

Peace Lutheran Church



West Seattle, Washington

Invited and inviting—that is the nature of the church. By God's grace in holy baptism we have a place at Christ's banquet table. Who is missing? Hebrews calls us to remember them, and Jesus tells us to invite them in. When, by the power of that same Spirit, humility and mutual love continue among us, the church can be more inviting still.

+ GATHERING +

P – Presider C – Congregation L - Lector A – Assisting Minister ELW – Evangelical Lutheran Worship Hymnal ACS – All Creation Sings Hymnal

PRELUDE

Nan Walton

WELCOME

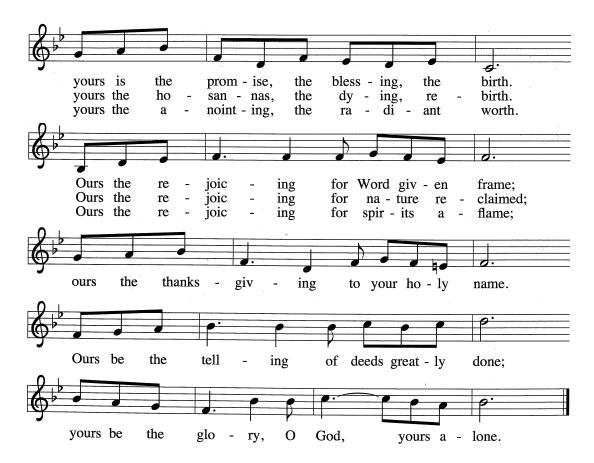
GATHERING HYMN Please rise as able in body or spirit. Son of God, Eternal Savior **ELW #655** Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav-ior, source of life and 1 and grace, truth As you, Lord, have lived for oth - ers, so may we for Come, O Christ, and reign a - mong us, King of love and 2 oth - ers live. 3 Prince of peace; 4 Son of God, e - ter - nal Sav-ior, source of life and truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us hal-lows all our hu - man race, Free - ly have your gifts been grant-ed; free-ly may your ser - vants give. hush the storm of strife and pas-sion, bid its cru-el dis - cords cease. Word made flesh, whose birth a - mong us hal-lows all our hu - man race: our head, who, throned in glo-ry, for your own will ev you plead: er Yours the gold and yours the sil-ver, yours the wealth of land and sea; Bv your pa-tient years of toil-ing, by your si - lent hours of pain, vour pray-ing, by your will-ing that your peo-ple should be by one, fill us with your love and pit - y, heal our wrong, and help our need. but stew-ards of we your boun-ty held in sol - emn trust will be. quench our fe-vered thirst of plea-sure, stem our self - ish greed of gain. grant, oh, grant our hope's fru - i - tion: here on earth your will be done. **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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PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

- P Let us pray. O God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble. Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

+ WORD +

READING: Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Larry Cruse

The conclusion of the letter to the Hebrews contains many suggestions for the conduct of life, all of which are shaped by God's love toward us in Jesus Christ.

Let mutual love continue. ²Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. ³Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. ⁴Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. ⁵Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." ⁶So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper;

I will not be afraid.

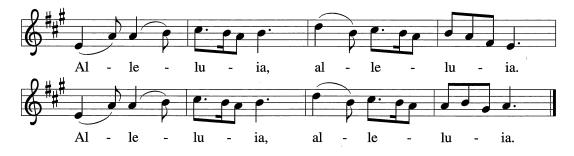
What can anyone do to me?"

⁷Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

¹⁵Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. ¹⁶Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Please rise in body or spirit to receive the gospel ELW #174



P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 14th Chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: Luke 14:1, 7-14

Jesus observes guests jockeying for position at the table. He uses the opportunity to teach his hearers to choose humility rather than self-exaltation. Jesus also makes an appeal for hosts to imitate God's gracious hospitality to those in need.

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. ⁷When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. ⁸"When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; ⁹and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. ¹¹For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

¹²He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

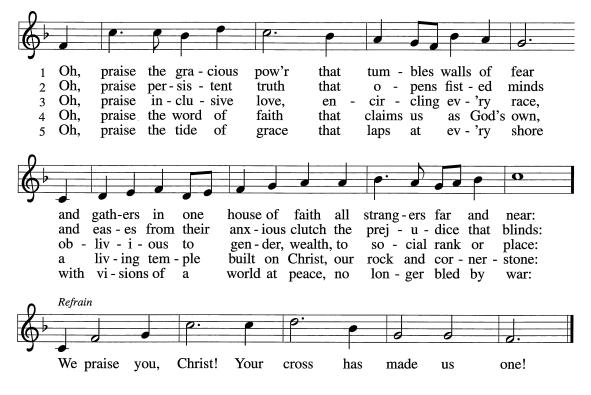
Sarah Bliss

SERMON

Time for Reflection

HYMN OF THE DAY *Please rise as able. Oh, Praise the Gracious Power*

ELW #651 vs 1, 2, 3, 5



+ WORD +

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Janet Cruse

- A Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer. *Petitions are offered that end with*:
 - A Merciful God,
 - C receive our prayer.

When all petitions have been offered:

P Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray:

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 <u>Tithely Giving Page</u> via this QR CODE. Whatever size, your gift makes difference—thank you for your support!



