

SEASON AFTER PENTECOST



July 31, 2022

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Peace Lutheran Church



West Seattle, Washington

“Love your neighbor as yourself” is not a random saying, sprinkled around in the Bible a few times. This is at the very heart of who we are as God’s children, and it doesn’t mean just sharing a cup of sugar with our neighbor. We ask God, whose love for us knows no bounds, to give us the courage to reach out to people of every race, creed, and culture.

Today, the message is brought to us by our sister Sonja Outlaw. We will hear her story from the perspective of being one who is not always welcomed in our society.

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C – Congregation

P – Presider

L – Lector

+ GATHERING +

PRELUDE

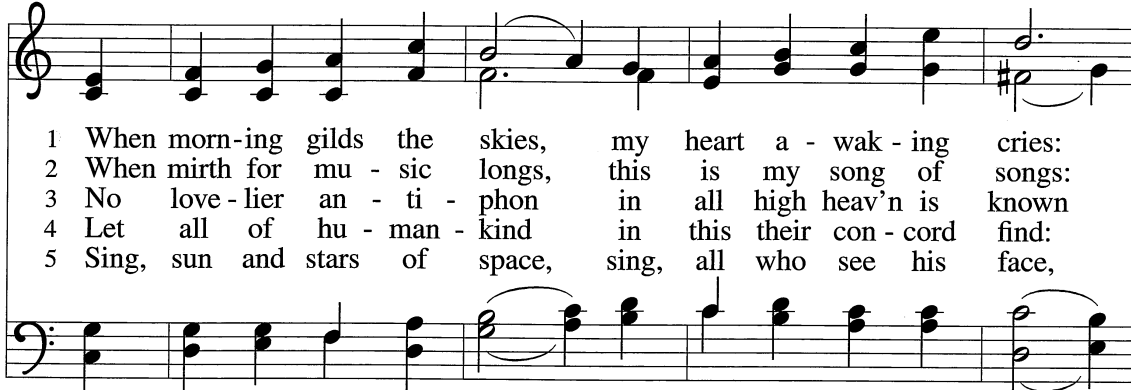
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WELCOME

