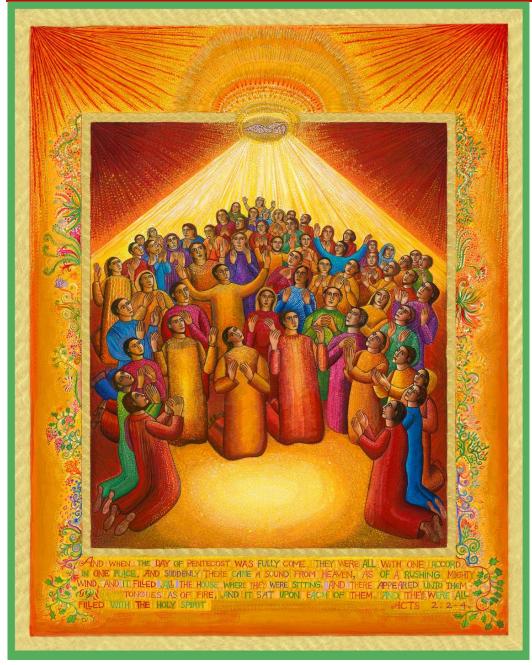
LIVESTREAM WORSHIP



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Pentecost ~ May 23, 2021

Peace Lutheran Church



West Seattle, Washington

We will celebrate Holy Communion today.

If you desire to participate from your home,
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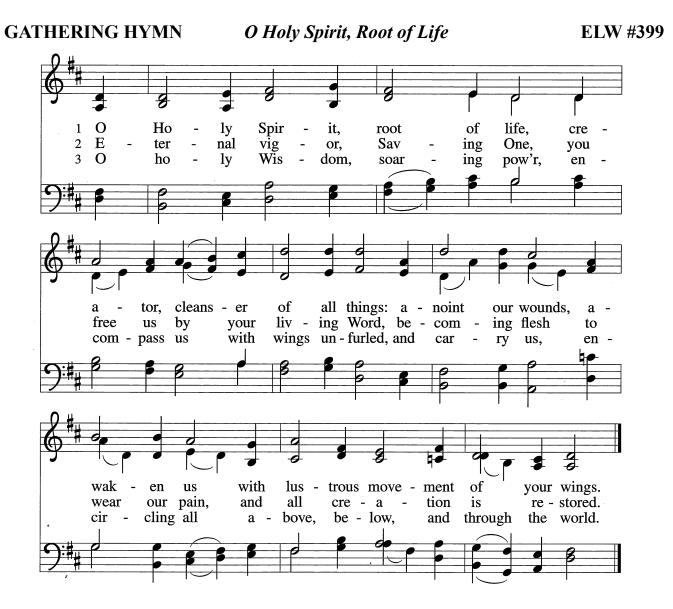
+ GATHERING +

PRELUDE Loving Spirit James Jelasic

CALL TO WORSHIP

Young people lead us in the call to worship, from the prophet Joel & Acts, chapter 2.

- L In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, And your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
 - and your young men shall see visions,
 - and your old men shall dream dreams.
 - Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.
 - And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below.
- C Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.



GREETING

- 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. Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send us this Spirit, transform us by your truth, and give us language to proclaim your gospel, 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 +

Just as dry bones are given new life, flesh, and breath/spirit, so God will give the exiles God's own spirit and will bring them home.

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 37:1-14

- L The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me,
- C "Mortal, can these bones live?"
- I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them:O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD.Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones:
- C I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."
- L So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me,
- C "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live."
- L I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD:
- C I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act," says the LORD.
- L Word of God. Word of Life. C Thanks be to God.

PSALMODY

When You Send Forth Your Spirit (Psalm 104)

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Congregation joins choir on refrain, singing it through twice each time.



CHILDREN'S TIME

Julie Ward

SECOND READING: Romans 8:22-27

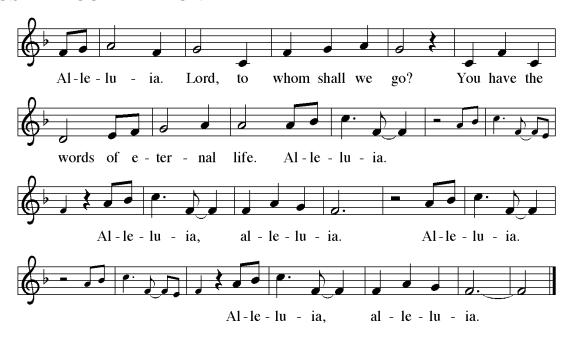
By pouring the Holy Spirit into our hearts, God gives us the promised first fruit of eternal life so that we await God's future in hope. In the meantime, the Spirit also intercedes for us by carrying our prayers to God.

