

Peace Lutheran Church



West Seattle, Washington

Welcome to Live Stream worship. We're glad you've found your way to Peace!

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We will celebrate Holy Communion today. If you desire to participate, please set aside bread and wine (or grape juice) now.

This Live Stream Service can be found on our YouTube Channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCZ kC390-EvxqHEpTQR-cxg/

+ GATHERING +

PRELUDE

Let Us Break Bread Together

James Jelasic

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who creates, redeems, and sustains us and all of creation.
- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for reflection

- P Faithful God, have mercy on us.
- C We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.

We turn from your loving embrace and go our own way.

We pass judgement on one another before examining ourselves.

We place our own needs before those of our neighbors.

We keep your gift of salvation to ourselves.

Make us humble, cast away our transgressions, and turn us again to life in you through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

- P God hears the cries of all who call out in need, and through his death and resurrection, Christ has made us his own. Hear the truth that God proclaims:

 Your sins are forgiven in the name of + Jesus Christ.

 Led by the Holy Spirit, live in freedom and newness to do God's work in the world.
- C Thanks be to God!

Laura Bermes ELW #523

Let Us Go Now to the Banquet



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GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray together:
- C Sovereign God, raise your throne in our hearts. Created by you, let us live in your image; created for you, let us act for your glory; redeemed by you, let us give you what is yours, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

+ WORD +

FIRST READING: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Dustin Smith

Most likely this letter is the first written by Paul. Paul gives pastoral encouragement and reassurances to new Christians living in an antagonistic environment. Their commitment of faith, love, and hope makes them a model for other new Christian communities.

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

²We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, ⁷so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. ⁹For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, ¹⁰and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead--Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

- L Holy Wisdom. Holy word.
- C Thanks be to God.
- L The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 22nd Chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: Matthew 22:15-22

Heidi Eilers

After Jesus begins preaching in the temple, religious leaders try to trap him with questions. First they ask if God's people should pay taxes to an earthly tyrant like Caesar.

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. ¹⁶So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" ²¹They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." ²²When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

L The Gospel of the Lord. C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Melanie Coulson

INVITATION TO OFFERING OF LETTERS

Clark Hansen



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PRAYERS

Petitions are offered that end with:

- P Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

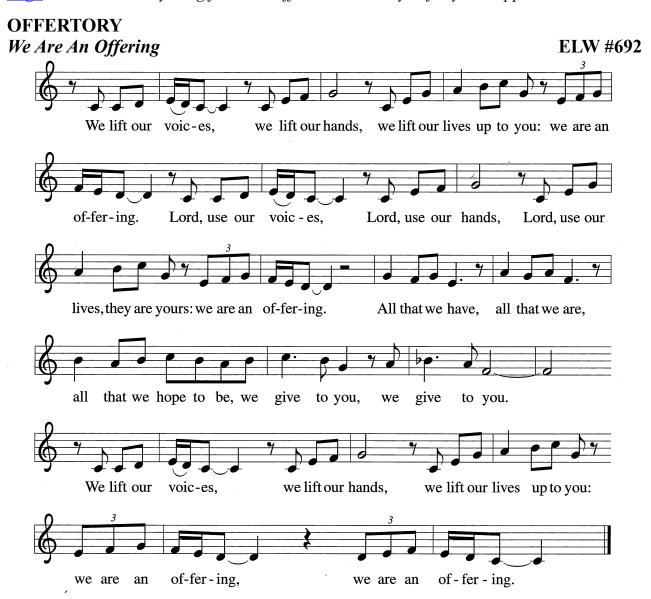
+ MEAL +

THE PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

OFFERING

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Gather all who will be participating in the Holy Communion Meal.

