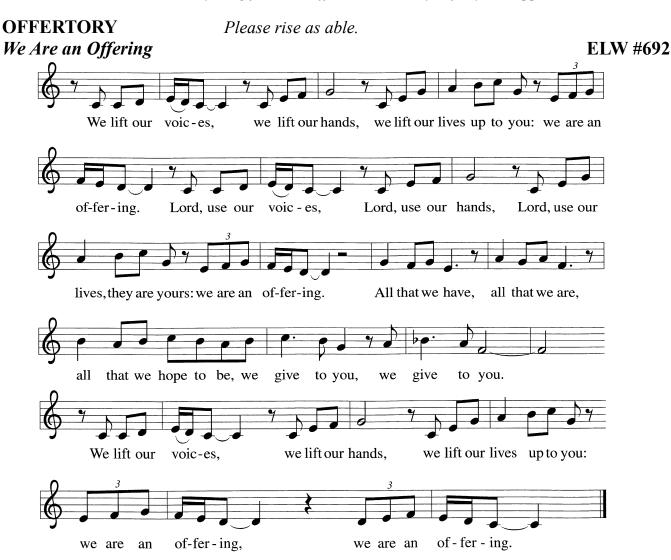
- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- **C** And also with you. We share a gesture of peace with our neighbors.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

Your financial gifts today support the ongoing ministry of our congregation, cooperative ventures of ELCA congregations throughout Western Washington, and Evangelical Lutheran ministries around the world. We invite you to give generously! You can place your gift in the offering plate, mail in a check, or connect to our secure <u>Tithely Giving Page</u> via this QR CODE. Whatever size, your gift makes difference—thank you for your support!





OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A Let us pray. God of all goodness,
- C generations have turned to you, gathered at your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them, that we may feast upon your very self, and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

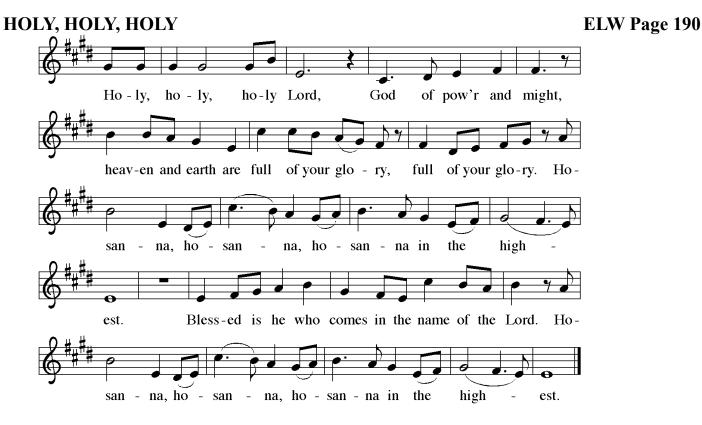
- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts!
- C We lift them to the Lord!
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, O 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 the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal:
 Surrounded by evil and bordered by death we appeal to you, our Sovereign, our Wisdom, and our Judge.

P We praise you for Christ, who proclaimed your reign of peace and promised an end to injustice and harm.

In the night in which he was handed over to death, 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 the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.
- P Remembering, therefore, the sacrifice of his life and death and the victory of his resurrection, we await with all the saints his loving redemption of our suffering world. Send your Spirit on these gifts of bread and wine

and on all who share in the body and blood of your Son.

Teach us your mercy and justice, and make all things new in Christ,

through whom 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)

- P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- 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 There is a place for you at the banquet. Come and feast at Jesus' table.
- C Thanks be to God!

DISTRIBUTION

We commune processionally. Extend your hands to receive bread. A gluten free wafer is also available. Both wine (dark) and grape juice (light) are available in ceramic cups. Place your empty cup in the box at the end of the front pew on your way back. Children are welcome to receive when their parents believe they are ready, with the support of the pastor. Any who prefer a blessing may cross their hands over their chest as they come forward.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray. Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet. Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way.

C Amen.

+ SENDING +

BLESSING

- P The God of all creation, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always.
- C Amen.



- A Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Postlude in E Major

John Stanley

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Altar Care	Karl Coy, Esme Klinemeier	
Communion Assistants	Karl Coy, Amelia Bliss	
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Counters	Paul Bliss, Kathleen Keyes	
Production Techs	Alex Wren, Dustin Smith	
Nursery Attendant	Heidi Coy	

OUR FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Our mission goal for 2023 anticipates receiving offering income of \$25,819 each month.

Offering Income received October 2023

Total	\$22,074.17
Electronic	<u>\$13,449.17</u>
10/29/23	\$ 2,113.00
10/22/23	\$ 1,995.00
10/15/23	\$ 645.00
10/08/23	\$ 2,792.00
10/01/23	\$ 1,080.00

Thank you for your gifts which support God's mission at Peace, in the larger community, and internationally through the ELCA.

THIS WEEK'S ACT FOR CREATION

We live in a hiker's paradise–a great place to celebrate <u>*Take a Hike Day*</u> this Friday the 17th. Being out in nature, whether in the Cascades, Olympics or our beloved Lincoln Park, helps us feel good. It also helps us recognize how climate change impacts access to the places we love to hike as we deal with wildfires, smoke, drought and increased temperatures throughout the seasons. This year, sections of the Pacific Crest Trail closed due to fire and storm damage. All we should face now is a little rain. So let's go!

Pray for Creation: We pray for success for tribes, their allies, and scientists seeking to reverse the disastrous decrease in native salmon.

