

SEASON of CREATION  
~ WEEK THREE ~



+ ROOTED +  
June 26, 2022

*Peace Lutheran Church*



*West Seattle, Washington*

**WELCOME!** The theme for this year's **Season of Creation** is inspired by Lyanda Lynn Haupt's latest book: **Rooted: Life at the Crossroads of Science, Nature, and Spirit.** Lyanda, an urban naturalist, neighbor, and friend of Peace, invites us on a journey of rediscovering a core truth which sacred scriptures, mystics, artists, and indigenous communities across the globe have proclaimed for millennia: that all life is radically interconnected.

**ON THIS FINAL SUNDAY** our readings offer sacramental images connected to the vineyard and to the "Cosmic Christ," in whom all things have their purpose and hold together. Excerpts from ***Rooted*** help us to see clearly the connections which have been woven into all creation and our call to be Earth-tenders of this planet home God so loves.

# + GATHERING +

ELW = *Evangelical Lutheran Worship Hymnal* ACS = *All Creation Sings Hymnal*

**PRELUDE**

*Touch the Earth Lightly*

Solo Violin, Jim Hunt

**WELCOME**

*The Singing Bowl calls us to worship*

**CALL TO WORSHIP: ADSUM – I AM HERE**

*The Latin term “adsum” (pronounced: odd-soom), means “to be present, be near, be in attendance.” Within this liturgy, it is akin to the Hebrew declaration, “hineni”—‘Here am I,’ a phrase from the Scriptures spoken in response to a call from the Divine. Both mean: You have my full attention; I am present and ready to respond to whatever it is you ask of me.*

**P** In the name of the Creator, the fountain of life,  
in the name of Christ, the pulse of life,  
and in the name of the Spirit + the breath of life.

**C** **Amen.**

**A** Holy God, in whom everything on Earth and in the heavens is bound in perfect harmony,  
open our eyes to behold your creation.

**C** **Adsum!**

**P** Incarnate Christ, whose life, death, and resurrection offers renewed life to the world,  
root in us a commitment equal to the challenges and joys these days bring.

**C** **Adsum!**

**A** Creative Spirit, whose breath stirred life in the womb of this world,  
quicken us, body, mind, and soul, for the great work to which you are calling us.

**C** **Adsum!**

**P** In all things, at all times, grant that we may walk in sacred manner upon the Earth,  
ever conscious of our calling, ever mindful of your purpose as our Source,  
Sustainer, and Goal.