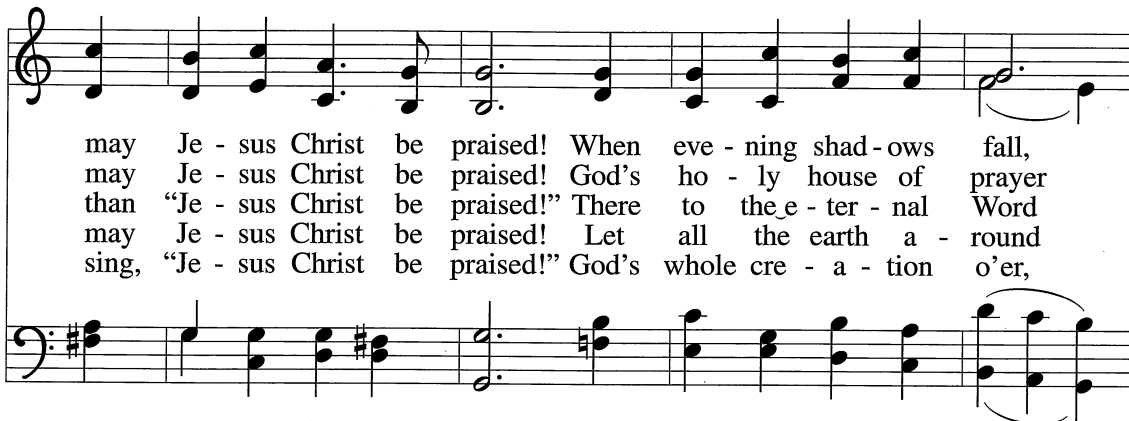
GATHERING HYMN

When Morning Gilds the Skies

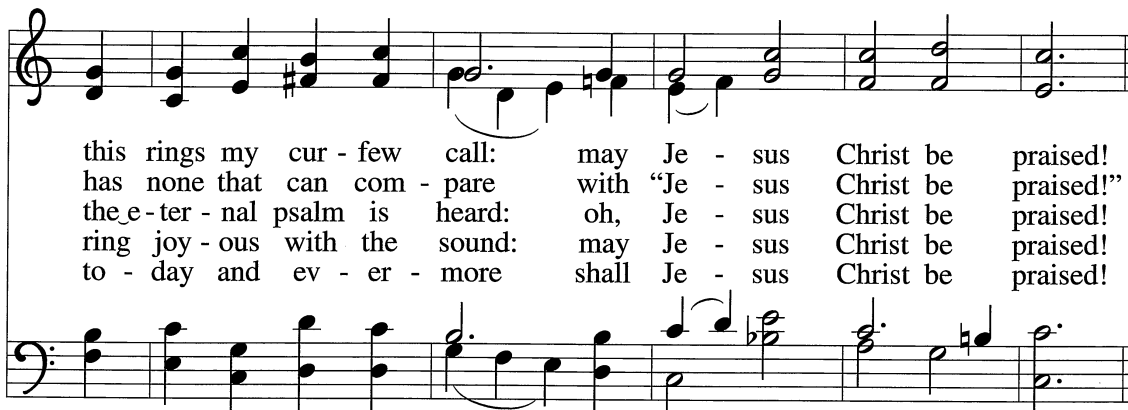
ELW #853



1 When morn-ing gilds the skies, my heart a - wak - ing cries:
2 When mirth for mu - sic longs, this is my song of songs:
3 No love - lier an - ti - phon in all high heav'n is known
4 Let all of hu - man - kind in this their con - cord find:
5 Sing, sun and stars of space, sing, all who see his face,



may Je - sus Christ be praised! When eve - ning shad - ows fall,
may Je - sus Christ be praised! God's ho - ly house of prayer
than "Je - sus Christ be praised!" There to the e - ter - nal Word
may Je - sus Christ be praised! Let all the earth a - round
sing, "Je - sus Christ be praised!" God's whole cre - a - tion o'er,



this rings my cur - few call: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
has none that can com - pare with "Je - sus Christ be praised!"
the e - ter - nal psalm is heard: oh, Je - sus Christ be praised!
ring joy - ous with the sound: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
to - day and ev - er - more shall Je - sus Christ be praised!

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

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1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;



yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.
yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.
yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.



Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;
Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;
Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;



ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.



Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;



yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives.
Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure
what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

+ WORD +

FIRST READING: Philippians 2:1-11

David Wold

*In his living and in his dying, Jesus is our model. As we empty ourselves of self-centered living,
we can become whole-hearted servants to others.*

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, ²make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. ⁴Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. ⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷ but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸ he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW #174

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is a simple, joyful tune. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' are written below the notes. The first staff ends with a double bar line, and the second staff continues the melody and lyrics.

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 12th Chapter.

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

GOSPEL: Mark 12:28-34

The reign of God is manifest when we love God and love our neighbors.

One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, ‘Which commandment is the first of all?’ ²⁹Jesus answered, ‘The first is, “Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; ³⁰you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.” ³¹The second is this, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” There is no other

commandment greater than these.’³² Then the scribe said to him, ‘You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that “he is one, and besides him there is no other”;³³ and “to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength”, and “to love one’s neighbor as oneself”,—this is much more important than all whole burnt-offerings and sacrifices.’³⁴ When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, ‘You are not far from the kingdom of God.’ After that no one dared to ask him any question.

