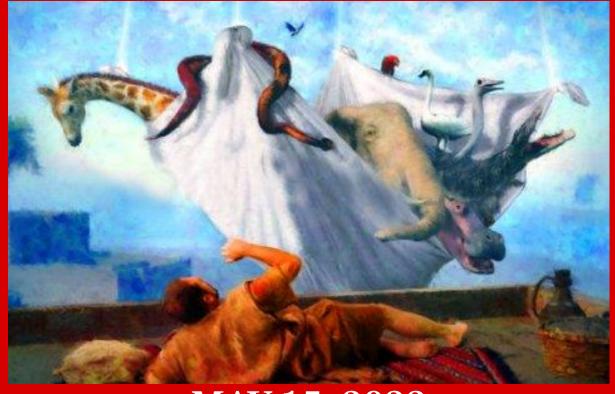
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



MAY 15, 2022

Peace Lutheran Church



West Seattle, Washington

Easter initiates a new day. It anticipates a new heaven and a new earth.

The risen Christ is making all things new. In the mystery of holy baptism God has made new people of us.

Today Jesus invites us, as he invited Peter and the other apostles, to see everyone in a new light—

through the lens of love, expanding God's circle of welcome.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM & RITE OF WELCOME

We welcome Jann Skotdal into the Body of Christ this day through the Sacrament of Baptism, and we welcome the following people via affirmation of faith and *Rite of Welcome*: Jann's spouse, Kjersti Egerdahl and their children Bjorn and Torsten; Deena Fuller, and Larry and Janet Cruse.

+ GATHERING +

PRELUDE Largo Antonio Vivaldi

WELCOME

- P Christ is risen!
- C Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

RITE OF WELCOME: PRESENTATION

New members and their sponsors gather at the door of nave.

P Dear Friends, we are gathered at this door today to meet these persons who have been called by God's Spirit to affirm their baptism and to join our fellowship.

Together, let us welcome them to this community of faith in Jesus Christ.

Sponsors, who do you present for welcome?

Sponsors introduce the persons to be received.

S I/We present (<u>name</u>) to be welcomed by this congregation.

After all have been introduced, the Pastor addresses the new members:

- P Friends, what do you ask of God's church?
- R/ To be strengthened in faith and prepared for service in God's world.

The Pastor addresses the congregation:

- P People of God, as these sisters and brothers join us on our journey of faith, will you support them through your prayer, presence, and example?

 As they enter our fellowship will you be for them a community of love and growth in God's grace?
- C We will, and we ask God to help us.
- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Merciful God, we thank you for these your servants. You have summoned by your Spirit to be part of this fellowship and they have answered you in our presence. We praise you, O God, and we bless you.
- C We praise you, O God, and we bless you.

The Pastor addresses the new members.

P Now friends, come and hear the word of God with us.

GATHERING HYMN

Love Has Brought Us Here Together **ACS #1040** geth - er; love of fam - 'ly, 1 Love has brought us here to tle, pa - tient, soft in words and 2 Love is gen love is re - joice - vil; love re joic - es 3 Love does not at love, God's till death should part us; of friends; love, our vow love in deeds. Love is strong and nev - er the right. Keen in giv - ing and for pom - pous; puts love for - giv - ing, spread-ing gift, that nev - er ends. From our birth, through-out our life - time, oth - er's needs. Not quick-tem - pered or re - sent - ful, first the love's de-light. When two peo - ple pledge their u - nion, love is our Floods of love's in - sis - tence calls name. wa ters love cels in take of - fense or brood, ex prone to love's feast ing at wit - ness are re newed,

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

This is the Feast of Victory for Our God! **HYMN OF PRAISE**



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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray. O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through 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.

+ WORD +

FIRST READING: Acts 11:1-18

Scott Sunde

In defense of his earlier baptism of Gentile believers, Peter demonstrates to the members of the Jerusalem church that God's intention to save non-Jews as well as Jews is revealed in Jesus' own testimony. In this way the mission to the Gentiles is officially authorized.

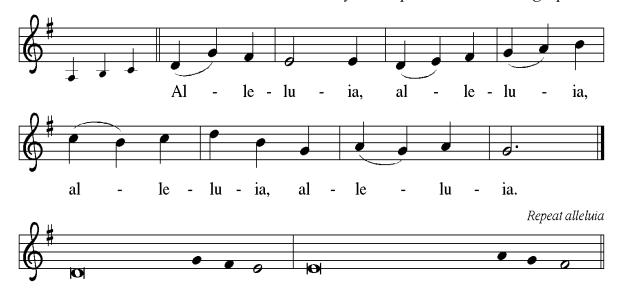
Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. ²So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, ³saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" ⁴Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, ⁵"I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. ⁶As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. ⁷I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' ⁸But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' ⁹But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' ¹⁰This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven.

¹¹"At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. ¹²The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. ¹³He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; ¹⁴he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' ¹⁵And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. ¹⁶And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' ¹⁷If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?"

