SEASON OF PENTECOST



November 8, 2026

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 word of life and the feast of victory—the marriage feast of the Lamb.

Our Pass the Hat Partner this month is Lutheran Campus Ministry at the University of Washington. Past Joseph Li will be with us to give us an update on his work with international students.

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME

RECOGNITION OF VETERANS AND PRAYER

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
David Kehle	*Air Force Reserve*	1970-1976
Mel Jacob	*Army Reserve (chaplain)*	1976-2006
Jon Lackey	*Air Force*	1979-1982
Jenn Ramirez-Robson	*Air Force*	1988-1990
Daniel Sorensen	*Navy Reserve (chaplain)*	1993-present
Debbie Sorensen	*Navy*	1994-2002
Gered Bagocki	*Marines*	1998-2004
Kyle Bernd	*Army*	2021 – Active duty

GATHERING HYMN ***O Beautiful for Spacious Skies*** **ELW #888**

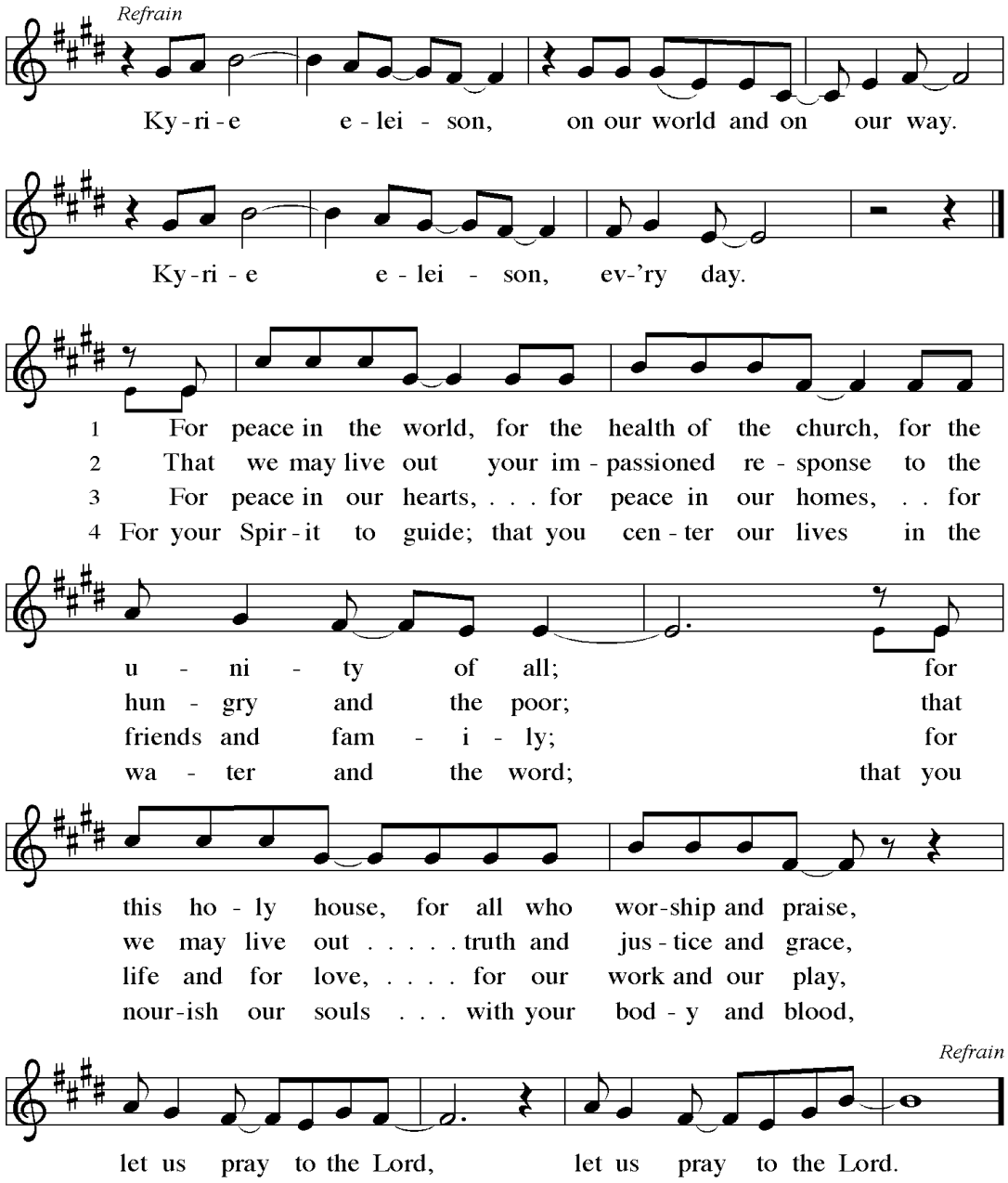


GREETING

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.

KYRIE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P 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.

C Amen.

PASS THE HAT ***UW Lutheran Campus Ministry*** Pastor Joseph Li

+ WORD +

FIRST READING: Amos 5:18-24 Larry Cruse

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.

18 Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD!
Why do you want the day of the LORD?
It is darkness, not light,
19 as 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.
20 Is not the day of the LORD darkness, not light,
and gloom with no brightness in it?
21 I hate, I despise your festivals,
and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.
22 Even 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.
23 Take away from me the noise of your songs;
I will not listen to the melody of your harps.
24 But let justice roll down like water
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

L Word of God. Word of life.
C Thanks be to God.

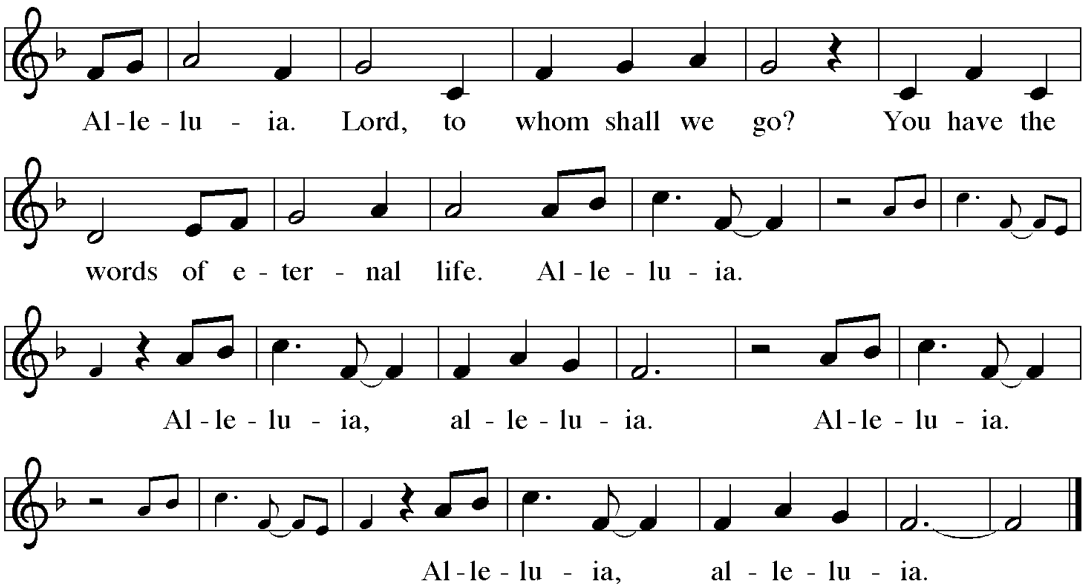
SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

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.

13 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. 14 For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. 15 For 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. 16 For 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. 17 Then 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. 18 Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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**



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 his own second coming, emphasizing the need for readiness at all times.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] [1] "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten young women took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. [2] Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. [3] When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, [4] but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. [5] As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. [6] But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' [7] Then all those young women got up and trimmed their lamps. [8] The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' [9] But 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.' [10] And 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. [11] Later the other young women came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' [12] But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' [13] Keep 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 Shannon Williams

SERMON Rev. Erik Kindem
Time for Reflection

HYMN OF THE DAY *Please rise in body or spirit.*

Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning **ACS #949**



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION Janet Cruse

A United with the great cloud of witnesses, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

Petitions are offered that end with:

A God, in your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

When all petitions have been offered:

P Into your steadfast love, faithful God, we entrust all for whom we pray, in the name of Jesus, your beloved.