PASS THE HAT 11/12 IS OPERATION NIGHTWATCH

This Sunday, Rev. Paul Benz the Younger will be at Peace to tell us about Operation Nightwatch and what they do. "Operation Nightwatch reduces the impact of poverty and homelessness, in keeping with Jesus' teaching to love our neighbors. Imagine no tents; no litter; no people alone under a bridge; no seniors without homes; because there are friends, housing, health care, treatment for all. At <u>Nightwatch</u>, we believe all this is possible, Not simply because we imagine it, but because God loves us all."

SOCK IT TO HOMELESSNESS

Comfort tired feet. Lift weary spirits. Give someone hope. Operation Nightwatch has a goal of collecting 30,000 pairs of socks in the next six months. Will you help? Find the Blue Tub in the narthex. Socks are critical to the comfort and well-being of homeless people. Imagine what it must be like to have the same pair of nasty, wet socks on your feet, 24-hours a day. Not good. Socks won't solve our community's homeless crisis. But socks can keep homeless people hopeful, knowing there are neighbors like you, who care. Sock It to Homelessness Open House Sunday, December 3, 2023 12:30 to 2:00 pm at our Shelter Dispatch Center **302 14th Ave S. Seattle**. For more information, call 206-323-4359, email us at info@seattlenightwatch.org or click here: Find Out More

HOLIDAY BAZAAR NOVEMBER 18-19

We are just a week away from the Bazaar on Saturday, November 18 and Sunday, November 19, and we need everyone's support to ensure a successful event!

Volunteers: Thank you to everyone who has already signed up for volunteer roles on November 17, 18, and 19. We still have some open spots that need to be filled. Sign up sheets are in the narthex. **Bakers/Cooks:** The bake sale is a key part of the Bazaar for drawing people to attend and for fundraising. <u>There can't be too many items in the bake sale!</u> Making food items is a great way to involve the whole family. Please pick up the informational handout about the bake sale in the narthex. It lists suggested items to make, items NOT to make per the King County Health department, and the drop-off dates and times.

Crafters/Artists/Makers: Thank you to everyone who has already brought their items to the fireside room next to the fellowship hall. For those who still need to do so, please fill out the donation form by the bazaar boxes so we know who to thank! Vintage handcrafts in good condition are also welcome. We are not able to accept any manufactured items - these are best kept for your yard sale or a donation to Goodwill.

It takes time to inventory items and make price tags, so the sooner we receive your items the sooner we can complete these tasks.

Everyone: Please take the time to share information about the Bazaar with family, friends, and co-workers - in emails and social media postings, in person and phone call invitations.

Make a lunch date for Saturday, November 18 to reconnect with someone over a delicious hot lunch of mac and cheese or lentil soup.

Our success raising funds for church programs, the West Seattle Food Bank, the White Center Food Bank and the Westside Neighbors shelter at the American Legion Post 160 in West Seattle, relies on everyone's support.

THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE 11/22 7 PM

OUR ANNUAL THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE OF WORSHIP is back and will be held **Wednesday, November 22nd at 7 pm**, with our traditional "pie potluck" following. This year you are invited to consider a donation to Lutheran Disaster Response for the Middle East Crisis. Due to escalating conflict in Gaza and Israel, a severe humanitarian crisis is rapidly unfolding in the Holy Land. The ELCA has a longstanding relationship with partners in the region, including the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land and Augusta Victoria Hospital.

CHIEF SEALTH HIGH SCHOOL AUCTION

For the first time in four years, Chief Sealth International High School is hosting an auction. We're so excited to be celebrating our school, its successes, and our students, teachers, and staff with an event that's sure to sparkle and amaze. The auction will be <u>December 2nd at 5:30 pm at the Brockey</u> <u>Center, South Seattle College.</u> The funds raised at auction are hugely impactful for our school.

To Buy tickets, donate funds or auction items, and learn more on our <u>CSIHS auction website</u>. You can preview what's already been donated <u>here</u> – including ticket packs for the Mariners and the Seahawks, ski and snowboard equipment, gift cards from all sorts of local West Seattle businesses. and a lakeside cabin getaway. P.S. Along with sponsorships and item donations, the PTSA <u>welcomes</u> <u>auction volunteers</u> too. You can also contact <u>Chris Kindem</u>, who serves on the Auction Committee.

ADVENT FESTIVAL DECEMBER 3, 9:00-10:15 AM

All your favorite traditions as we begin a new Advent Season and Church Year - Advent logs, paperwhites, card making, and more! Bring the whole family. Light breakfast will be served.

PRAYER LIST

Please continue to remember the sick and home-bound of our congregation and others who have sought our prayers: Sick/Recovering: Kathy Anderson; Barbara Brocker; Mary Brocker; Jan Burt; Colleen; Melanie Coulson; Heidi Coy; Marsha Davis; Laura Dwyer; Ruth Eilers; Georgine Epley; Sean Fenton; Joe Flint; Marge Flint; Caity Gerhardt; Sandy Goodale; Dawn Gringorten; Signa Gustafson; Dave Hemme; Robert Allen Hoffman III; Mary Jacob; Ken Keyes; Dee Levy; Justin Makboul; Evelyn Martinez; Eddie McDaniel; Chloe McDonough; Eric, Erin, Finley McDonough; Pete McIntyre; Ken McPherson; Erin McPherson; Steve Metzler; Katrina Moore; Bill Morrell; Penelope Grace; Michelle Pierce; Irma Runge; David Salazar; JoAnne Spangler; Sean Stephens; Sarah Taylor; Pam Webber; Judy Wiggins; Patti Wunder.

Homebound: Jim Baker; Connie Benjamin; Lee Lamson; Jan Madsen

PROTOCOL FOR PRAYER LIST We will keep people on the prayer list for one month unless otherwise specified or unless you contact the Peace office to extend the time.

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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