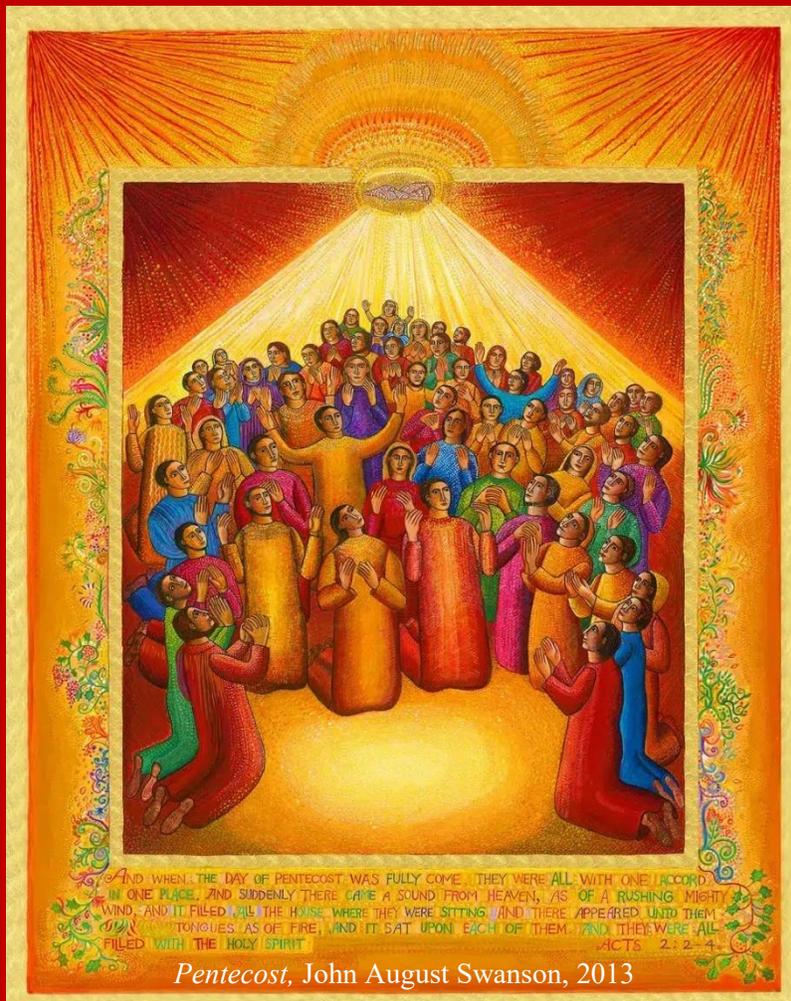


PENTECOST SUNDAY



RITE OF CONFIRMATION June 8, 2025

Peace Lutheran Church



West Seattle, Washington

Pentecost is a day of promises fulfilled. The promised Spirit of God is poured out.

The baptized have become “children of God” and “joint heirs with Christ.”

On this joyous day, seven young people of our congregation will make public profession of their faith and affirm their baptisms: Luna Churchill, Wyatt Gray, Esme Klinemeier, Kimberly Simmons, Mateo Leon Stephens, Jaxson Troupe, and Ben Ward.

A reception will be held in the fellowship hall downstairs following worship.

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 ACS – All Creation Sings

PRELUDE

Spirit of Gentleness

Flute, Violin, Piano

WELCOME

LITANY & GREETING *(From Acts 2:17-21) Please rise in body or Spirit*

- P In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
- C **And your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young people shall see visions,
and your elders shall dream dreams.**
- A Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.
- C **And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below, then everyone who calls
on the name of the Lord shall be saved.**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Please turn to face the processional cross as it makes its way forward.*

O Holy Spirit, Root of Life

ELW #399

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). It consists of three systems of music. The first system has three vocal parts: 1. Soprano: O Ho - ly Spir - it, root of life, cre -
2. Alto: E - ter - nal vig - or, Sav - ing One, you
3. Tenor: O ho - ly Wis - dom, soar - ing pow'r, en -
The second system continues the lyrics: a - tor, cleans - er of all things: a - noint our wounds, a -
free us by your liv - ing Word, be - com - ing flesh to
com - pass us with wings un - furled, and car - ry us, en -
The third system concludes the lyrics: wak - en us with lus - trous move - ment of your wings.
wear our pain, and all cre - a - tion is re - stored.
cir - cling all a - bove, be - low, and through the world.