¹⁸When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

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

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



- P Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life.
- P The Holy Gospel according to John, the 13th chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: John 13:31-35

After washing the disciples' feet, predicting his betrayal, and then revealing his betrayer, Jesus speaks of his glorification on the cross. This deep complicated love of Jesus, even to death on the cross, will be the distinctive mark of Jesus' community.

When [Judas] had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Erik

SERMON

Pastor Erik Kindem

HYMN OF THE DAY



ACS #1046



+ SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM & RITE OF WELCOME +

Jann Skotdal, family members, and sponsor Paul Bliss come forward to the font.

P God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

PRESENTATION

- P Paul, who do you present for baptism?
- S I present <u>Jann Skotdal</u> for baptism.
- P Jann, called by the Holy Spirit and trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to be baptized into Christ?
- R/I do.

Pastor Kindem addresses the sponsor.

P Paul, do you promise to encourage Jann on this journey in Christ as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and with this community to support his life in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

R/I do.

Pastor Kindem addresses the baptismal candidate & the group of those joining Peace congregation:

- P Jann, as you receive the gift of baptism, and friends, as you affirm your baptism today, you are entrusted with gifts and responsibilities:
 - to live among God's faithful people,
 - to hear the word of God and share in the holy supper,
 - to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,
 - to serve all people, following the example of Jesus,
 - and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth.

Do you promise to embrace these gifts and responsibilities?

R/ I do. And I ask God to help and guide me.

Pastor Kindem addresses the assembly:

- P People of God, do you promise to support Jann and pray for him in his new life in Christ, and to welcome these new members as siblings in Christ?
- C We do.

RENUNCIATION OF EVIL AND PROFESSION OF FAITHPlease rise as able Pastor Kindem addresses the candidate, new members, and the whole congregation:

In baptism God's NO becomes our NO; and God's YES becomes our YES. As we baptize today, and affirm our own baptisms, I ask you to profess your faith in Christ, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

- P Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw you from God? If so, answer "I renounce them."
- C I renounce them.
- P Do you believe in God the Father?
- C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
- P Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
- C I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord. who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

- P Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
- C I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Water bearers pour water into the font during the thanksgiving.

P Blessed are you, O God, maker and ruler of all things. Your voice thundered over the waters of creation. You water the mountains and send springs into the valleys to refresh and satisfy all living things.

You poured out your Spirit on your people Israel, breathing life into dry bones.

Your Son, Jesus, promised to send the Spirit to us that the world may know your peace and truth.

Breathe your breath also into this water and into him who is here baptized. Adopt us all as your children,

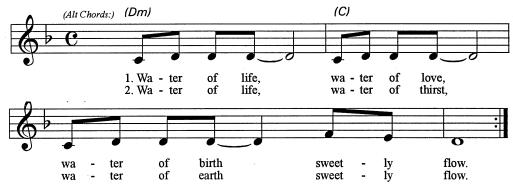
that we may embody your Spirit in the world;

for we call on the name of your Son, Jesus Christ,

who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

WASHING The assembly sings the chant as Jann is baptized.



<u>Jann Erik Skotdal</u>, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

LAYING ON OF HANDS AND ANOINTING

Pastor, family members, and sponsor lay hands on Jann as a sign of blessing. Others in the assembly are invited to extend their hands toward him while remaining seated.

P Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your sons and daughters new birth, wash them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain *Jann* with the gift of your Holy Spirit:

the spirit of wisdom and understanding,

the spirit of counsel and might,

the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord,

the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

C Amen.

Jann is anointed with oil and the sign of the cross is traced on his forehead.

- P <u>Jann</u>, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.
- C Amen.

PRESENTATION OF A CANDLE

The assisting minister presents a lighted candle to the newly baptized.

A Jesus said, I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will have the light of life.

Jann faces the community and is acknowledged with acclamation.

RITE OF WELCOME: SIGNING

New members and their sponsors come forward to the front of the nave.

P Friends, you have heard the holy and saving gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ and have confessed the faith of the church in which you have been baptized. Now receive the sign of that gospel on your body and in your heart, that you may know the Lord and the power of his resurrection.

After each signing, the congregation responds: Praise to you, O Christ.

- P Receive the + cross on your forehead, a sign of God's endless love and mercy for you.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.
- P Receive the + cross on your <u>ears</u>, that you may hear the gospel of Christ, the word of life.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.
- P Receive the + cross on your <u>eyes</u>, that you may see the light of Christ, illumination for your way.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.
- P Receive the + cross on your <u>lips</u>, that you may sing the praise of Christ, the joy of the church.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

- P Receive the + cross on your heart, that God may dwell there by faith.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.
- P Receive the + cross on your shoulders, that you may bear the gentle yoke of Christ.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.
- P Receive the + cross on your <u>hands</u>, that God's mercy may be known in your work.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.
- P Receive the + cross on your <u>feet</u>, that you may walk in the way of Christ.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.
- P Let us welcome these siblings to the life and mission we share in Jesus Christ.
- C We welcome you to this fellowship and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God, and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.

All are received with acclamation. The service continues with the Prayers.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Heidi Eilers

- A Set free from captivity to sin and death, we pray to the God of resurrection for the church, people in need, and all of creation. *Petitions are offered that end with*:
 - A Hear us, O God. C Your mercy is great.

