

Veterans Sunday

Peace Lutheran Church



West Seattle, Washington

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Preacher and Presider: Pastor Erik P. Kindem Musicians: Minister of Music Jon Lackey, Accompanist James Jelasic, Flutist Chris Kindem Lector: John Flint Prayers: Paul Bliss Production technicians: Joey DiJulio, Stuart Hunt, Alan Jarvimaki, and Scott Sunde.

+ GATHERING +

PRELUDE

When Peace Like a River arr. Rachel Trelstad Porter Chris Kindem, Flute Jon Lackey, piano

WELCOME

RECOGNITION OF VETERANS

Today we hold all Veterans and their families close in thought and prayer, as we pray for God's dream of Shalom for this world to become a reality. It is our tradition to recognize all Veterans who are connected to our congregation.

Al Bartol	Navy	1943-1946
Jack McBride	Navy	1952-1954
Gene Outlaw	Air Force	1952-1956
Bob Gaines	Marines	1955-1959
Jim Baker	Army National Guard	1960-1970
David Kehle	Air Force Reserve	1970-1976
Jon Lackey	Air Force	1979-1982
Jenn Ramirez-Robson	Air Force	1988-1990
Gered Bagocki	Marines	1998-2004

PRAYER

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray. Eternal Lord, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son Jesus. Today we lift up the lives of all veterans and their families. Preserve in health and safety all the service men and women of our nation and their families, and bless the ministry of chaplains who serve among our forces. As Jesus taught us to live, so may we live, day by day, that your dream of *Shalom* will be realized, and your will be done here on earth as in heaven. In the name of him who gave his life for all, Jesus Christ our Savior.
- C Amen.



Text: William Whiting. Music: John B. Dykes

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 Eternal Lord, you alone are the constant refuge of all the children of Earth. Hold all our years in the day of your grace, and grant us wisdom to serve you faithfully throughout our span of life. In the hour of death, O God, receive us into the light of your steadfast love, and satisfy us in the resurrection morning with life that never ends; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

+ WORD +

READING: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

John Flint

Though we do not know and cannot calculate the day of Christ's return, we live faithfully in the here and now as we anticipate the day when we the eternal salvation, safety, healing, promised through our Lord Jesus Christ will be fully manifested.

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. ²For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! ⁴But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; ⁵for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. ⁶So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; ⁷for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. ⁸But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. ⁹For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. ¹¹Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

- L Holy Wisdom. Holy Word.
- C Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Melanie Coulson

PSALM 90

Read responsively

¹Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to another.

²Before the mountains were brought forth,

or the land and the earth were born, from age to age you are God.

³You turn us back to the dust and say, "Turn back, O children of earth."

⁴For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past and like a watch in the night;

⁵you sweep them away like a dream, they fade away suddenly like the grass:

⁶in the morning it is green and flourishes; in the evening it is dried up and withered.

⁷For we are consumed by your anger; we are afraid because of your wrath.

⁸Our iniquities you have set before you, and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.

⁹When you are angry, all our days are gone; we bring our years to an end like a sigh.

¹⁰The span of our life is seventy years, perhaps in strength even eighty; yet the sum of them is but labor and sorrow,

for they pass away quickly and we are gone.

¹¹Who regards the power of your wrath?

Who rightly fears your indignation?

¹²So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

¹³ Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry?

Be gracious to your servants!

¹⁴ Satisfy us by your steadfast love in the morning; so shall we rejoice and be glad all our days.

¹⁵ Make us glad as many days as you have afflicted us and as many years as we suffered adversity.

¹⁶ Show your servants your works, and your splendor to their children.

¹⁷ May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork!

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 25th Chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:14-30

Jesus tells a parable about a master who leaves for a journey and entrusts three slaves with his wealth. When he returns, two have made more money for him from investment while the third has not. As in all the parables, readers must judge whether the master portrayed here is a stand in for the Divine, and ask where we locate Christ in the story.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] "For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; ¹⁵to one he gave five talents, to another two, to

another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. ¹⁷In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. ¹⁸But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. ¹⁹After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' ²¹His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' ²²And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' ²³His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' ²⁴Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; ²⁵so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' ²⁶But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? ²⁷Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. ²⁹For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. ³⁰As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' "

L The Gospel of the Lord.