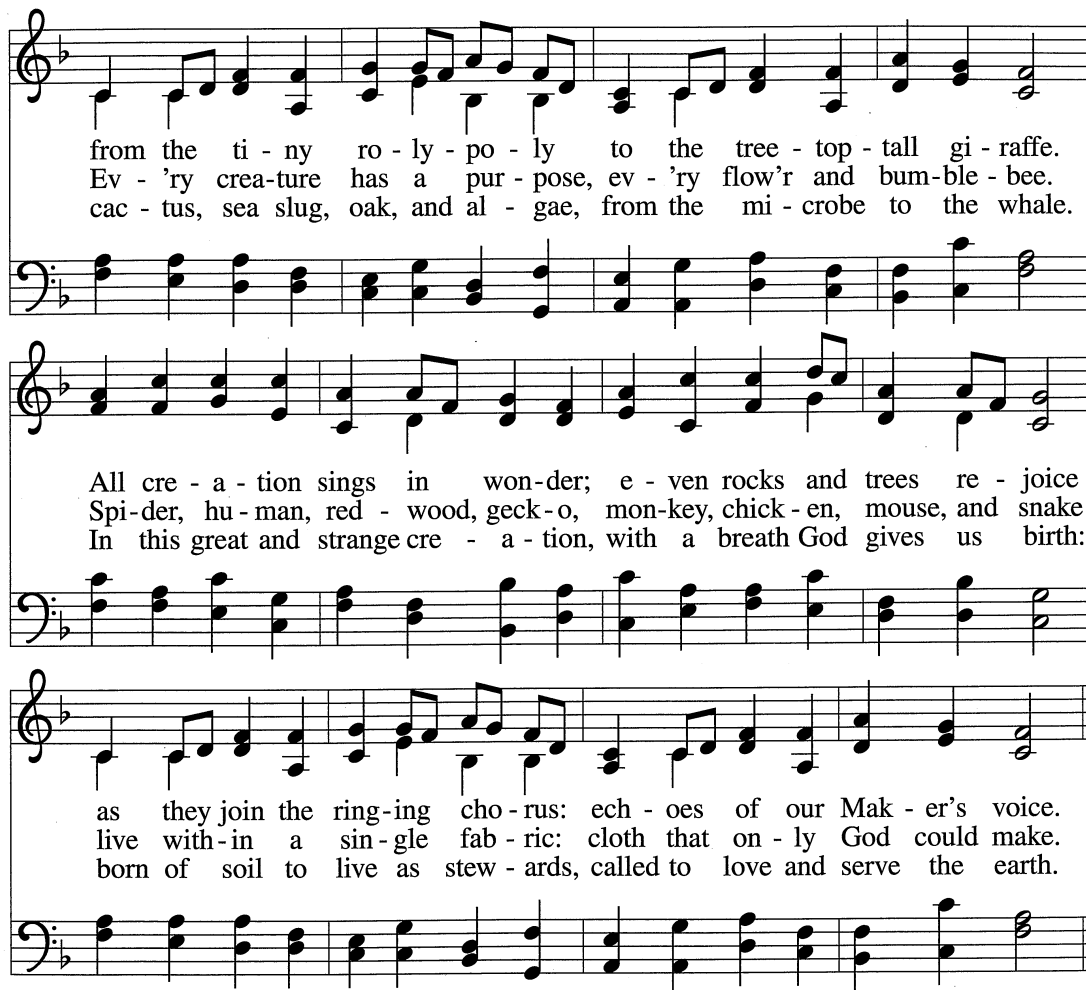
**C** **Adsum!**

**GATHERING HYMN**

*Earth is Full of Wit and Wisdom*

**ACS #1064**

1 Earth is full of wit and wis - dom, sound - ing God's de - light - ed laugh,  
2 Earth is full of wit and wis - dom, wo - ven in - to har - mo - ny.  
3 Earth is full of wit and wis - dom: pen - guin, pla - ty - pus, and snail,



from the ti - ny ro - ly - po - ly to the tree - top - tall gi - raffe.  
Ev - 'ry crea - ture has a pur - pose, ev - 'ry flow'r and bum - ble - bee.  
cac - tus, sea slug, oak, and al - gae, from the mi - crobe to the whale.

All cre - a - tion sings in won - der; e - ven rocks and trees re - joice  
Spi - der, hu - man, red - wood, geck - o, mon - key, chick - en, mouse, and snake  
In this great and strange cre - a - tion, with a breath God gives us birth:

as they join the ring - ing cho - rus: ech - oes of our Mak - er's voice.  
live with - in a sin - gle fab - ric: cloth that on - ly God could make.  
born of soil to live as stew - ards, called to love and serve the earth.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Creator be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Triune God, whose breath animates all living things, and whose incarnation offers safety, healing and wholeness to our planet home; grant that, through abiding in Christ the Vine, we may become more deeply rooted as Earth-tenders, and so fulfill the vocation you gave us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

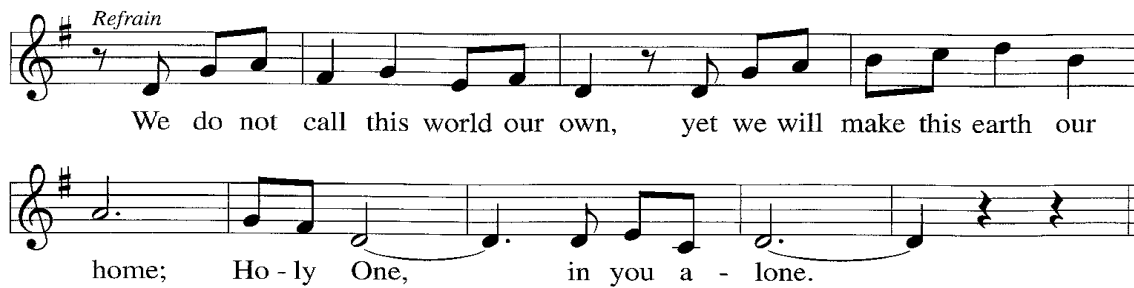
## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *Using language from Laudato 'Si*

P In his beautiful canticle, Saint Francis of Assisi reminds us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us. This sister now cries out to us because of the harm we have inflicted on her by our irresponsible use and abuse of the goods with which God has endowed her.

C **We have come to see ourselves as her lords and masters, entitled to plunder her at will. The violence present in our hearts, wounded by sin, is reflected in the symptoms of sickness evident in the soil, in the water, in the air, and in all forms of life.**

P The Earth herself, burdened and laid waste, is among the most abandoned and maltreated of our poor; she “groans in travail.”





