

# REFORMATION SUNDAY



# QUILT BLESSING SUNDAY October 26, 2025

*Peace Lutheran Church*



*West Seattle, Washington*



*Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace—that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. THE QUILTS THAT SURROUND us, from the Peace Piecers ministry, are one example of what walking hand-in-hand with neighbors nearby and far away can look like. Today we bless and send them on their way to serve those in warmth, comfort, and shelter.*



*We celebrate Christ's presence in the Sacrament of the Table. 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 – *President*    C – *Congregation*    L – *Lector*    A – *Assisting Minister*  
ELW – *Evangelical Lutheran Worship Hymnal*

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME

## GATHERING HYMN

### *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

ELW #504

1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -  
2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -  
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - 'ning to de -  
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who

to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and  
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom  
vour us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they  
fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with

wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe  
God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?  
can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;  
weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,

has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might  
The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,  
in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;  
goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,

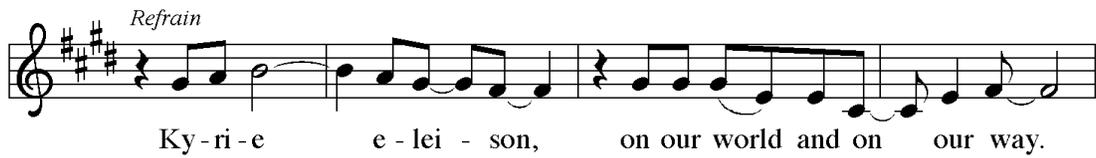
he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.  
God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.  
God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.  
they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

## 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.

*Refrain*



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.



- 1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the
- 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
- 4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the



u-ni-ty of all; for  
 hun-gry and the poor; that  
 friends and fam-i-ly; for  
 wa-ter and the word; that you



this ho-ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,  
 we may live out . . . . truth and jus-tice and grace,  
 life and for love, . . . . for our work and our play,  
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod-y and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

*Refrain*

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

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

**P** Let us pray. God of truth, Lord of freedom, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Spirit on your faithful people, keep us steadfast in your word, protect and comfort us in times of trial, defend us against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, 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: Jeremiah 31:27-34

Helen Hundley

*After the fall of Jerusalem to the Babylonian army, Jeremiah's message changes from doom to comfort. This reading presents the prophet's vision of the restored community of Israel. The new covenant will fulfill the original intention of the covenant with Moses—God and humanity living in harmonious relationship. The difference is that the people's response to the liberating God will come naturally.*

<sup>27</sup>The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. <sup>28</sup>And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the LORD. <sup>29</sup>In those days they shall no longer say: "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge." <sup>30</sup>But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge.

<sup>31</sup>The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>32</sup>It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. <sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup>No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

L Word of God. Word of Life.

C **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 46** *The congregation joins the choir on each refrain.*

The LORD of hosts is with us; the  
God of Ja - cob is our strong - hold.

Verse 1-3 *God is our refuge & strength...tremble with its tumult... Refrain*

Verse 4-6 *There is a river...and the earth melts away... Refrain*

Verse 7-9 *The Lord of hosts is with us, the God of Jacob is our refuge...*

Verse 10 Solo ... **Refrain**

Verse 11 *The Lord of hosts is with us, the God of Jacob is our stronghold. Refrain*

## SECOND READING: Romans 3:19-28

*Paul's words stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and the other Reformation leaders. No human beings make themselves right with God through works of the law. We are brought into a right relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ's death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.*

Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup>For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

<sup>21</sup>But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, <sup>22</sup>the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, <sup>23</sup>since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; <sup>24</sup>they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; <sup>26</sup>it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

<sup>27</sup>Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. <sup>28</sup>For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

L Word of God. Word of life.

C Thanks be to God.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Please rise in body or spirit to receive the gospel* ELW page 188

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the  
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

P The Holy Gospel according to John, the 8<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

## GOSPEL: John 8:31-36

*Here Jesus promises that true freedom--the freedom to serve our loving God--comes through the truth of the gospel. It is this truth that is revealed in the life of the Lord Jesus.*

Jesus said to the Judeans who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” <sup>33</sup>They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free’?”

<sup>34</sup>Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin.

<sup>35</sup>The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever.

<sup>36</sup>So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.”