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, 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 *We Are an Offering* ELW #692



OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray. Eternal God,

C our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you. Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us, until hunger is no more, and all the world is fed, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts!

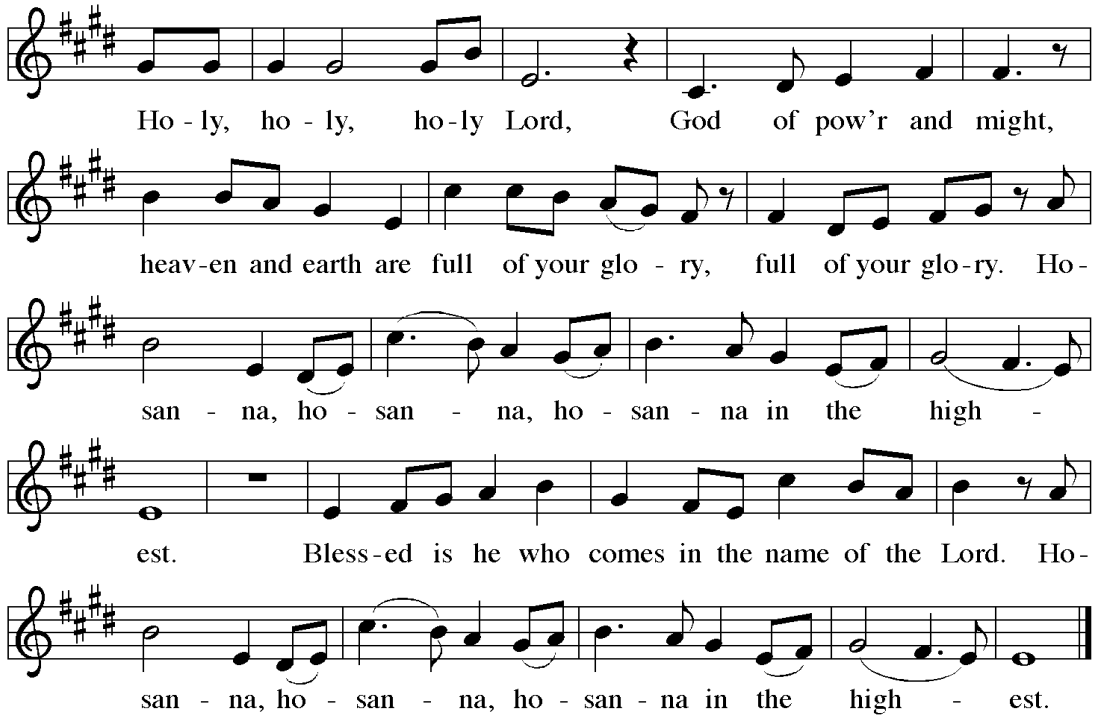
C We lift them to the Lord!

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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 merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the witness of the saints you show us the hope of our calling, and strengthen us to run the race set before us, that we may delight in your mercy, and rejoice with them in glory. And so, with all the saints, with earth, sea, and sky and all their creatures, and with the choir of angels and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY **ELW Page 190**



EUCHARISTIC 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 new world to come and for 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 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 For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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