ELW #679

OFFERTORY *Please rise as able. For the Fruit of All Creation*



OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A Let us pray. 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.



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

POSTLUDE

Nan Walton

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OFFERING INCOME

Offering Income received AUGUST 2022

Our mission goal for 2022 anticipates offering income of \$23,678 each month

08/04/22\$ 1.380.0008/11/22\$ 1,920.0008/18/22\$ 3,225.0008/25/22\$ 550.00electronic\$ 6,615.85Total\$13,690.85

Thank you for your gifts which support God's mission at Peace, in the larger community, and internationally through the ELCA

THIS WEEK'S ACT FOR CREATION

Planning to grill for Labor Day next weekend? Why not be kinder to Creation and offer some non-meat options with veggie burgers or dogs? Buy them or make your own! <u>AllRecipes.com</u> has 20 recipes to explore at <u>https://www.allrecipes.com/gallery/veggie-burger-recipes/</u>. **Pray for Creation**: We pray that we would learn to coexist peacefully with all of God's creatures.

WORSHIP TIME SHIFT IS COMING

<u>NOTE</u>: Our worship time remains @ 9:30 through next <u>Sunday</u>, <u>September 4th</u> (Labor Weekend). <u>Beginning September 11, worship will begin @ 10:30am</u> through the program year.

LUTHERWOOD OPEN HOUSE

Come to Lutherwood and help us Celebrate 75+ Years of Ministry!! Fun for the whole family including lunch and carnival games and activities!!! Saturday **September 10 from 10AM-2PM.** This would be a perfect time to visit Lutherwood as a family and see what they have to offer at this beautiful camp on Lake Samish.

Find more information at <u>https://www.camplutherwood.org/celebrating-grace</u> and reserve your spot by calling Lutherwood at 360-734-7652.

GOD'S WORK ~ OUR HANDS: Roxhill Bog September 11

We are a church energized by lively engagement in faith and life. As we continue our tradition of service to our neighbor, we remember the words of Martin Luther: **"Our faith is a living, busy, active, mighty thing."** With our hands, we do God's work of restoring and reconciling communities in the name of Jesus Christ. **Plans are being developed for a HANDS – ON Servant event at the <u>Roxhill Bog</u> on Sunday, September 11th. Mark your calendars and stay tuned!**

RALLY SUNDAY IS SEPTEMBER 18

Please Mark Your Calendars! :) The Peace Education Team and Church Council are planning a joint SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY and MINISTRY FAIR that will be taking place on <u>Sunday, September 18th</u>. The theme of the event is **WE ARE THE BODY OF CHRIST** – **Everyone has an important role!** And you are invited!

At 9:15 am the Education Team has planned for fun crafts and activity stations (focused around how our own human bodies function together) located in the downstairs Fellowship Hall and Patio to kick off our Sunday School year. Following 10:30 worship, the Church Council will have information and volunteers to share how you can take on a role in the growth and function of our Peace Community this fall as we rebuild our in-person opportunities. We invite and encourage you to come - we would love to see you!

BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES!!

As we at Peace have done the past few years, we are inviting you to help supply school kids with needed items for the coming year. Again -- instead of doing the shopping ourselves, consider sending dollars to the Seattle Times Fund for those in need. For more than two decades The Times' annual drive has collected readers' donations and distributed 100% of the funds to community partners.

PEACE HAS ANTS!

We have ants at Peace. Please help us keep them away. All food should be sealed and put away. Dirty dishes should at least be rinsed out. Don't leave coffee cups around with coffee in them. Please pour out the coffee and dispose of the cup appropriately. Thank you so much. Karl has sprayed a couple of times. If we all do our part, hopefully we can conquer this problem.

PRAYER LIST

Please continue to remember the sick and home-bound of our congregation and others who have sought our prayers: Sick/Recovering: Ferol Allison; Nancy Archer; Jim Baker; Catherine Bell; Connie Benjamin; John Berrell; Cindy Collie; Vonda Cuchine; Marsha Davis; Zach Debelak; Gavriella DeBoer; Deyhdra Dennis-Weiss; Aiden Edwards; Roni Edwards; David Escame-Hedger; Patrick Fenton; Keili Geller; Nathaniel Gibson; Dawn Gringorten; Elizabeth Heath; Donna Heiland; Tim Herriford; Mackenzie Hull; Gary Humphries; Vickie Jarvimaki; Ken Keyes; Mike Larson; Dee Levy; Arne Lund; 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 Jacueline Palu; John Parker; Marianne Paulos; Paul Paulos; Michelle Pierce; Gail Price; Mitch Shepard; Bob & Rosemary Smalding: Aaden Smith; Leon Smith; JoAnne Spangler; Michelle Gompper Spear; Sean Stephens; Sarah Taylor; Karin VanSant; Louisa Wagner; Nanette Wichman; Inge Williams; Joyce Wolff; Patti Wunder; Paulette Zimmerman. Homebound: Lee Lamson; Dorothy Linnell We express our Christian sympathy to the Harro family on the death of twin brothers Mark and Daniel Harro in a plane crash; and also to the McPherson family on the death of Bill McPherson, Kathleen Fueger's uncle, on 8/23/22.

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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