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

MESSAGE

Sonja Outlaw

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace

ELW #716



1 Lord of all na - tions, grant me grace to love all
 2 Break down the wall that would di - vide thy chil - dren,
 3 For - give me, Lord, where I have erred by love - less
 4 Give me thy cour - age, Lord, to speak when - ev - er
 5 With thine own love may I be filled and by thy



peo - ple, ev - 'ry race; and in each per - son may I
 Lord, on ev - 'ry side. My neigh - bor's good let me pur -
 act and thought - less word. Make me to see the wrong I
 strong op - press the weak. Should I my - self the vic - tim
 Ho - ly Spir - it willed, that all I touch, wher - e'er I



see my kin - dred, loved, re - deemed by thee.
 sue; let Chris - tian love bind warm and true.
 do will cru - ci - fy my Lord a - new.
 be, help me for - give, re - mem - b'ring thee.
 be, may be di - vine - ly touched by thee.

+ PRAYERS +

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Paul Bliss

A We ask God to remove from our minds and our hearts all that would distract us as we offer our petitions for God’s creatures everywhere.
 Creator of all, you made each of us in your own image, and yet we do not always acknowledge your presence in the people around us. Our self-indulgent concerns and our busy lifestyles often take precedence over your purpose for placing us here on earth.

C **Unsettle our routines and let the example of Jesus be our guide. Instruct us in the ways of the compassionate care he gave to people who were cut off from the community.**

- A In the history of our nation, institutions have generated long-lasting, biased policies that have led to housing discrimination, wrongful convictions in the courts, food deserts, and economic inequality.
- C **Give to each one of us the courage to respond to these injustices by asking ourselves: *What am I doing to right these wrongs?***
- A Our siblings of other races and cultures continue to be met with hostile stares on the street or in places of business; they encounter faulty assumptions based on stereotypes; and they experience exclusion in subtle and not-so-subtle ways.
- C **Embolden us to connect ourselves to all who are de-humanized by hurtful words and actions.**
- A You endow us with a variety of gifts, and you make our mission very clear – to love our neighbors as ourselves.
- C **Let our ears be open to those who are adversely impacted by prejudice, and then let their stories pierce our hearts in a way that takes us beyond only good intentions.**
- A As we enter into the hottest time of year in our northern hemisphere, made more severe by climate change, we pray for life-saving protections for all whose lives are affected disproportionately by the extreme heat.
- C **Keep safe the incarcerated, the farm laborers, those living without shelter, and those crowded into urban ghettos.**
- A We give you thanks, O God, for all the life that surrounds us – people, animals, and everything that exists in the natural world. Where there is good news in our worldwide community, let there be rejoicing; where there is struggle, bring your hope; where there is disease, bring your healing; and where there is dying, bring the promise of new life.
- C **Amen.**
- A We join in the prayer that our Brother Jesus taught us:

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.**

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, can mail in a check, or connect to our secure [Tithely Giving Page](#) via this QR CODE. Whatever size, your gift makes difference—thank you for your support!



OFFERTORY

For the Fruit of All Creation

ELW #679

1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.
2 In the iust re - ward of la - bor. God's will is done.

For these gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, thanks be to God.
In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will is done.

For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,
In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,

fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.
in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P God of abundance:

C you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. Amen.

+ SENDING +

BLESSING

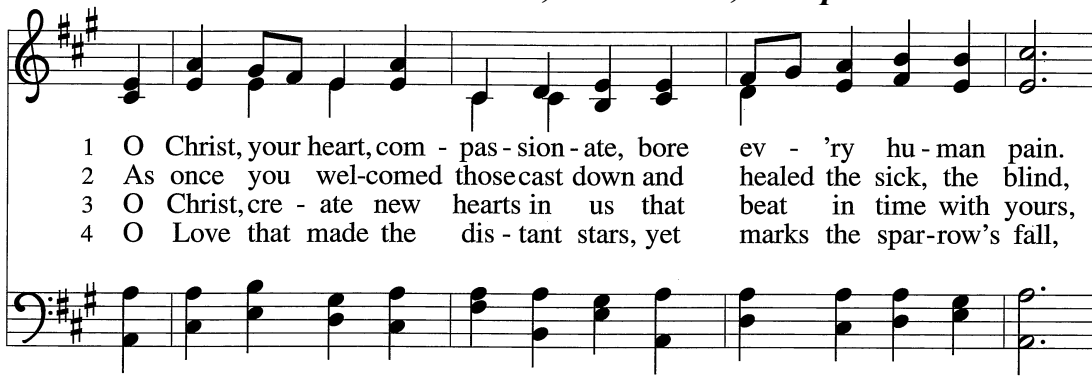
P The God of peace, Creator, + Christ, and Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.