**P** The gospel of our Lord.    **C** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## CHOIR ANTHEM

*Amazing Grace*

Arr. Richard Zgodava

## CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Helen Hundley

## SERMON

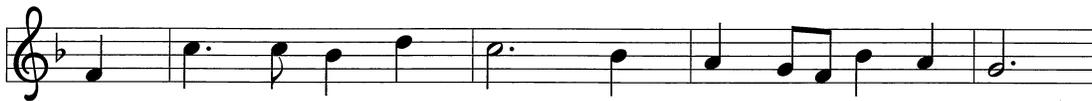
Pastor Erik Kindem

*Time for Reflection*

## HYMN OF DAYS

*Oh, Praise the Gracious Power*

ELW #651



1 Oh, praise the gra - cious pow'r that tum - bles walls of fear  
2 Oh, praise per - sis - tent truth that o - pens fist - ed minds  
3 Oh, praise in - clu - sive love, en - cir - cling ev - 'ry race,  
4 Oh, praise the word of faith that claims us as God's own,  
5 Oh, praise the tide of grace that laps at ev - 'ry shore



and gath - ers in one house of faith all strang - ers far and near:  
and eas - es from their anx - ious clutch the prej - u - dice that blinds:  
ob - liv - i - ous to gen - der, wealth, to so - cial rank or place:  
a liv - ing tem - ple built on Christ, our rock and cor - ner - stone:  
with vi - sions of a world at peace, no lon - ger bled by war:

*Refrain*



We praise you, Christ! Your cross has made us one!

## QUILT BLESSING

*We bless the quilts produced by the Piece Peacers quilting group and send them off to fulfill their purpose in the world.*

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Heidi Eilers

**A** Renewed in God’s everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation.

*Petitions are offered that end with:*

**A** God of grace,

**C** receive our prayer.

*When all petitions have been offered:*

**P** We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**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

*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 HYMN *Please rise in body or spirit*

#### *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

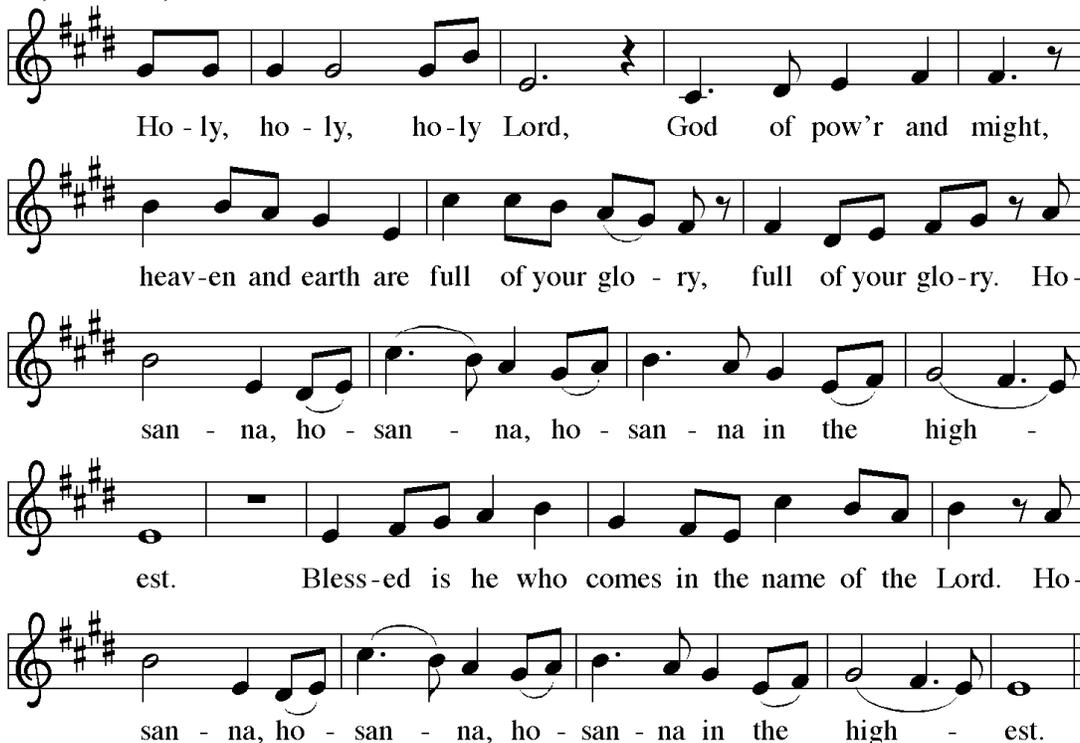
A Let us pray. Lord of the harvest,  
C **we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.**  
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:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