GREETING

- P The grace of our risen Lord, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.
- C **And also with you.**

THIS IS THE FEAST

Refrain S 101



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

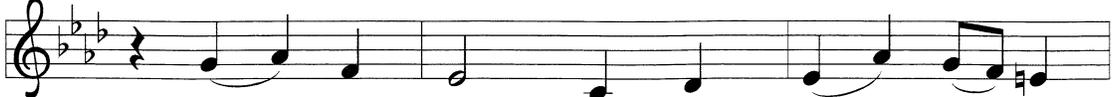


Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to



hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Refrain

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. God our creator, the resurrection of your Son offers life to all the peoples of Earth. By your Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, empowering our lives for service and our tongues for praise, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

+ WORD +

FIRST READING: GENESIS 11:1-9

Larry Cruse

The builders at Babel try to make a name for themselves, but God scatters them.

The miracle of Pentecost reverses this story, drawing diverse people together.

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ²And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. ⁴Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth."

⁵The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." ⁸So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

PSALMODY

Psalm 104

Ray Makeever

Choir sings verses; congregation joins on refrain, singing it through twice each time.

Refrain

When you send forth your Spir - it,
we are re - newed, we are re - newed. *repeat*

1. Manifold your works, O God of might:
Maker of the earth, the air, the light.
Waters great and wide and all therein,
Creatures that abide, let life begin! **Refrain**

2. When we look to you to give us food,
You open your hand, fill us with good.
When you hide your face, we are dismayed;
when you take away our breath, we fade. **Refrain**

3. May the glory of our God endure.
May our God be glad, be strong, be sure.
Unto you, O God, our praise we give:
We will sing your glory while we live. **Refrain**

4. Now may evil cease upon the earth;
Wickedness no more shall be of worth.
Pleasing God will be our only goal.
Alleluia! Blessed be God, my soul! **Refrain**

SECOND READING: Acts 2:1-13

Before Jesus ascended into heaven, he told his disciples they would be filled with the Holy Spirit. Now, surrounded by signs of fire, wind, and a variety of languages in their midst, the people were amazed and astonished at Jesus' promise coming true.

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language?" ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

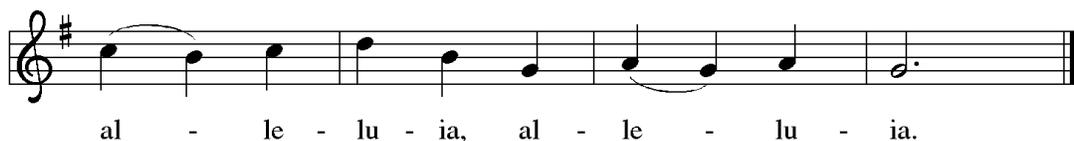
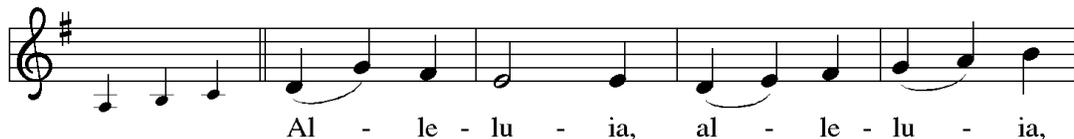
L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God!**

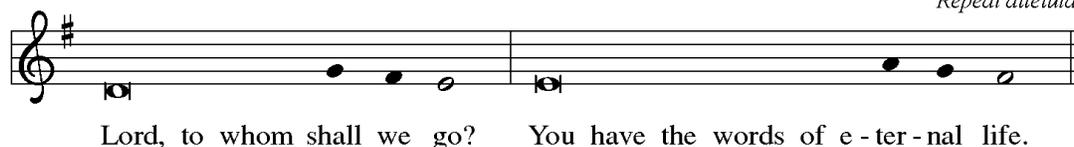
CHILDREN'S TIME

Nicole Klinemeier

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Please rise as able in body or spirit.*



Repeat alleluia



P The Holy Gospel according to John the 14th Chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord**

GOSPEL: John 14:8-17, 25-27

Though the disciples struggle with Jesus' nature and identity, they receive the promise that they too will be identified with God and God's mission. Though he must leave them now, Jesus promises the coming of the Advocate whom God will send to comfort and enlighten them.

Philip said to [Jesus,] "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?" ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹²Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

¹⁵"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you."