## + WORD +

### FIRST READING: Colossians 1:15-20

*The Inclusive Bible translation*

*This cosmic hymn speaks of the role of Christ from creation to incarnation to consummation.*

*The Mystery revealed in Christ is the template, model, and goal for all of creation.*

- <sup>15</sup>Christ is the image of the unseen God and the firstborn of all creation,  
<sup>16</sup>for in Christ were created all things in heaven and on earth:  
 everything visible and invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers—  
 all things were created through Christ and for Christ.
- <sup>17</sup>Before anything was created, Christ existed, and all things hold together in Christ.  
<sup>18</sup>The church is the body; Christ is its head.  
 Christ is the Beginning, and the firstborn from the dead,  
 and so Christ is first in every way.
- <sup>19</sup>God wanted all perfection to be found in Christ,  
<sup>20</sup>and all things to be reconciled to God through Christ—  
 everything in heaven and everything on earth—  
 when Christ made peace by dying on the cross.

L Holy wisdom. Holy word.

C **Thanks be to God.**


### PSALM 104:24-30

*Read responsively*

Scott Sunde

- <sup>24</sup>O LORD, how manifold are your works!  
 In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- <sup>25</sup>**Yonder is the sea, great and wide, creeping things innumerable are there,  
 living things both small and great.**
- <sup>26</sup>There go the ships, and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it.
- <sup>27</sup>**These all look to you to give them their food in due season;**  
<sup>28</sup>when you give to them, they gather it up;  
 when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.
- <sup>29</sup>**When you hide your face, they are dismayed;  
 when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.**
- <sup>30</sup>When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the ground.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *Please rise in body or spirit to receive the gospel.* **ELW #171**



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He - le - lu - yan, he - le - lu - yan; he - le, he - le - lu - yan.

He - le - lu - yan, he - le - lu - yan; he - le, he - le - lu - yan.

**P** The Holy Gospel according to John, the 15th chapter.

**C** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL: John 15:1-5**

*Using imagery from the vineyard, Jesus compares his relationship to his followers to branches and the vine. Those who abide in his word and love would bear fruit, for apart from him, they could do nothing.*

<sup>1</sup>I am the true vine, and my Abba is the vine grower <sup>2</sup>who cuts off every branch in me that doesn't bear fruit, but prunes the fruitful ones to increase their yield. <sup>3</sup>You've been pruned already, thanks to the word that I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup>Live on in me, as I do in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit of itself apart for the vine, neither can you bear fruit apart from me. <sup>5</sup>I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who live in me and I in them will bear abundant fruit.

**P** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

Katie Streit

**MESSAGE** *Excerpts from* **ROOTED**

Various Readers

**HYMN OF THE DAY** *Please rise as able.*

***Rooted and Grounded in One Loving Source***

Ruth Duck  
Tune: Eventide

- 1 Rooted and grounded in one loving Source,  
we grow by grace as seasons run their course.  
Severed from you, what good have we to give?  
Graft us to you, O God, that we may live.
- 2 Drawing our life from Christ, the living vine,  
we grow in love, renewed by love divine.  
Offering shade to pilgrims passing by,  
we stretch our branches, reaching to the sky.
- 3 Then, brought to fullness by the Spirit's pow'r  
flower and fruit appear, each in its hour.  
Sharing good news and setting captives free,  
we harvest fruits of peace and unity.

4 God, keep us growing through the coming years;  
save us in storms of conflict; dry our tears.  
Life-giving God, our energies renew.  
Praise and thanksgiving ever be to you!

### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

From: *Seven Songs of Creation: Liturgies for Celebrating and Healing Earth* by Norman Habel

P Let us confess our faith.

**C We believe in God who creates all things,  
who embraces all things, who celebrates all things,  
who is present in every part of the fabric of creation.**  
**We believe in God as the source of all life,  
who baptizes this planet with living water,  
who heals all the wounds of Earth.**  
**We believe in the book of Earth, the book of life unfolding,  
the book revealing the mysteries of God's wisdom.**  
**We believe in Jesus Christ as the revelation and Wisdom of God,  
joining the web of life as human flesh,  
Jesus is the love of God immersed in the cosmos.**  
**We believe in an Earth community,  
a community where lives of all creatures and habitats are interconnected.**  
**We believe in Life forever,  
empowered by the breath of the Spirit of God,  
connected with our cosmic Christ  
and celebrated by all creation.**  
**We know this. And it is true.**

