

SEASON AFTER PENTECOST



July 20, 2025

Peace Lutheran Church



West Seattle, Washington

Welcome to Peace – Your Presence Enriches Our Community!

Perhaps the church, at its best, is “all ears.” God urges the faithful, again and again, to “listen up!” Amos speaks to a people who have closed their ears to the poor and dispossessed. Paul invites the church at Colossae to pay attention to his proclamation about the Incarnate One, in whom all things “hold together.” In the company of Jesus, Mary and Martha are called to put aside other tasks so they can hear Jesus’ teaching. And in our gathering today we open our ears to hear the word of God, the word of life.

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*Today we will celebrate Holy Communion. Christ is the host of this meal of grace and offers himself fully, body and blood, in the bread and wine.
All are welcome to meet him at the Table.*

+ GATHERING +

P – *Presider* C – *Congregation* L – *Lector* A – *Assisting Minister*
ELW – *Evangelical Lutheran Worship Hymnal* ACS – *All Creation Sings*

PRELUDE

Pavane Op 50

Jim Hunt, violin
Janet Cruse, piano

WELCOME

GATHERING

Lord, Speak to Us, That We May Speak

ELW #676

1 Lord, speak to us, that we may speak in
2 Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead the
3 Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach the
4 Oh, fill us with your full - ness, Lord, un -
liv - ing ech - oes of your tone; as you have sought, so
wan - d'ring and the wa - v'ring feet; oh, feed us, Lord, that
pre - cious truths which you im - part; and wing our words, that
til our ver - y hearts o'er - flow in kin - dling thought and
let us seek your stray - ing chil - dren, lost and lone.
we may feed your hun - g'ring ones with man - na sweet.
they may reach the hid - den depths of man - y a heart.
glow - ing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.

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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

You Are Holy

ELW #525

Janet Cruse will provide instructions for singing in 2 parts.

1*
Du är he - lig, du är hel. Du är all - tid myck-et mer
You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more
än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, du är nä - ra än - då.
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.
Väl - sig - nad va - re du som kom - mer hit just nu,
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here

väl - sig - na - de vår jord, blir till bröd på vår jord.
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.

²
Du är he - lig, du är hel - het,
You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,

du är när - het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig!
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!

Ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na,
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!

ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na vår Gud.
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray. Eternal God, you draw near to us in Christ, and you make yourself our guest. Amid the cares of our lives, make us attentive to your presence, that we may treasure your word above all else, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

+ WORD +

FIRST READING: Amos 8:4-7, 11-12

Vicki Martinez

Amos announces God's judgment upon the people of Israel, who sin by oppressing the poor and engaging in deceitful business practices.

⁴ Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, ⁵ saying, 'When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practice deceit with false balances, ⁶ buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat.' ⁷ The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

¹¹ The time is surely coming, says the Lord GOD, when I will send a famine on the land; not a famine of bread, or a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD. ¹² They shall wander from sea to sea, and from north to east; they shall run to and fro, seeking the word of the LORD, but they shall not find it."

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Colossians 1:15-23

Sometimes Paul preaches with great attention to theological concepts.

Here, however, Paul offers a mystical teaching, that the great mystery of God is "Christ in you."

Because Christ is present in the church, Christians share in his life, suffering, and glory.

[Christ] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. ²¹And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²²he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him— ²³provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven.

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Please rise in body or spirit to receive the gospel.

ELW #174

The image shows two staves of musical notation for the Gospel Acclamation. The first staff is a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. Below the staff, the lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia." are written. The second staff is identical to the first, also with the lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia." below it.

P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 10th Chapter.

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

GOSPEL: Luke 10:38-42

During his visit to the home of Mary and Martha, Martha expresses that she is overburdened with ministry tasks. Jesus invites her to set them aside and to join Mary.

Now as [Jesus and his disciples] went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. ³⁹She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." ⁴¹But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

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



1 God, be the love to search and keep me; God, be the prayer to
 2 Bind to my-self the name of Ho - ly, great cloud of wit - ness -
 3 Bright-ness of sun and glow of moon-light, flash - ing of light - ning,
 4 Walk - ing be-hind to hem my jour - ney, go - ing a - head to
 5 Christ in the eyes of all who see me, Christ in the ears that



move my voice; God, be the strength to now up - hold me:
 es en - fold; proph - ets, a - pos - tles, an - gels wit - ness:
 strength of wind, depth of the sea to soil of plan - et:
 light my way, and from be - neath, a - bove, and all ways:
 hear my voice, Christ in the hearts of all who know me:



Refrain
 O Christ, sur - round me; O Christ, sur - round me.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Paul Bliss

A In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

Petitions are offered that end with:

A God of grace,

C **hear our prayer.**

When all petitions have been offered:

P Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.

C **Amen.**

+ MEAL +

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.** *Share a gesture of peace with your 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, can mail in a check, or connect to our secure [Tithely Giving Page](#) via this QR CODE. Whatever size, your gift makes difference—thank you for your support!



OFFERTORY

Take My Life, That I May Be

ELW #583, vs. 1-2

Refrain/Estribillo



To - ma, *oh* Dios, mi vo - lun - tad, y haz - la tu - ya, na - da más;
Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;



to - ma, sí, mi co - ra - zón y tu tro - no en él ten - drás.
take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.