²⁵"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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

CHOIR ANTHEM

Send Us Now Your Spirit

Joseph Schuetky
Arr. James Dash

SERMON

Pastor Erik Kindem, Nicole Klinemeier

*Luna Churchill, Wyatt Gray, Esme Klinemeier, Mateo Leon-Stephens,
Kimberly Simmons, Jaxson Troupe, Ben Ward*

HYMN OF THE DAY

Spirit of Gentleness

ELW #396

Refrain

Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the wil - der - ness
call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,
stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff is the refrain, starting with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: "Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the wil - der - ness". The second staff continues the melody with lyrics: "call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,". The third staff concludes the phrase with lyrics: "stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea." The notation includes various note values, rests, and phrasing slurs.



1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,
 2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand,
 3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,
 4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.



then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;
 and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;
 then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;
 From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;



and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing:
 and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,
 and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,
 our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.



“A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings.”
 then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.
 when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.
 With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

+ RITE OF CONFIRMATION + *Affirmation of Baptism*

The candidates come forward and take their places.

P Family and friends, sisters and brothers in Christ, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for *Luna, Wyatt, Esme, Mateo, Kimberly, Jaxson, and Ben*, one with us in the body of Christ, who today are making public affirmation of their baptism.

The candidates introduce themselves and share their confirmation verse.

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Merciful God, we thank you for these sisters and brothers whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called them to yourself, enlightened them with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished them in the community of faith. Uphold your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

C **Amen.**

PROFESSION OF FAITH *Nicole Klinemeier addresses the candidates:*

N When you were baptized, God's NO became your NO, and God's YES became your YES. As you publicly affirm your baptism today, we ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Confirmands: I renounce them.

N Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God,

Confirmands: I renounce them.

N Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Confirmands: I renounce them.

The whole assembly rises and joins with the confirmands in confessing the Apostles' Creed.

P People of God, do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

The assembly is seated.

AFFIRMATION OF PROMISES/PRACTICES

P Sisters and brothers, you have made public profession of your faith.

Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in Holy Baptism:

- To *live* among God's faithful people,
- To *hear* the word of God and share in the Lord's supper,
- To *proclaim* the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
- To *serve* all people and all creation, following the example of Jesus,
- And to *strive* for justice and peace in all the earth?

If so, then answer: *I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.*

Each confirmand responds in turn.

Confirmand: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

P People of God, do you promise to support these young people and to pray for them in their life in Christ?

C **We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.**

LAYING ON OF HANDS

The candidates kneel. Family members, baptismal sponsors, mentors, and other members of the assembly are invited to come forward to lay on hands.

Each confirmand receives the prayer of blessing separately.

P Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give us new birth, cleanse us from sin, and raise us to eternal life.

Stir up in Name the gift of your Holy Spirit; confirm his/her faith, guide his/her life, empower him/her in serving, give him/her patience in suffering, and bring him/her to everlasting life.

C **Amen.**

Confirmands stand and face the congregation.

P Let us rejoice with these siblings in Christ.

C **We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world!**

RESPONSE HYMN

Will You Let Me Be Your Servant

ELW #659, vs. 1-3

1. Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you?
Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.
2. We are pilgrims on a journey, we are trav'lers on the road;
we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.
3. I will hold the Christ-light for you in the night-time of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long the hear.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Janet Cruse

A God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer 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.**

When all petitions have been offered:

P We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

C **Amen.**

+ MEAL +

THE PEACE

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

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OFFERTORY HYMN

We Raise Our Hands to You, O Lord

ELW#690, vs 1-3, 5



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
5 Through grace your new crea - a - tion lies in



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
hands held o - pen. O Giv - er of all



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.
good - ness, come, dwell with us in our earth - ly home.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

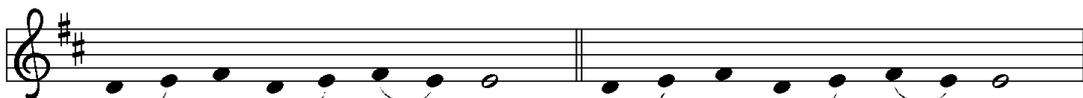
A Let us pray. Risen One,

C **you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring.**

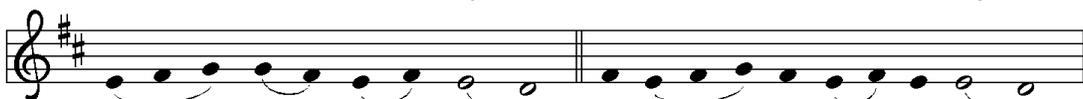
Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. Amen

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

ELW pg. 107



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.



Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P ♪ *It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:*

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

ELW pg. 108

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
 pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P Holy God, Breath of life and Fire of love:

With a mighty wind you brought creation into being,
 And by a pillar of fire you led your people into freedom.

C We praise you for the gift of your Son, who poured out your Spirit on his disciples of very race and nation.

P During his final meal with his friends, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to them, saying:

**C Take and eat, this is my body, given for you.
 Do this to remember 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, poured out for you and for all people
 For the forgiveness of sin. Do this to remember me.**

P For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
 we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

- P Come now, disturbing Spirit of God, breathe on these bodily things
and make us one body in Christ. Open our ears and unbind our tongues,
that we may go forth with the power of your Spirit to proclaim resurrection in the world.
- C **To you, O Sacred Trinity, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever!**



THE LORD’S PRAYER (*ecumenical*)

- P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we pray as Jesus taught:
- 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.**

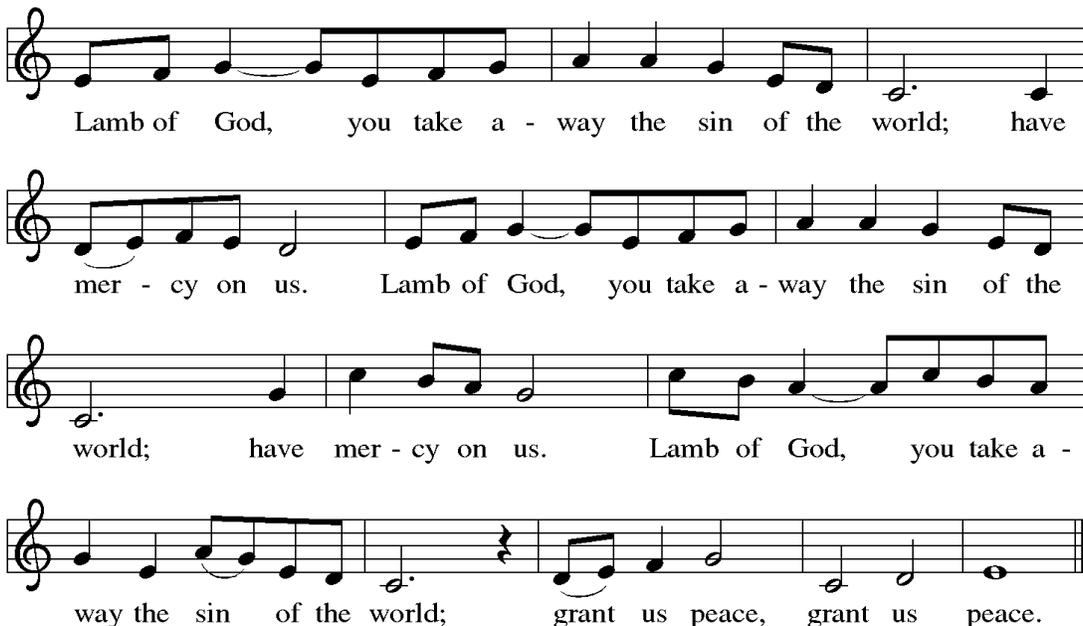
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- P Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.
- 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 the 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.

LAMB OF GOD





1 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.
 2 "When you heard the won-der of the Word I was there to cheer you on;
 3 "In the mid-dle a - ges of your life, not too old, no lon - ger young,



I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold.
 you were raised to praise the liv - ing Lord, to whom you now be - long.
 I'll be there to guide you through the night, com-plete what I've be - gun.



I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;
 If you find some-one to share your time and you join your hearts as one,
 When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you shut your wea - ry eyes,



in a blaze of light you wan-dered off to find where de-mons dwell."
 I'll be there to make your vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun."
 I'll be there as I have al - ways been, with just one more sur - prise."



4 "I was there to hear your born-ing cry, I'll be there when you are old.



I re - joiced the day you were bap-tized to see your life un - fold."