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; ²³and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 15th Chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

When speaking to his disciples before his death, Jesus referred to the Holy Spirit as "the Helper" and described the difference the Spirit would make in their lives and in the world.

[Jesus said,] ²⁶"When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. ²⁷You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

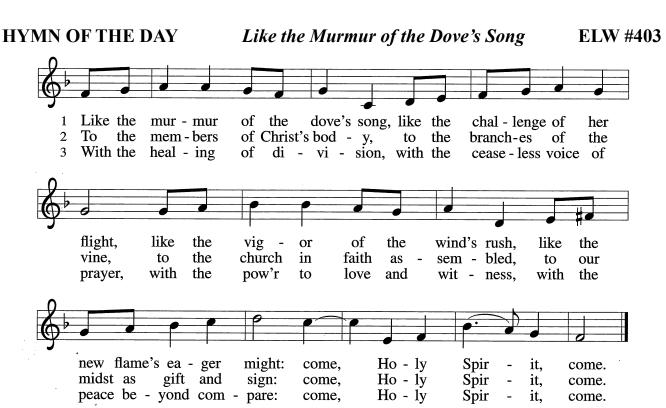
^{16:4b}"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. ⁷Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸And when

he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹about sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; ¹¹about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

¹²"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

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

MESSAGE Pastor Erik Kindem



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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- A Alive in the risen Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, we bring our prayers before God who promises to hear us and answer in steadfast love.
 - Petitions are offered that end with:
 - A Holy Spirit,
 - C hear our prayer.

When all petitions have been offered:

- A In the hope of new life in Christ, we raise our prayers to you, trusting in your neverending goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

+ MEAL +

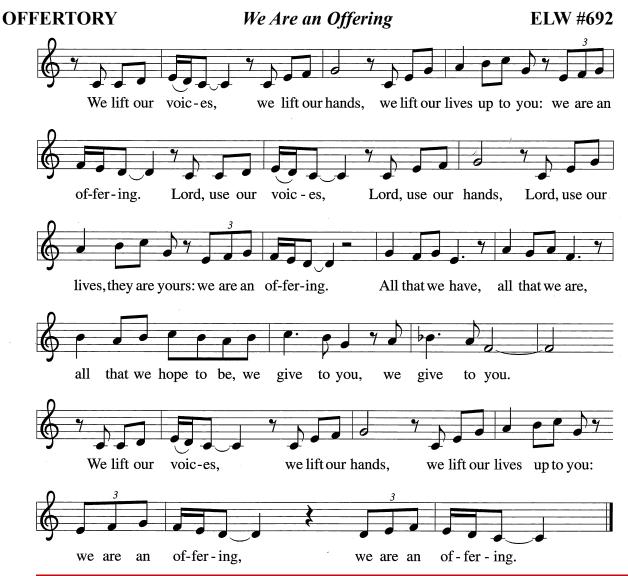
THE PEACE

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

Time to share a greeting of peace with those who are with you physically, and a virtual greeting with those who are part of your circle of concern. Today our peace sharing includes virtual greetings from a variety of Peace families.

OFFERING

Your monetary gifts support the ongoing ministry of our congregation and ELCA ministries around the world. You can give an offering today by connecting to our secure <u>Tithely Giving Page</u>. Whatever size, your gift makes difference—thank you for your support!



Gather all who will be participating in the Holy Communion Meal, along with the bread and wine/grape juice you've set aside.
Place them in front of you, and choose someone who will lift up the elements at the appropriate time, following Pastor Kindem's leadership.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

- P God of love,
- C you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer. Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ. 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, generous and compassionate God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit, uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.

 And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
- C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r 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!

- P Holy God, Breath of life and Fire of love: With a mighty wind you brought creation into being, And by a pillar of fire you led your people into freedom.
- C We praise you for the gift of your Son, who poured out your Spirit on his disciples of very race and nation.
- P On the night he was handed over to death, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; (*lift the bread*) 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, (*lift 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 for forgiveness and healing. Do this for the remembrance of me.
- P Remembering his death, resurrection, and ascension, and the sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit, we await his coming again to renew the face of the earth.
- C Come, Lord Jesus!

- P Send now your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this meal: Anoint us with your gifts of faith, hope, and love, that with thankful hearts we may be witnesses to your Son.
- C Come, Holy Spirit!
- P All glory and honor is yours, Almighty and Altender God, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (ecumenical)

- P In Jesus we are bold 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.