When all petitions have been offered:

- A In your mercy, O God, respond to these prayers, and renew us by your life-giving Spirit; Jesus Christ, our Savior, who taught 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.

THE PEACE

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A Let us pray. God of abundance,
- C by raising your Son you showed us that your love has no limit.

 Accept the gifts you have first given us, and unite them with the offering of our lives that out of abundance the world might be nourished and fed; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

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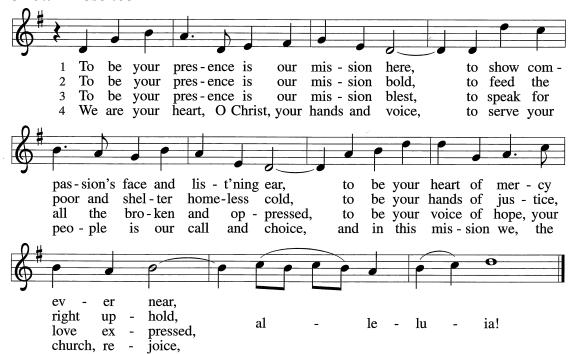
BLESSING

- P God, the Author of life, Christ, the living Cornerstone, and the life-giving Spirit of adoption, + bless you now and forever.
- C Amen.

SENDING HYMN

To Be Your Presence

ELW #546



A Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Trumpet Largo

Henry Heron



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Joey DiJulio, Sophia Wagner

ANNOUNCEMENTS 5/15/22

WE WELCOME INTO OUR FELLOWSHIP TODAY: Jann Skotdal, Kjersti Egerdahl, and their sons Bjorn and Torsten; Deena Fuller; and Larry and Janet Cruse. New member sponsors serving to help our new folk connect more deeply with Peace community include: The Bliss Family, Carrol Anderson, Marian Christjaener and David Wold.

<u>PATIO PARTY May 22, 9:45-10:30am</u> On the final Sunday School Sunday of the program year for Littles and Middles, come out to greet your Sunday school teachers and see your classmates face to face. There will be crafts, sidewalk chalk, and time to play together.

<u>CONFIRMATION BBQ MAY 26</u> May 26 Parents and Confirmands celebrate the end of a great first year. Location TBA.

<u>LITTLE FREE PANTRY</u> Please consider donating to the LFP. I have noticed lately that it has been rather empty, more Mother Hubbard and less Abundant Feast. Food items that seem to go well: canned/packaged meat, granola/protein bars, cereal, fruit snacks, crackers, hearty soups, canned pasta (not dry). One option to consider is to add a case of food the next time you go to Costco. I can keep it inside and replenish the pantry with your item every week.

<u>LUTHERWOOD Join Peace at Lutherwood for Family Camp July 3-5 or 3-8.</u> There are options for half week and full week. All ages - bring the littles and bring the grands. At family camp young adults swim out to the floating dock while toddlers play in the sand next to the lake, parents relax with a book or enjoy a walk in the woods while their kids play endless games of gaga ball, parents and kids chase each other in all camp games, and everyone enjoys a peaceful end of the day around the campfire.

THIS WEEK'S ACT FOR CREATION

Friday, 5/20, is Bike Everywhere Day. Transportation is the largest source of climate change-causing pollution in the Puget Sound region. Could you bike more and drive less? Could you help make your street more bike friendly?

Pray for Creation: We pray that we love deeply and carefully Earth and all of God's creation.

NEW DIRECTORIES AVAILABLE

Updated directories are available for pick up in the Narthex. There is one for each family; they are labeled and laid out in alphabetical order.

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: Nancy Archer; Jim Baker; Catherine Bell; Connie Benjamin; John Berrell; Joyce Berrell; Cindy Collie; Gavriella DeBoer; Keili Geller; Nathaniel Gibson; Dawn Gringorten; Tim Herriford; Mackenzie Hull; Gary Humphries; Vickie Jarvimaki; Jeffry; Kevin Kay; Ken Keyes; Kristofer Kindem; Lars & Stephanie Kindem; Kennedy Kindem; Karen Kunze; Mike Larson; Dee Levy; Maya Marshall; Bill Marts; Lynn McCracken; Kris McCracken; Chloe McDonough; Eric, Erin, Finley McDonough; Jim Meyer; Alan Mills; Bill Morrell; Bill Nandor; JoAnn Nandor; Larry Nelson; Lianne Onishi; John & Renee Parker; Michelle Pierce; Gail Price; Seattle Lutheran High School administration, faculty, staff, and students; Mitch Shepard; Bob & Rosemary Smalding; Aaden Smith; Leon Smith; JoAnne Spangler; Sean Stephens; Sarah Taylor; Matthew Toso; Tom Vane; Karin VanSant; Louisa Wagner; Nanette Wichman; Inge Williams; Joyce Wolff; Inta Zagars

<u>Homebound</u>: Lee Lamson; Dorothy Linnell; Jeanne Martinez

We express our Christian sympathy to Liz Hernandez and the Price family on the death of her stepfather, Wym Price on 5/6/22.

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