

Peace Lutheran Church



West Seattle, Washington

Welcome to worship. We're glad you've found your way to Peace! Your presence enriches our community.

Though we sometimes doubt and often resist God's desire to protect and save us, our God persists. In holy baptism, God's people have been called and gathered into a God-initiated relationship that will endure. Lent provides the church with a time and a tradition in which to seek God's face again. Lent provides another occasion to behold the God of our salvation in the face of the Blessed One who "comes in the name of the Lord."



Our Pass the Hat Partner for March is the West Seattle Food Bank. It is the Food Bank's priority to keep the community healthy while continuing to ensure all their neighbors have access to food, emergency financial assistance, diapers, and other basic needs.

To join our Live Stream @ 10:30am, follow this LINK.

+ GATHERING +

PRELUDE

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

John Stainer

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *At the font.*

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the service begins.

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who joins us in our wilderness and leads us to our true home.
- C Amen.

Silence is kept for reflection

- P God at the margins,
- C We have wandered far from you; again and again we lose our way.
 Forgetting your promise of safety and wholeness, we grasp in vain for things that will satisfy our desires. Turning inward, we lose track of whose we are, and become captive to the fears that we flee. Have mercy on us!
 Forgive us, Lord, and turn our hearts toward you.
- P Beloved ones, God hears our longing.

 Like a mother hen, God gathers us under her wings of love, embracing us with tender care.

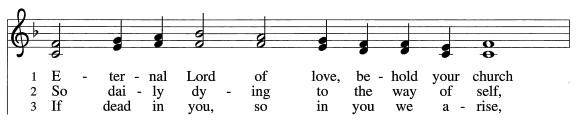
 Like a loving father, God runs to meet us and welcome us home. In + Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven.

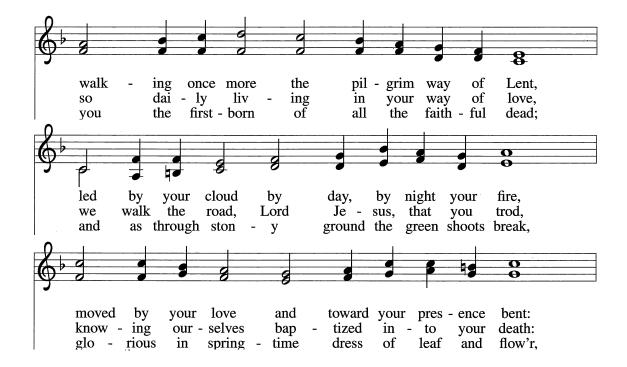
 Journey now in the way of Christ.
- C We journey with him as our guide. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Eternal Lord of Love

ELW #321

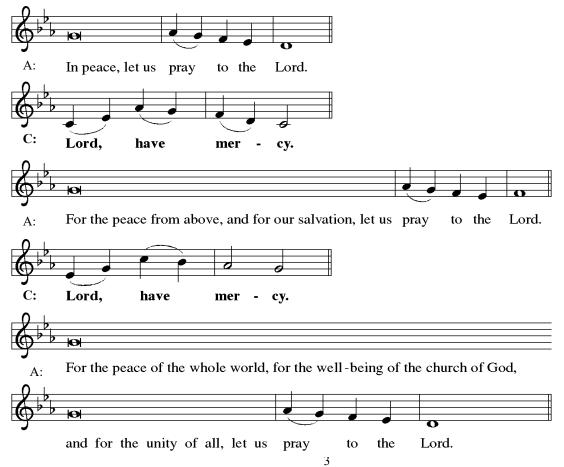




GREETING

- The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- And also with you. \mathbf{C}







PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray. God of the covenant, in the mystery of the cross you promise everlasting life to the world. Gather all peoples into your arms, and shelter us with your mercy, that we may rejoice in the life we share in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

FIRST READING: GENESIS 15:1-12, 17-18

Scott Sunde

God promises a childless and doubting Abram that he will have a son, that his descendants will be as numerous as the stars, and that the land will be their inheritance. Abram's trust in God's promise is sealed with a covenant-making ritual, a sign of God's promise.

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." ²But Abram said, "O LORD God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" ³And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." ⁴But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." ⁵He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him,

"So shall your descendants be." ⁶And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

⁷Then he said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." ⁸But he said, "O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" ⁹He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." ¹⁰He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. ¹¹And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away. ¹²As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

¹⁷When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. ¹⁸On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."

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

PSALM 27 (read responsively)

¹The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life;

of whom shall I be afraid?

²When evildoers close in against me to devour my flesh,

they, my foes and my enemies, will stumble and fall.

³Though an army encamp against me, my heart will not fear.

Though war rise up against me, my trust will not be shaken.

⁴One thing I ask of the LORD; one thing I seek;

that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life; to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek God in the temple.

⁵For in the day of trouble God will give me shelter,

hide me in the hidden places of the sanctuary,

and raise me high upon a rock.