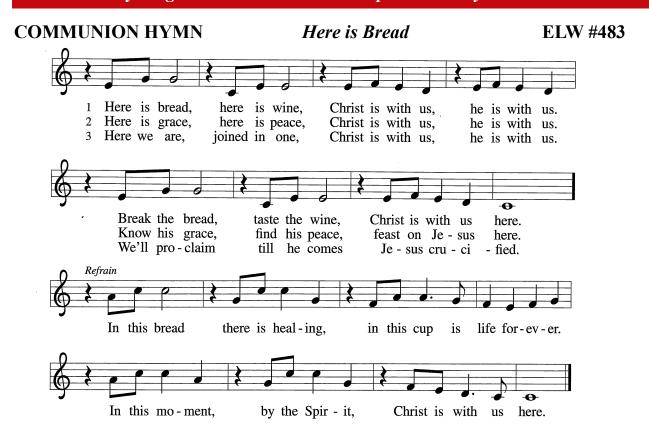
 Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- P The risen Christ invites us to this table. Come, eat and be satisfied.
- 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.



+ SENDING +

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

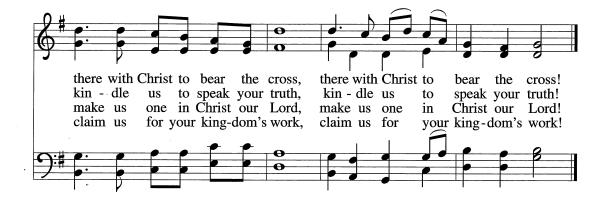
- P Let us pray. Life-giving God, you have fed us with this meal and anointed us with your Spirit. Now send us forth to be what we have shared: the body of Christ for the world.
- C Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

- P The Triune God, Creator, Redeemer, + and Spirit, raise you to newness of life, now and forever.
- C Amen.





- P Go in peace, filled with the Spirit.
- C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE Spirit of Gentleness Jon Lackey

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PEACE SCHOLARSHIP SUNDAY – May 30

Phoebe Sunde, who will graduate from West Seattle High School on June 12, will be presented the Peace Scholarship on May 30th. Be sure to tune in for the presentation!

Rev. Terry Teigen will be our guest preacher next Sunday. Pastor Kindem will be preside at the service after returning from his father's memorial service in Minnesota.

SEASON OF CREATION IN JUNE

Our Season of Creation celebration runs from Sunday, June 6 through Sunday, June 20.

<u>The River That Made Seattle</u>, BJ Cummings' very new book is available for your reading in preparation for our June <u>Season of Creation</u>. It is a fascinating story of the early days of Seattle, its indigenous people and relationships with newcomers from the east -- and how the Duwamish River gave life to us all. We expect to have a conversation with Ms. Cummings, and with Duwamish Tribal member James Rasmussen, as part of our "Season"—as well as input from the local Duwamish community. In addition, guest preacher Rev. John Rosenberg will be with us talking about WATERSHEDS from a geological/theological point of view.

ECOTOUR OPPORTUNITY: SEE THE DUWAMISH RIVER SHORELINE

On Saturday, June 12, beginning at 1 pm, folks from Peace are invited to a walking tour along the west side of the Duwamish River. The tour will start at the Duwamish Longhouse, and our guide will be Andrew, who is a restoration ecologist. In addition to directing our attention to changes in the shoreline, Andrew will discuss the cultural and political history of our area and its effects on the Duwamish people. The tour is appropriate for school-age children as well as the rest of us! More details and information about how to sign up will come in the June edition of *Peace Notes*.

COVID SURGE IN INDIA

Over the past two months, a surge of COVID-19 cases has spread across India. On April 30, India reported over 400,000 new COVID-19 cases, the highest daily count in any country during the pandemic. Thousands of deaths are documented each day, yet the actual number is suspected to be much higher.

For the past year, <u>Lutheran Disaster Response</u> has supported companion churches and partners throughout India and around the world as they raise awareness about COVID-19, provide personal protective equipment and distribute sanitation supplies to vulnerable communities. Padhar Hospital, a ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Madhya Pradesh, has a ward dedicated to COVID-19 patients. <u>Lutheran Disaster Response</u> is helping Padhar Hospital purchase an oxygen generator for its COVID-19 ward so it can treat more patients and not have to turn away people suffering with COVID-19. Please consider a gift today. Your gifts ensure that our church will be able to provide help and hope for those impacted by the COVID-19 crisis in India.

Gifts designated for "Asia-Pacific Disaster Response" will be used entirely (100%) for direct response to COVID-19 in India and to other disasters in the region.

CHRISTIAN ED/FAITH FORMATION

Our Christian Education/Faith Formation program ends today Sunday, May 23rd. It will resume again on Sunday, September 19th.

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 invite all people to join us as we work to better understand the meaning of grace for our lives. We welcome people of all sexual orientations and gender identities into the life and mission of our congregation.

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