## + PRAYERS +

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

ACS #1067

*Petitions are offered that end: "We lift this prayer to you."*

Bret Hesla

*The congregation responds with the refrain below.*



1 We lift this prayer for the whole-ness of the earth. We lift this



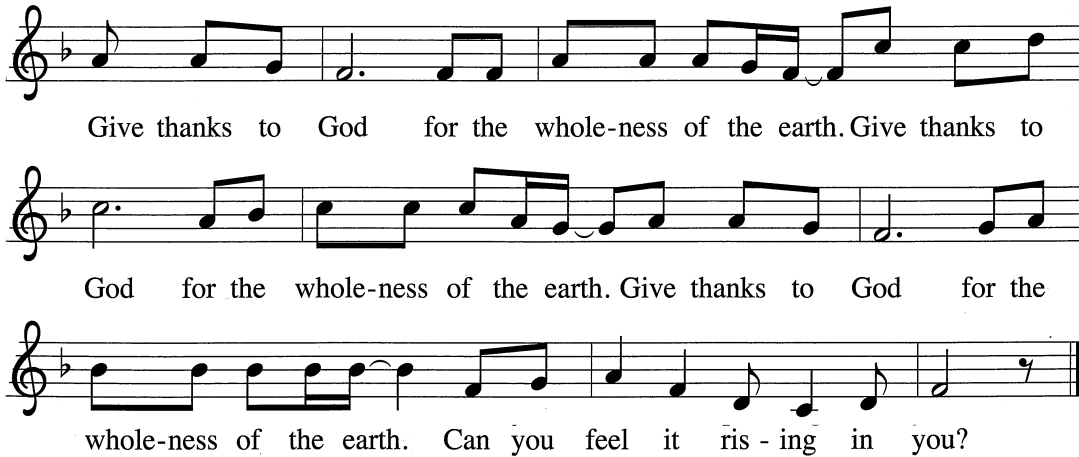
prayer for the whole-ness of the earth. We lift this prayer for the



whole-ness of the earth. Can you feel it ris - ing in you?

*Final refrain found on next page.*

Final refrain:



Give thanks to God for the whole-ness of the earth. Give thanks to  
God for the whole-ness of the earth. Give thanks to God for the  
whole-ness of the earth. Can you feel it ris - ing in you?

- A We join in the prayer that our Brother Jesus taught us:  
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.**

*Share a gesture of peace with your those around you.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OFFERING

*Your financial gifts today support the ongoing ministry of our congregation, cooperative ventures of ELCA congregations throughout Western Washington, and Evangelical Lutheran ministries around the world. We invite you to give generously! You can place your gift in the offering plate, mail in a check, or connect to our secure [Tithely Giving Page](#) via this QR CODE. Whatever size, your gift makes a difference—thank you for your support!*





**OFFERTORY**

*God of the Sparrow*

ELW #740



1 God of the spar - row God of the whale God of the swirl - ing

2 God of the grain field, God of the vine God of the bread and

3 God of the rain - bow God of the cross God of the emp - ty



stars How does the crea - ture say Awe

wine How does the crea - ture say Love

grave How does the crea - ture say Grace



How does the crea - ture say Praise

How does the crea - ture say Life

How does the crea - ture say Thanks

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

A God, our Creator,

**C through your love you have given us these gifts to share. Accept our offerings as an expression of our deep thanks and our concern for all in need, including the beings with whom we share this planet home. With all creation, we bless you. Amen.**

**+ SENDING +**

**THE CALL**

P Christ calls us to be rooted and grounded in love,  
to serve Earth by caring for creation  
to serve by caring for all creatures, habitats, and watersheds.  
Will you care for creation?

**C We will care for creation!  
We will care for one another!  
We will nurture our planet!  
We will celebrate life!**

SENDING HYMN

*In Sacred Manner*

ACS #1071

TUNE: SEATTLE



1 In sa - cred mán - - ner may we walk up -  
 2 In sa - cred man - - ner may we see the  
 3 In sa - cred man - - ner may we touch the  
 4 In sa - cred man - - ner may we hear the  
 5 In sa - cred man - - ner may we live a -  
 6 In sa - cred man - - ner may we walk up -



on the fair and lov - ing earth, in beau - ty move, in  
 lu - mi - nous and lov - ing stars, with won - der and with  
 sus - pir - ant and lov - ing green, give hon - or and give  
 pound - ing waves, the sear - ing fire, the rush - ing wind, the  
 mong the wise and lov - ing ones, sit hum - bly as at  
 on the fair and lov - ing earth, in beau - ty move, in



beau - ty love the liv - ing round that brought us birth. We  
 awe be - hold their ev - er - new cre - a - tive pow'rs. The  
 grat - i - tude for shade, for bloom, for gift un - seen. The  
 sing - ing night, the for - est hymn, the lov - ing choir. The  
 sa - ge's feet, by four-legged, finned, and feath - ered ones. The  
 beau - ty love the liv - ing round that brought us birth. We



stand on ho - ly ground. We stand on ho - ly ground.  
 heav - ens show us God. The heav - ens show us God.  
 trees shall shout for joy. The trees shall shout for joy.  
 morn - ing stars shall sing. The morn - ing stars shall sing.  
 an - i - mals will teach. The an - i - mals will teach.  
 stand on ho - ly ground. We stand on ho - ly ground.