⁶Even now my head is lifted up above my enemies who surround me.

Therefore I will offer sacrifice in the sanctuary, sacrifices of rejoicing; I will sing and make music to the LORD.

⁷Hear my voice, O LORD, when I call;

have mercy on me and answer me.

⁸My heart speaks your message - "Seek my face."

Your face, O LORD, I will seek.

⁹Hide not your face from me, turn not away from your servant in anger.

Cast me not away - you have been my helper;

forsake me not, O God of my salvation.

¹⁰Though my father and my mother forsake me,

the LORD will take me in.

¹¹Teach me your way, O LORD;

lead me on a level path, because of my oppressors.

¹²Subject me not to the will of my foes, for they rise up against me, false witnesses breathing violence.

¹³This I believe—that I will see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living!

¹⁴Wait for the LORD and be strong.

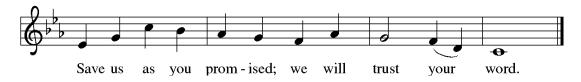
Take heart and wait for the LORD!

CHILDREN'S TIME

Erik Kindem

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Please rise in body or spirit to receive the gospel





- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 13th Chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: Luke 13:31-35

Neither Herod's plotting nor Jerusalem's resistance to maternal love will deter Jesus from his sacrificial mission.

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus,] "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." ³²He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. ³³Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' ³⁴Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! ³⁵See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.' "

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

SERMON Pastor Erik Kindem

HYMN OF THE DAY

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

ELW #325



+ PRAYERS +

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Paul Bliss

A Drawn close to the heart of God, we offer these prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need..

Petitions are offered that end with:

A Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

When all petitions have been offered:

A Accept the prayers we bring, O God, on behalf of a world in need, for the sake of Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray...

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

West Seattle Food Bank

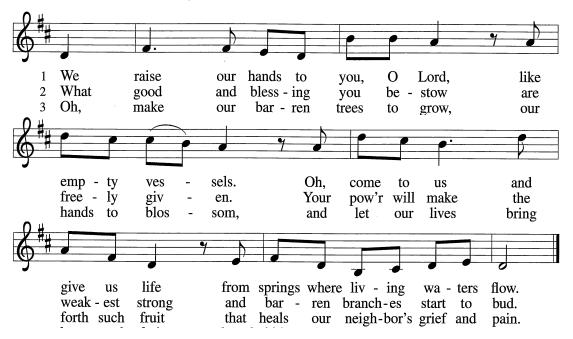
OFFERING

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

OFFERTORY VERSE

We Raise Our Hands to You, O Lord

ELW #690



OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A Let us pray. Faithful God,
- C you walk beside us in desert places, and you meet us in our hunger with bread of fellowship. Accompany us on this journey, that we may pass over from death to life with Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

- P You are children of God, anointed with the oil of gladness and strengthened for the journey. Almighty and Altender God, motherly, majestic, and mighty, + bless you this day and always.
- C Amen.

+ SENDING +

SENDING HYMN



A Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.

C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE Sarabande G. F. Handel

+ + +

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ANNOUNCEMENTS 3/13/22

<u>DURING THE SEASON OF LENT</u> our Wednesday evening services will focus on <u>five</u> <u>divine attributes</u> drawn from the gospel texts for Lent: faithfulness, mercy, compassion, forgiveness, and love. These services will take place on ZOOM. Look for a Zoom invite in your email inbox each Wednesday. These brief services will be followed by an opportunity for fellowship for those who desire it.

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.

PRAYER LIST

Please continue to remember the sick and home-bound of our congregation and others who have sought our prayers: Sick/Recovering: Jim Baker; Catherine Bell; Connie Benjamin; John Berrell; Joyce Berrell; Cindy Collie; Gavriella DeBoer; Keili Geller; Nathaniel Gibson; Dawn Gringorten; Donna Heiland; Tim Herriford; Mackenzie Hull; Gary Humphries; Vickie Jarvimaki; Jeffry; Ken Keyes; Karen Kunze; Mike Larson; Dee Levy; Maya Marshall; Bill Marts; Jim Meyer; Lynn McCracken; Kris McCracken; Chloe McDonough; Eric, Erin, Finley McDonough; Alan Mills; Bill Morrell; Bill Nandor; JoAnn Nandor; John & Renee Parker; Michelle Pierce; Cal Seibel; Mitch Shepard; Bob & Rosemary Smalding; Aaden Smith; Leon Smith; JoAnne Spangler; Sean Stephens; Kim Sundbloom; Sarah Taylor; Tom Vane; Karin VanSant; Louisa Wagner; Megan Webber; Nanette Wichman; Inge Williams; Joyce Wolff; Inta Zagars

Homebound: Lee Lamson; Dorothy Linnell

Special concern: The family of <u>Steadman Mathis</u>, tennis coach at Chief Sealth International High School, who died in a house fire last Sunday, leaving behind two middle school aged sons.

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