As Rivers Flow from a Distant Spring



1 As riv - ers flow from a dis - tant spring
 2 As trees rise up from the for - est floor
 3 As woods make shel - ter with - in its shade
 4 So let us praise you, Cre - a - tor God,



to quench our thirst and feed the earth,
 by roots that feed each limb a - bove,
 for beasts to feed and birds to nest,
 for worlds that wit - ness to your care,



so let our lives flow from you, our Source,
 so let our lives rise in praise to you
 so let our lives be a sheltered space,
 that show your presence in every place,



to counter death and nurture birth.
 from hearts we root in your deep love.
 a refuge for the worn to rest.
 your glory shining everywhere.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray. Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us.
 Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory,
 and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world.

C Amen.

+ SENDING +

BLESSING

P The Triune God, Creator, + Redeemer, and Guide, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen

ELW #548



1 Rise, O church, like Christ a - ris - en,
 2 Rise, trans - formed, and choose to fol - low
 3 Rise, re - mem - ber well the fu - ture
 4 Ser - vice be our sure vo - ca - tion;



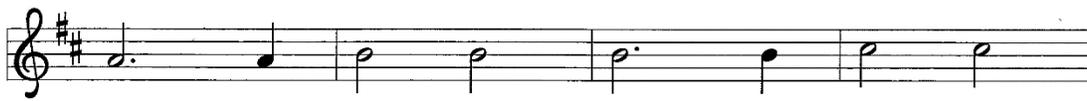
from this meal of love and grace;
 af - ter Christ, though wound - ed, whole;
 God has called us to re - ceive;
 cour - age be our dai - ly breath;



may we through such love en - vi - sion
 bro - ken, shared, our lives are hal - lowed
 pres - ent by God's lov - ing nur - ture,
 mer - cy be our des - ti - na - tion



whose we are, and whose, our praise.
 to re - lease and to con - sole.
 Spir - it - ed then let us live.
 from this day and un - to death.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia;
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia;
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia;
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



God, the won - der of our days.
 Christ, our pres - ent, past, and goal.
 Spir - it, grace by whom we live.
 Rise, O church, a liv - ing faith.

A Go in peace. God is at work in you.

C **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE



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Children's Message	Nicole Klinemeier
Greeters	Corinne Otakie, Jean Sides
Ushers	Audrey Zemke, Kristin Gimelli Hemme
Altar Care	Chris Kindem
Communion Assistants	Karl Coy, Shannon Williams
Coffee Server	Helen Hundley
Counters	Kevin Klinemeier, Kristin Gimelli Hemme
Production Techs	Joey DiJulio, Matthew Toso

RECEPTION FOR CONFIRMANDS

The Reception for our seven Confirmands will take place in the Fellowship Hall downstairs immediately following the service. We are grateful for the Adult Mentors who have accompanied these young people during the last year: Mary Jacob (Luna Churchill), Bill Kallio (Wyatt Gray), Janet Cruse (Esme Klinemeier), Kristin Gimelli Hemme (Kimberly Simmons), Mel Jacob (Mateo Leon Stephens), Steve Bernd (Jaxson Troupe), and Paul Bliss (Ben Ward). Please join us in supporting our young people in this significant milestone of their faith journey!

NO ATTENDANT IN NURSERY TODAY

Because her son Jaxson is being confirmed today, Heidi Coy will not be staffing the nursery. You are invited to keep your children with you or sit with them in the narthex, where tables are set up for quiet activities.

OUR FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

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

Offering Income received in June 2025

06/01/25	\$ 1,825.00
Electronic	\$ 1,386.01
Total	\$ 3,211.01

SERVICE TIME CHANGE TO 9:30 BEGINNING NEXT WEEK

Beginning next Sunday, June 15 our service time will switch to 9:30 am for the summer. It will remain at 9:30 through Labor Day Weekend and will revert to 10:30 on September 7.

THREE WEEK SEASON OF CREATION JUNE 15 – 29

Our 3-week *Season of Creation* begins next Sunday @ 9:30am under the theme: *All Flourishing is Mutual*, based on Robin Wall Kimmerer's book, *Serviceberry: Abundance and Reciprocity in the Natural World*.

To launch this series you are invited to bring something that is a gift from nature. For example, you might bring flowers, fruit, herbs, a rock, some honey, vegetables, or some other item. (Use your imagination!) You will be invited to place your contribution in front of the Altar/Table during the Gathering Hymn. Baskets and vases will be available in the narthex before worship, if needed, for your gift items. Edibles that are brought will be donated to the White Center Food Bank.