C Amen.

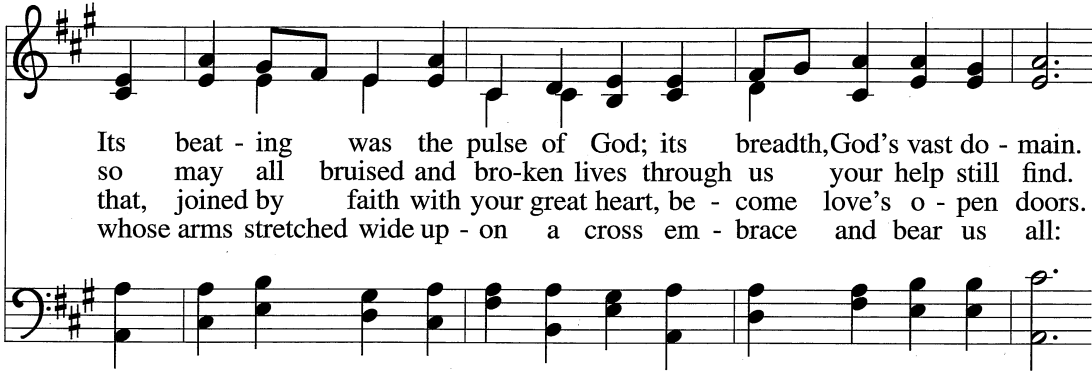
SENDING HYMN

O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate

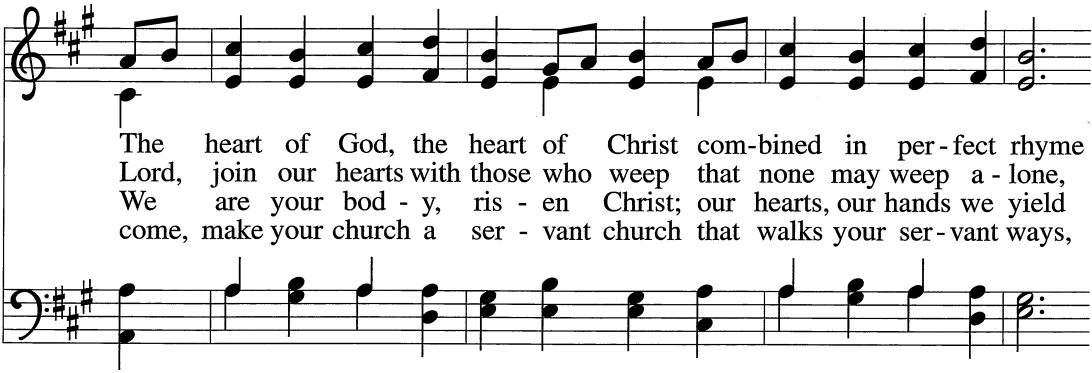
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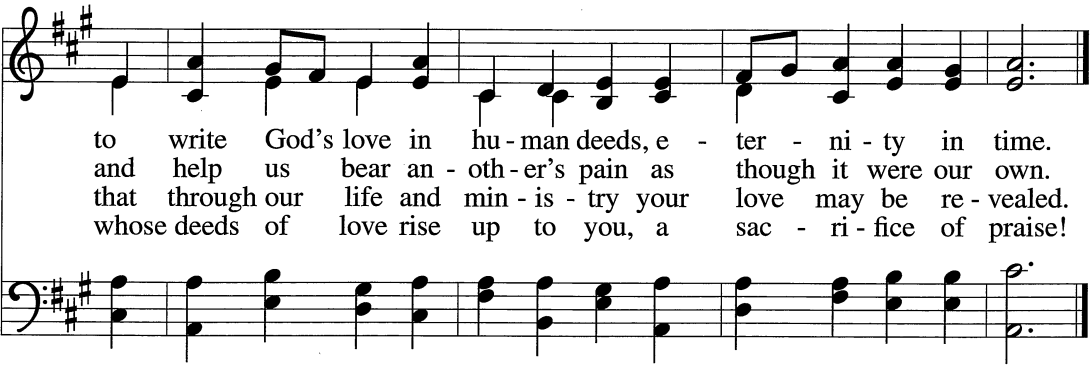
1 O Christ, your heart, com - pas - sion - ate, bore ev - 'ry hu - man pain.
 2 As once you wel - comed those cast down and healed the sick, the blind,
 3 O Christ, cre - ate new hearts in us that beat in time with yours,
 4 O Love that made the dis - tant stars, yet marks the spar - row's fall,