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

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

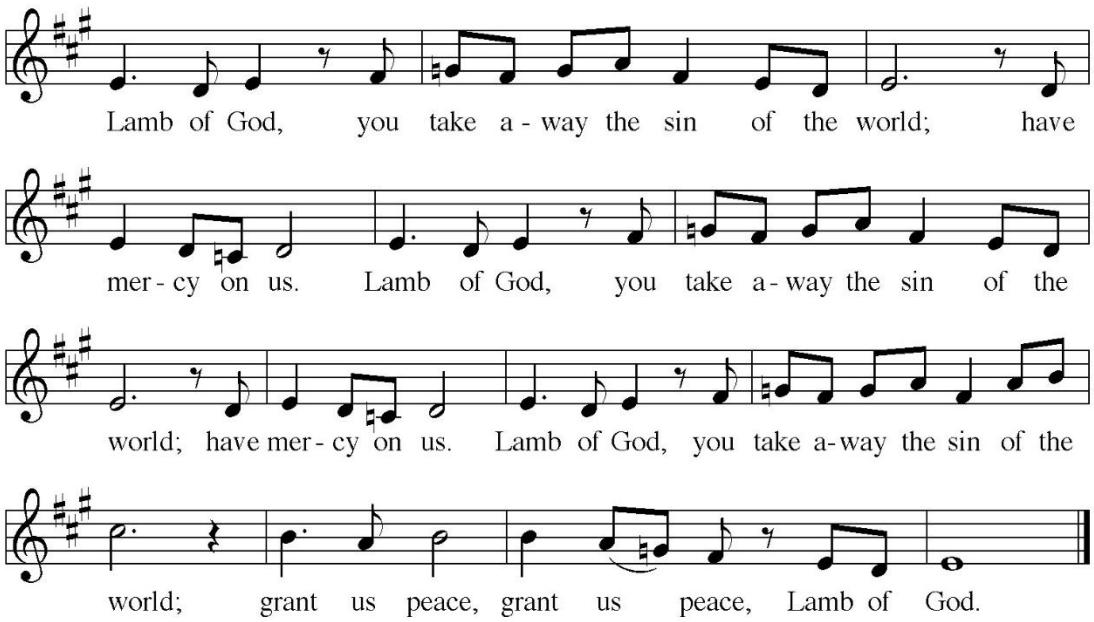
P In bread and cup the reign of Christ is breaking in.
Come, receive what Christ has prepared.

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.

LAMB OF GOD **ELW page 191**



COMMUNION HYMN ***When Peace Like a River*** **ELW #785**



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray. Holy God,

C we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal.
You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly.
Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever. Amen.

✝ SENDING ✝

BLESSING

P The holy Trinity, Creator, ✝ Redeemer, and Guide,
bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God,
today and always.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN ***Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers*** **ELW #244**



DISMISSAL

A Go in peace. Encourage one another.

C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE *Those who wish to depart before the postlude is finished are invited to do so quietly.*

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OUR FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

The 2026 budget authorized by the congregation at the Annual Meeting calls for an average of $30,017 in offering income monthly. Thank you for your gifts which support God's mission at Peace, in the Northwest region, and internationally through the ELCA!

Offering Income received in November 2026

11/01/26	$ 2,992.00
Electronic	$ 1,292.90
Total for October	$ 4,284.90

THIS WEEK'S ACT FOR CREATION

As Wendell Berry writes, *"There are no unsacred places. There are only sacred places and desecrated places."* Identify a place that is sacred to you. What makes it so? How can you care for that place? How might you engage others to care as you do?

WE REMEMBER VETERANS TODAY

At the beginning of worship this Sunday we will be calling role and acknowledging all the veterans and active duty and reserve personnel who are connected to Peace or are in attendance during worship.

OPERATION NIGHTWATCH—SOCK IT TO HOMELESSNESS

Operation Nightwatch has a goal of collecting 30,000 pairs of socks in the next six months and we can help!. 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. **DEPOSIT SOCKS IN THE NARTHEX TUB DURING MONTH OF NOVEMBER.**

THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE 11/25 @ 7 PM

OUR ANNUAL THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE OF WORSHIP will be held **Wednesday, November 26 at 7 pm,** with our traditional "pie potluck" following. This year's Thanksgiving offering will support *The Welcome Table*. Donations, payable to PLC, may be made throughout the month.

ADVENT FEST! NOVEMBER 29, 9:15—10:15 AM

ADVENT begins November 29th with our annual Advent Fest, including all your favorite traditions - Advent logs, paperwhites, card making, and more! Bring the whole family. A light breakfast will be served. Advent packets and devotionals will be available for you to pick up and use at home.