1 *Que* mi vi - da en - te - ra es - té con - sa - gra -
1 Take my hands and let them move at the im -
2 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite



da a ti, Se - ñor; que a mis ma - nos pue -
pulse of thy love; take my feet and let
would I with - hold; take my in - tel - lect

Refrain/Estribillo



da guiar el im - pul - so de tu a - mor.
them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray. Creator God,

C in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful.

Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the Earth and our labor,
that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. 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 altender God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. And so, with all the creatures of earth, sea, and sky, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven 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 In the night he shared his final meal with his disciples, 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 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.**

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 The kin-dom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

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.

COMMUNION HYMN

This Is Christ's Body

ACS #967

This is Christ's bod - y, bro - ken and blest. Feed us with
mer-cy and love. We are Christ's bod - y,
bro-ken and blest. Heal us and make us one.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray. Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.

C **Amen.**

+ SENDING +

BLESSING

P The love of God abound in you; the grace of Christ fill your hearts;
and the life of the Spirit + bless you and give you peace.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Sent Forth By God's Blessing

ELW #547



1 Sent forth by God's bless - ing, our true faith con - fess - ing,
2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing to God ev - er - liv - ing,



the peo - ple of God from this dwell - ing take leave.
the tasks of our ev - 'ry - day life we will face—



The sup - per is end - ed. Oh, now be ex - tend - ed
our faith ev - er shar - ing, in love ev - er car - ing,



the fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.
em - brac - ing God's chil - dren, the whole hu - man race.



The seed of Christ's teach - ing, re - cep - tive souls
With your feast you feed us, with your light now



reach - ing, shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.
lead us; u - nite us as one in this life that we share.



Your grace shall in - cite us, your love shall u - nite us
Then may all the liv - ing with praise and thanks - giv - ing



to work for your king - dom and an - swer your call.
give hon - or to Christ and his name that we bear.

A Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Shalom

Jim Hunt, violin & Janet Cruse, piano

*In consideration for those who choose to remain for the postlude,
those who depart are invited to do so quietly.*



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Liturgical Assistant	Paul Bliss
Lector	Vicki Martinez
Children’s Sermon	Erik Kindem
Greeters	Jean Sides, Marcia Olson
Ushers	John & Debi Flint
Altar Care	Boots Winterstein
Communion Assistants	Sonja & Juliana Outlaw
Coffee Server	Ginger Nehrbass
Production Techs	Matthew Toso, Alex Wren
Counters	Paul Bliss, Jim Hunt
Nursery Attendant	Heidi Coy

OUR FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

<u>Offering Income received July 2025</u>	
07/06/25	\$ 4,968.00
07/13/25	\$ 2,851.00
Electronic	\$ 7,054.32
Total	\$14,873.31

THIS WEEK’S ACT FOR CREATION

This week, work hard to drive less. No matter what kind of vehicle you drive, driving less is one of the best ways to reduce your greenhouse gas emissions. Group your errands for the most efficient use of fuel. For those who are able, biking or walking is almost always the least polluting – and most healthful! – option. And remember it’s still *No Buy July!* Less buying = fewer shopping trips.

Pray for Creation: In this plastics-free July, we ask God to strengthen our will to put the good of our shared Earth over our own convenience.

PLC SUMMER POTLUCK TODAY!

There will be a summer potluck on the patio today following service. Food will be staged inside and seating will be outside under the canopies. Please join us!

ALTAR FLOWERS

Got flowers? Or abundant greenery? Would you like to share your abundance with Peace worshippers? A sign-up chart is posted on the narthex wall adjacent to the serving counter. Just indicate which Sunday(s) you'd like to contribute. Thank you!

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS AND GREETERS NEEDED

We are in great need of more communion assistants and greeters. Some volunteers are taking on roles quite a few Sundays to make sure all are served. Both are pretty straightforward roles. Greeters need to be here about half an hour early, and once the service starts, they are done. Serving communion happens during the service and requires no extra preparation. If you are already here, you could step up to serve communion. Please let Kathleen Keyes in the office know if you are interested. Training will be provided.

LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE-FLOODS IN TEXAS

Our hearts break anew with each update about the catastrophic flash floods in South Central Texas. We join the Rev. Sue Briner, bishop of the Southwestern Texas Synod, in her call to *“pray, pray, pray for those who are still lost as well as the families of those who are lost, who have died, or who have experienced loss of home or property.”* Merciful God, hear our prayer.

As ever and with your support, the ELCA, through Lutheran Disaster Response, stands ready to walk with our neighbors in the Texas hill country as the floodwaters recede and communities begin to navigate life on the other side of this horrific flood. Your gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response ensure that our neighbors are not alone on the long road to recovery after disasters like the floods in Texas.

Lutheran Disaster Response is coordinating with the Southwestern Texas Synod and will work with other partners as well to respond to urgent needs, provide emotional and spiritual care, and support cleanup and long-term recovery. To give by phone, call **800-638-3522**. Operators are ready to assist you Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Central Time. Checks or money orders can be mailed to: **Lutheran Disaster Response, P.O. Box 1809, Merrifield, VA 22116-8009**

PRAYER LIST

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

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

We express our Christian sympathy to 1. The family of Rich Albers who passed away last month. He was a member of Hope Lutheran. 2. The Stephens family on the death of Sean, Liz & Randy Hernandez' brother-in-law.

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

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, or are more 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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