ELW Page 190



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

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P You are indeed holy, O God, the fountain of all holiness;  
You bring light from darkness, life from death, speech from silence.  
We worship you for our lives and for the world you give us.  
We thank you for the heritage of faith and freedom we have received from your hand,  
for the mission to which you have called and equipped us through your Holy Spirit,  
and for the new world to come and the love that will rule all in all.  
We praise you for Christ, who proclaimed your reign of peace  
and promised an end to injustice and harm.

In the night 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 As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P Pour out your Holy Spirit in this meal and make us one in this community of faith  
and with your people throughout the world.

Glory and praise to you, O God,  
Author of life, Word made flesh, Power of the Most High, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER *Ecumenical*

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

**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 Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. Come to this meal of mercy.

**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

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

# COMMUNION HYMN

## Welcome Table

ACS #969

1 I'm a-goin'-a eat at the wel-come ta - ble,  
2 I'm a-goin'-a feast on milk . . . and hon - ey,  
3 I'm a-goin'-a wade 'cross Jor - dan's riv - er,

I'm a-goin'-a eat at the wel-come ta - ble, some of these days.  
I'm a-goin'-a feast on milk . . . and hon-ey, some of these days.  
I'm a-goin'-a wade 'cross Jor - dan's riv - er, some of these days.

I'm a-goin'-a eat at the wel-come ta - ble,  
I'm a-goin'-a feast on milk . . . and hon - ey,  
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I'm goin' - a feast on milk . . . and hon-ey, some of these days.  
I'm goin' - a wade 'cross Jor - dan's riv - er, some of these days.

# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- A Let us pray. O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name.
- C Amen.

# + SENDING +

## BLESSING

P The God of mercy, who gives justice to the oppressed,  
who gives food to the hungry, who sets the prisoners free,  
✠ bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

## SENDING HYMN

### *The Church's One Foundation*

ELW #654



1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;  
2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,  
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,  
4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,  
5 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One,  
she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.  
her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth:  
by schisms . . rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,  
she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;  
and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.  
From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;  
one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,  
yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"  
till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,  
Oh, bless - ed heav'n - ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace.  
with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.  
and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.  
and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.  
and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.  
that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

A Go in peace. Do not lose heart.

C Thanks be to God!

## POSTLUDE

### *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

John Carter



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Ushers	John & Debi Flint
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Communion Assistant	Boots Winterstein, Kathleen Keyes
Coffee Server	Helen Hundley
Counters	Alan Jarvimaki, Jim Lukens
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Nursery Attendant	Heidi Coy

## OFFERING INCOME

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

### Offering Income received October 2025

10/5/25	\$ 1,578.00
10/12/25	\$ 2,675.00
10/19/25	\$ 3,770.00
<u>Electronic</u>	<u>\$ 9,866.41</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$17,889.47</b>

## THIS WEEK'S ACT FOR CREATION

Every third bite we take relies on pollinators! So let's plant now to feed them all next year. Now through November is the best time to sow wildflower seeds to feed those precious creatures! Many native species thrive when sown in the fall, as the seeds experience a chilling period that breaks dormancy, leading to better spring growth. Use whatever space you have. Whether you want to create a meadow or just seed a small flower bed, you can follow the advice on site preparation found at <https://northwestmeadowscapes.com/pages/planting-advice>.

**Pray for Creation:** As our planet is plagued by increasing greenhouse gases, we pray that lawmakers and corporate executives will hear our calls for policies that bring healing to our wounded home.

## CALLS TO ACTION – YOU RESPONDED!

Your response to last Sunday's Call to Action to protect, improve, and fully fund domestic and global food aid and nutrition assistance has been heartwarming...and encouraging! Please place your tally of contacts made with your U.S. senators and representative into the blue gift bag in the narthex. Apologies: some of you experienced an email glitch on Representative Jayapal's website; it has been reported; we hope it has been fixed by now. Please also note correct websites for House members: [name.house.gov](http://name.house.gov). (no "www").