O ANTIPHONS SERVICE AT ST. MARK'S CATHEDRAL 11/29

A group from Peace will be attending the annual *O Antiphons Service* at St. Mark's Cathedral the evening of November 29—a wonderful musical experience and meaningful entry point into the church year. Let the church office know if you're in need of transportation.

PARENT'S NIGHT OUT YOUTH FUNDRAISER 12/5

On December 5 from 4-8pm there will be Science Experiments, Fort Building, Crafts, Baking, Games, Quiet Activities as well as dinner. The cost is by donation--$50/kid is the recommendation, but more or less is also acceptable. Funds go towards summer 2027's *National Youth Gathering* and *Campership*s. Please leave screens at home.

WEDNESDAY EVENING GATHERINGS IN ADVENT

The Peace Worship Planning Team invites you to ADVENT WEDNESDAY EVENINGS at the home of Paul and Boots Winterstein, **December 2, 9, and 16**; 6 pm: simple soup supper, 7 pm: Evening Prayer around the Advent Wreath. Come for one or both! 8108 11th Ave SW, Seattle (SE corner of 11th Ave SW and SW Elmgrove in Highland Park). Plenty of parking. Questions? call 206-762-1362 or email bandpwinterstein@gmail.com.

OUR STEWARDSHIP FOCUS WILL BE IN JANUARY

Our Annual Stewardship Campaign will be held in January 2027, as we prepare for our Annual Meeting and enter a year of transition. The theme: *All Shall Be Well.*

AN IMPORTANT REQUEST FROM CAMP LUTHERWOOD

Lutherwood Family: **We need your support.** 2026 was an AMAZING summer, and so many people experienced Grace at camp. Unfortunately, our water system began to show its age, forcing Lutherwood to spend reserves to ensure clean water flowed. Now, we need your help meeting the gap in our unexpected expenses. Will you make a donation today to support camp and help us meet our goal of an additional $40,000? Your generosity means Lutherwood continues to be critical faith infrastructure for the Pacific Northwest! Make a gift here: **camplutherwood.org/give**

SAVE THRIFTWAY RECEIPTS

Please save your Thriftway receipts and bring them to Peace. There is a clear plastic box on the counter in the narthex across from Pastor Erik's office that you can put the receipts in. The receipts are totaled and returned to Thriftway. They in turn donate 1% of the total to the West Seattle Food Bank. This is a great way to help people and make an impact with very little effort.

WILL YOU HELP WITH ALTAR FLOWERS/GREENERY?

Got flowers? Or greenery from your garden? We invite you to sign up to provide chancel flowers; just sign your name by your preferred dates on the chart in the narthex adjacent to the serving area. Thanks!

PRAYER LIST

Please continue to remember the sick and home-bound of our congregation and others who have sought our prayers: **Sick/Recovering**: Gary Aguilar; Jeff & Dolly Chale; Vonda Cuchine; Justin Dexter; Joe DiJulio; Jeffry Epley; Jackie Farah; Bill Ferris; Ann Gault; Donna Heiland; Barbara Hillier; Evelyn Horton; Jerry Horton; Cade Howard; Maria Iriarte; Jane; David Keyes; Andrea Kindem; Cole Kindem; Kari Kindem; Gordon Knight; Jason Knudsen; Lu Kramer; John Lindsay; Jan Madsen; Evelyn Martinez; Cheryl McCabria; Pete & Kelly McIntryre; Sarah McKeown; Erik Nelson; Juliana Outlaw; Michelle Pierce; Ben Pihl; June Killinger Poginy; Hadyn Prugh; Rebecca; Kelly Renfro; Jim Ritchie; Sarah; Aaden Smith; Connie Stephens; Sarah Taylor; Allison Toso; Jaxson Troupe; Inge Williams; Shannon Williams; Willy. **Homebound**: Connie Benjamin; Joyce Bitner; Bob Gaines; Lu Kramer; Marjorie Johnson; Helen Nesbitt; 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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