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace, serving Christ and loving Earth.

C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

*Postlude in G Major*

J. S. Bach



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Lector	Scott Sunde
Readers	Ben Ward, Larry Cruse, Shannon Williams Caity Gerhardt, Marcia Olson, Boots Winterstein Marian Christjaener
Children's Sermon	Katie Streit
Greeters	Kathleen Keyes (host), Liz Hernandez, Shannon Williams
Ushers	Randy Hernandez
Coffee Server	Shannon Williams
Nursery Attendant	Heidi Coy
Production Techs	Alex Wren, Alan Jarvimaki

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Our thanks to Rev. Mel Jacob for filling in on this final Season of Creation Sunday.**  
Mel and his spouse Mary were recently received as members of Peace.

Pastor Kindem and household will be leaving on a long-delayed trip to Ireland on June 28. The tour of Ireland will include ancient Christian and Celtic sights. They will return to Peace after attending a Kindem family reunion in Montana the last week of July. Pastor Paul Winterstein is on call for pastoral emergencies during Pastor Kindem's absence. Paul is unavailable July 9-18. His phone numbers: 206-802-8951, mobile; 206-762-1362, landline. Email: [paulwinterstein.pw@gmail.com](mailto:paulwinterstein.pw@gmail.com)

## COVID PRECAUTIONS

As we continue to worship safely this summer, it is important that we remain vigilant in our practices to maintain a safe and healthy worship environment. Here at Peace, we maintain a variety of protocol to prevent the spread of COVID-19. This is just a friendly reminder to keep those masks on throughout worship and if you are experiencing any symptoms please get tested,

stay home and enjoy our livestream broadcast. If you do test positive and were recently at Peace for worship or any other activity, we ask that you please notify the church so that we may encourage others who may have been exposed to get tested and take their own precautions. On behalf of the People of Peace, the Church Council and our incredible Safe Opening Task Force, we so very much appreciate your care and concern for each other and our ability to resume church activities safely.

There are still plenty of home COVID tests available in the office. If you would like some, let Kathleen know, and she will get them for you.

## JULY 3 SERVICE OF SONG, WORD, AND PRAYER

A Service of Song, Word, and Prayer composed by Marian Christjaener and Boots Winterstein, members of our Worship Committee, is scheduled for Sunday Worship on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Boots will be presiding, and we will have a guest accompanist, Nan Beth Walton. People are invited to arrive 15 minutes early, at 9:15, for some warm-up singing.

## WORSHIP TIME CHANGING TO 9:30 JULY 3

Beginning July 3 through Labor Day Weekend (September 4) worship will begin at 9:30 am. Starting September 11 it will return to 10:30 am.

## THIS WEEK'S ACT FOR CREATION

Amid the complexity and loss brought by the climate crisis, Haupt writes in *Rooted* that a response is asked of us. How would you like to see the People of Peace respond? You can email the whole Creation Care Team with your thoughts and requests at [creationcare@peacelutheranseattle.org](mailto:creationcare@peacelutheranseattle.org).

**Pray for Creation:** We ask God to use our gifts of body, mind, and spirit as we respond to the impacts of climate change.

## 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; Cindy Collie; Billie Jane Debelak; Gavriella DeBoer; Keili Geller; Nathaniel Gibson; Dawn Gringorten; Nancy Hauger; Elizabeth Heath; Donna Heiland; Tim Herriford; Mackenzie Hull; Gary Humphries; Vickie Jarvimaki; Jeffry; Kevin Kay; Ken Keyes; Erik, Chris, Kai & Naomi Kindem; Mike Larson; Dee Levy; Maya Marshall; Jeanne Martinez; 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; Stonie Jacqueline Palu; John Parker; Michelle Pierce; Gail Price; Joey Roberts; Seattle Lutheran High School administration, faculty, staff, and students; Bob & Rosemary Smalading; Aaden Smith; Leon Smith; JoAnne Spangler; Sean Stephens; Sarah Taylor; Tom Vane; Karin VanSant; Louisa Wagner; Nanette Wichman; Inge Williams; Joyce Wolff; Patti Wunder.

**Homebound:** Lee Lamson; Dorothy Linnell

## 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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