Choose someone who will lift up the elements at the appropriate time,
following Heidi's leadership.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

- P Blessed are you,
- C O Lord our God, maker of all things. You have set before us these gifts of your good creation. Prepare us for your heavenly banquet, nourish us with this rich food and drink, and send us forth to set tables in the midst of a suffering world, through the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
- P Bless these letters, O Defender of the Poor, that our messages may move Congress to pass life-giving measures that eradicate hunger for all your children and that lead to abundant life for all. We pray in the power of your Spirit, our Advocate. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Open your hearts.
- C We open them to God and to one another.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give God thanks and praise.
- P For all your gifts, O God, your people give you praise. Within the unnamed void you spun the starlight and the gentle moon. While darkness lay untouched by sun, you wove for all a garment of life, and all creation gives you praise.
- C Your cloak is many-colored: verdant fields, flowing waters, creatures of the land and sea, people young and old delight to sing the wonder of your love.
- P Spinner, weaver, seamstress of our lives, your loom is love, your creation good, and all your works proclaim:
- C Holy, Holy one, God of Power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest: blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

- P Holy God, our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food, You created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.
- C You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life, and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven.
 You sent your Son to eat with sinners and to become food for the world.
- P In the night in which he was betrayed, 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 broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me.
- P Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
- C This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

- P Remembering, therefore, his acts of healing, his life given for us, and his rising from the grave, we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.
- C By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal: strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want, and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son.
- P Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty and Altender God, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.
- C Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER Ecumenical

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 banquet table where Christ gives himself as food and drink.
- C Thanks be to God!

Take the gifts of bread and wine/juice into your bodies now, whether you are alone or in the company of others, giving thanks for these gifts of grace!

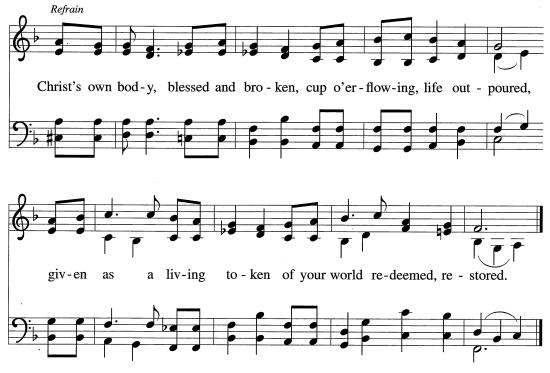
Anything that remains can be incorporated into your next meal.

COMMUNION HYMN

By Your Hand You Feed Your People

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- P We give you thanks, gracious God, that you have once again fed us with food beyond compare, the body and blood of Christ. Lead us, nourished and forgiven, into your beloved vineyard to wipe away the tears of all who hunger and thirst, guided by the example of the Jesus Christ and led by the Holy Spirit, now and forever.
- C Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

- P Brothers and sisters, beloved and chosen by God, go now to accomplish your work of faith and labor of love, held steadfast by the hope given you through our Lord Jesus Christ. Mothering God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life.
- C Amen.

+ SENDING +

SENDING HYMN

By Your Hand You Feed Your People

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- P Go in peace. Feed the hungry. Remember the poor.
- C Thanks be to God!

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CHRISTIAN ED/FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE

ADULT SUNDAY CLASS MEETS SUNDAYS AT 8:45am via ZOOM

If you have been a regular participant, look for a ZOOM invite in your inbox each Sunday morning. If you have not participated regularly but would like to join, email Pastor Kindem with your request. Our book: <u>WHITE FRAGILITY: Why it's so hard for white people to talk about racism</u>, by Robin DiAngelo. Acquire your own copy in advance.

ABC'S, THE BIBLE, AND YOU_- Hey, kids, are you age 3 through 2nd grade and like stories? Join Julie and Melanie on Zoom for a Bible story each week. You'll also get to do crafts and sing fun, silly songs, and see you friends. Sounds like a blast! Class will run from 9:45 to 10:15 or so.

WHIRL KIDS - Calling all 2nd to 5th graders. Chris will meet you on Zoom for Whirl videos, digging into the Bible, and talking about life together. Don't miss out! Class will run from 9:45 to 10:30.

GET CONNECTED - Middle school and high school youth are invited to get connected to the Bible and each other. We will be walking through the Bible with the Connect curriculum videos and drawing connections between different stories. This class will be great for anyone who wants to know more about the Bible even if you know very little. That's the book with Jesus in it, right? Class will run from 9:45 to 10:30 or so.

FAITH LENS - High school youth and beyond are invited to discuss the current news stories and the weekly Gospel reading. There is a lot happening right now. Lets come together and try to make sense of it asking "where is God in this story"? This class will meet at 9-9:45am. Having your breakfast or morning beverage close by is encouraged.