## TODAY IS QUILT BLESSING SUNDAY

**Today beautiful and cozy quilts sewn by *Peace Piecers* will be blessed and sent on their way.** The Blessing of Quilts is a bi-annual event during which “Oohs” and “Ahhs” can be heard as worshippers appreciate the quilts draped over every pew. As expressed during our current visioning process, our congregation hopes that neighbors—including those unchurched or of other faith traditions—will participate in our mission and outreach. Peace Piecers is one group that has a long history with just that! This cross-generational group, coordinated by Barbara Hillier, includes PLC members, friends, relatives, *and neighbors*: Betty Beller, Sharon Clark, Colleen Cooke, Marty Dedrickson, Jacquelyn Nash, Sarah Killinger, Nancy Kiser, Lisa & Kimberly Simmons, and Barbara Hillier. The benefit is far reaching with each quilt being donated to Lutheran World Relief and Westside Baby who distribute them to grateful individuals near and far. Westside Baby, here in West Seattle, gives hundreds of layettes to women each year, all of which include a blanket or quilt. All of us, whether we sew or not, are invited to participate in this inspired group. Join in recognizing, blessing, and celebrating the work of *Peace Piecers* on Reformation Sunday, October 26th. If you are able, please share in the mission of the Peace Piecers by contributing to the cost of shipping the quilts. Checks can be made payable to Peace Lutheran Church with Quilts noted on the memo line. Thank you!

## FINANCIAL ADVISOR AT NEXT WIN MEETING 10/27 @ 7 PM

How do I maximize tax benefits when making donations from my IRA? Does creating a will feel overwhelming? How do I make sure a gift is made from my estate to my favorite non-profits, like my church? We have a professional financial advisor joining us for this meeting to help us understand, navigate, and maximize the world of donations, taxes, and wills. Learn what you can (and should) do personally and how your own congregation can benefit. Invite your fellow congregants, Stewardship leaders, Council members, friends, family- all can benefit from this important discussion.

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## ALL SAINTS SUNDAY – REMEMBERING OUR SAINTS

**November 2nd is ALL SAINTS SUNDAY.** In keeping with tradition, all are invited to bring photos or other remembrances of dear ones who have joined the “great cloud of witnesses.” We will be remembering in particular the following Peace people who have died in the last year: *Carrol Andersen, JoAnne Spangler, and Jim Meyer.*

## DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS 11/2

Remember to turn your clocks back before you come to church next Sunday. This will give you an extra hour of sleep.

## NOV 2nd IS 1st SUNDAY FOOD FOR OUR NEIGHBORS!

**November special features: canned pumpkin, packaged stuffing mixes, holiday spices and seasonings, dried fruit such as raisins.** Basic foods and ready-to-eat, nutritious food items are

welcomed, too. When you arrive next Sunday, please place your food offerings in front of the altar as a reminder that our food offerings are part of our worship. *Like to plan ahead? December's special features: prepared baking mixes, canned fruit (especially peaches), corn, green beans.*

## COMMUNITY EVENING PRAYER SUNDAY 11/2 FROM 5-6PM

Over the course of this program year, Peace will host a series of Evening Prayer services. The first one will take place from 5pm-6pm on All Saints/Souls Sunday. This service will include periods of silence, song, and prayer, and will be open to the larger community.

## PRAYER LIST

**Please continue to remember the sick and home-bound of our congregation and others who have sought our prayers:** **Sick/Recovering:** Marlen Boivin; Deric Bevier; Jan Burt; Vonda Cuchine; Jeffry Epley; Pio Escame; Stephen Fuller; Barb G.; Jon Gault; Nick Griffin; Donna Heiland; Cade Howard; Helen Hundley; Maria Iriarte; Kara J.; Mary Jacob; Mel Jacob; Peter Kalen; Ken Keyes; Kari Kindem; Gordon Knight; Jason Knudsen; Lu Kramer; John Lindsay; Evelyn Martinez; Helen McBride; Steve Metzler; Carol Mikesell; Kathy Peters; Melissa Peterson; Michelle Pierce; Wes Price; Kelly Renfro; Allie S.; Robert Shampain; Aaden Smith; Nancy Spannaus; Sarah Taylor; Benjamin Toso; Tracy and Ralph; Angela Walker; Pam Webber; Megan Webber; Jeannette Whitworth.

**Homebound:** Connie Benjamin; Joyce Bitner; Bob Gaines; Lu Kramer; Marjorie Johnson; Inta Zagars  
**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 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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