Its beat - ing was the pulse of God; its breadth, God's vast do - main.
 so may all bruised and bro - ken lives through us your help still find.
 that, joined by faith with your great heart, be - come love's o - pen doors.
 whose arms stretched wide up - on a cross em - brace and bear us all:



The heart of God, the heart of Christ com - bined in per - fect rhyme
 Lord, join our hearts with those who weep that none may weep a - lone,
 We are your bod - y, ris - en Christ; our hearts, our hands we yield
 come, make your church a ser - vant church that walks your ser - vant ways,



to write God's love in hu - man deeds, e - ter - ni - ty in time.
 and help us bear an - oth - er's pain as though it were our own.
 that through our life and min - is - try your love may be re - vealed.
 whose deeds of love rise up to you, a sac - ri - fice of praise!

- A Go in peace. Love your neighbor.
- C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Nan Walton



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Liturgical Assistant	Paul Bliss
Lector	David Wold
Greeters	Kathleen Keyes (host), Marcia Olson, Shannon Williams
Ushers	Alan Jarvimaki
Coffee Server	Marcia Olson/WELCA
Nursery Attendant	Heidi Coy
Production Techs	Alex Wren, Joey DiJulio

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Kindem and household were on a long-delayed trip to Ireland. The tour of Ireland included 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. His phone numbers: 206-802-8951, mobile; 206-762-1362, landline. Email: paulwinterstein.pw@gmail.com

WORSHIP TIME STARTS AT 9:30 THROUGH LABOR DAY

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.

PRIMARY ELECTION AUGUST 2

Please remember to vote and return your ballots by the August 2nd deadline.

THIS WEEK'S ACT FOR CREATION

When we get high heat, we also often get poor air quality. That's not good for anyone but it's particularly harmful to folks who already face challenges breathing. To help reduce pollution on poor air quality days, carpool or use mass transit, make fewer car trips, fill your gas tank during cooler hours and wait for cooler days to tackle jobs requiring gas-powered outdoor equipment. And for your overall health, stay hydrated!

Pray for Creation: Pray that the Spirit form us into fearless advocates for those affected by extreme heat, whose voices remain unheard.

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; Marsha Davis; Zach Debelak; Gavriella DeBoer; Aiden Edwards; Keili Geller; Nathaniel Gibson; Dawn Gringorten; Elizabeth Heath; Donna Heiland; Tim Herriford; Mackenzie Hull; Gary Humphries; Vickie Jarvimaki; Jeffrey; Kevin Kay; Ken Keyes; 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; Marianne Paulos; Paul Paulos; Michelle Pierce; Gail Price; Joey Roberts; Mitch Shepard; Bob & Rosemary Smalding; 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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