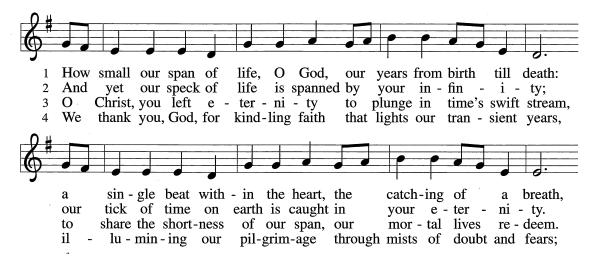
C Praise to you, O Christ.

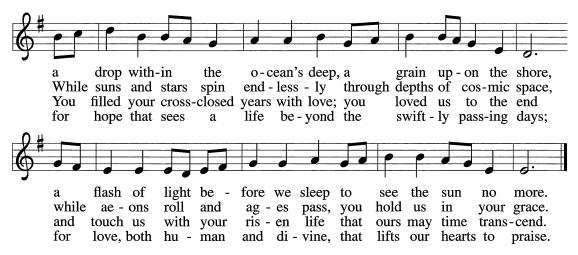
SERMON Rev. Erik Kindem

HYMN OF THE DAY

How Small Our Span of Life

ELW #636





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+ PRAYERS +

PRAYERS Paul Bliss

Petitions are offered that end with:

P Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

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.

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

PASS THE HAT

Lutheran Counseling Network

John Koch

OFFERING

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OFFERTORY



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OFFERTORY PRAYER

- P Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things.
- C Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions.

 Use us and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

- P The God of all creation, in whose image we are made, strengthen you for service, and give you reason to rejoice and be glad! The blessing of God, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always.
- C Amen.

+ SENDING +

SENDING HYMN



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- P Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE "Lord, Thou Hast Been a Refuge" Ralph Vaughan Williams Vaughan Williams wrote this double choir setting of Psalm 90 in 1921, weaving in verse one of Isaac Watts' paraphrase of the same psalm: O God Our Help in Ages Past.

Performed at the 90th Anniversary Concert of Choir of the West at Pacific Lutheran University in 2016, featuring alumni who sang under Maurice Skones from 1964-1983.



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ADVENT BEGINS ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29

Advent Begins next Sunday! And even though we are not able to be together for our cross-generational Advent Fest this year, we can still mark some of our Peace Advent traditions at home! The education team is assembling "Advent Kits" which include the essential Advent Log, and other favorites from our traditional Advent Fest celebration! You can sign up for a kit for your household by using this form:

<u>https://forms.gle/KwN21c7r4ZM54Ncc9</u> Please also indicate <u>how</u> you would like to receive your kit—we have both <u>delivery</u> and <u>pick-up</u> options.

Please reserve your Kit BEFORE next Sunday, November 22nd!

NO THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE AND PIE POTLUCK

Due to the pandemic, we will <u>not</u> be hosting a Thanksgiving Eve Service and pie potluck this year. However, you are invited to consider making a donation either to the Peace **AGAPE FUND** or to the **ELCA HUNGER APPEAL**. This can be done online or via mailing a check. Some families have a tradition of sharing a circle of gratitude at some point during the meal. However you mark this year's Thanksgiving, whomever is with you at your table, know that God is present, inviting us into rhythms of sharing, generosity, and compassion.

ADVENT 2, DECEMBER 6 RITE OF WELCOME

A *Journey of Faith* group is meeting now and will be received into our Peace Fellowship during a *Rite of Welcome* on December 6th. The group includes: Elizabeth Menstell and Tyler Coyle; Chelsea Globe & Bill Kallio, (Jack & Cora Kallio); Christopher and Lisa Simmons, (Austin & Kimberly); Pete and Katie Streit, (Andrew, August, and Axel); and Shannon Williams. Please accompany these folks with prayer as they take this step to become more formally connected to our congregation and its mission!

New member sponsors include: Dana Rice and Vicki Martinez, John and Kathleen Fueger, Derek and Laura Lunde, Magnus and Sonja Cole, and Helen Hundley

DECEMBER 13: A FIRST LOOK AT FUNDING OUR MISSION IN 2021

Early in December each year the council provides an opportunity to preview and comment on the coming year's budget, which is now under development now for 2021. This year, that opportunity is scheduled for <u>Sunday</u>, <u>December 13th</u> following Live Stream Worship. We will be utilizing ZOOM and YouTube to enable remote participation. Specific directions for how to connect will be shared closer to December 13 meeting date.

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. Let's 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.