THIS WEEK'S ACT FOR CREATION

As we approach the *Season of Creation*, we turn our attention to the reciprocity that is nature. As our Season happens to kick off with Pollinator Week, we'll focus on the manifold gifts we receive from bees and how we in return can give them gifts of food, shelter and poison-free habitats. We'll particularly focus on our indigenous Mason Bee. **Pray for Creation:** On this World Oceans Day, we ask the Spirit to stir in us the commitment to unwavering participation in the healing of the waters that are essential to all of life.

NATIVE MASON BEES TALK JUNE 15TH

As we kickoff our *Season of Creation* next Sunday, we also enter Pollinator Week, a celebration of the vital role that pollinators play in our ecosystems, economies, and agriculture. We're putting a spotlight on our indigenous Mason Bees, super-effective pollinators drawn to native plantings like our Serviceberry trees. Grab a coffee hour treat and come to the patio after service to learn about Michael Truog's experience providing housing for these gentle native bees.

A SPRING CELLO CONCERT JUNE 10, 2025 @ 7:30 PM AT PEACE

Emerald West Cellos Present a Spring Cello Concert featuring music of Beethoven, Howl's Moving Castle/Joe Hisaishi, Bach, Klezmer, and Gershwin. Featuring MaryEllen DiGennaro, Nancy Gjording, Neva Kulp, Lison Jullien, Maddy Whisenant, Holly Rikhof, Gina Terrana, Alex Weeks, Cayden Wolfe. The ensemble is led by cellist and teacher [Lauren McShane](#).

GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS: LONGFELLOW CREEK JUNE 28

Join Trees for Seattle and Dirt Corps on Saturday, June 28 10am – 1pm for the third tree care skill share and volunteer work party at Longfellow Creek! You will learn how to properly apply mulch and water trees to keep them cool and hydrated during the hot dry season (summer!). You'll then practice these skills while caring for the adult trees in this special riparian forest. Come learn and care for this neighborhood greenspace with us! Here is the registration page: <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/g/huGQj2wJGV> Have questions? Please reach out to Dirt Corps at community@thedirtcorps.com. Thanks!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR REDESIGN OF PEACE WEBSITE

We are kicking off a redesign of the Peace website and are looking for volunteers to join a small working group to guide the process and submit recommendations to the church council. Meeting frequency and format is to be determined. Experience with web development is a plus but not required. There will be many non-technical ways to help as well. If you are interested in joining the working group please email Matthew at matt@toso.org. Keep an eye out for a survey coming later that will be collecting website feedback from the congregation.

PRAYER LIST

Please continue to remember the sick and home-bound of our congregation and others who have sought our prayers: **Sick/Recovering**: Rich Albers; Brittany Baker; Marlen Boivin; Deric Bevier; Mary Bocker; Jan Burt; Jeff & Dolly Chale; Jeffry Epley; Stephen Fuller; Barb G.; Michelle G.; Bob Gaines; Caity Gerhardt; Donna Heiland; Ellen Heritage; Maria Iriarte; Mary Jacob; Ken Keyes; Kari Kindem; Noah Kindem; Bree Kramer; Gordon Knight; John Lindsay; Jan Madsen; Don Maier; Evelyn Martinez; Steve Metzler; Jim Meyer; Kathy Peters; Melissa Peterson; Michelle Pierce; Kelly Renfro; Aaden Smith; Nancy Spannaus; Doug Sprague; Dave Stansbury; Sean Stephens; Sarah Taylor; Angela Walker; Pam Webber.

Homebound: Connie Benjamin; Lu Kramer; Marjorie Johnson; Inta Zagars

We express our Christian sympathy to the family of Marsha Davis who passed away recently. She was Eldon Olson's cousin.

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



Recent protests have pitted outside conservative groups against LGBTQIA+ community members and their Christian allies. As a *Reconciling in Christ* congregation we stand in solidarity with our LGBTQIA+ siblings. We oppose any ideology that suggests they are loved less by God, are predatory, or flawed than other human beings. Our AFFIRMATION OF WELCOME grounds us: *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 recognize that our congregation is strengthened by diversity, the embrace of equity, and our commitment to anti-racism. We welcome and celebrate the inclusion of those of any race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression into the life and mission of our congregation. We invite all people to join us as we work to better understand the meaning of grace for our lives.*

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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—and continue to call it home—from time immemorial. We join with them and with all people who see the Earth, its creatures, watersheds, and habitats, as part of an integral whole reflecting our Creator’s intention for wholeness and balance.

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