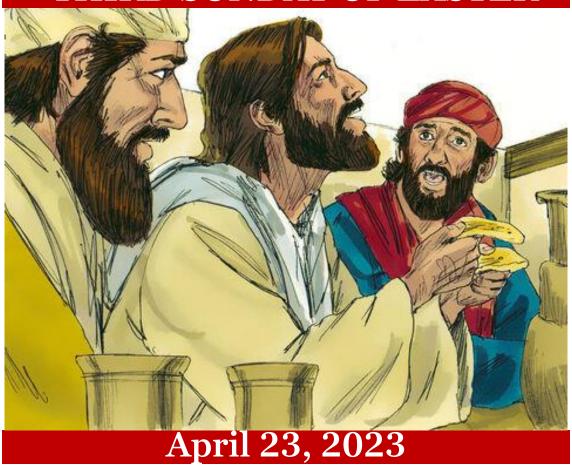
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



Peace Lutheran Church



West Seattle, Washington

Today's gospel begins with two disciples walking to Emmaus, overcome with sadness, loss, and disappointment. They had hoped Jesus, who was crucified, would be the one to redeem Israel! Yet the risen Christ walks with them and then opens their eyes in the breaking of the bread. Each Sunday our hearts burn within us as the scriptures are proclaimed and Christ appears to us as bread is broken and wine is poured. The story of Emmaus becomes the pattern of our worship each Lord's day.

Thank you for joining us for this celebration of Christ's resurrection!

Your presence enriches our community.

+ GATHERING +

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PRELUDE Jon Lackey

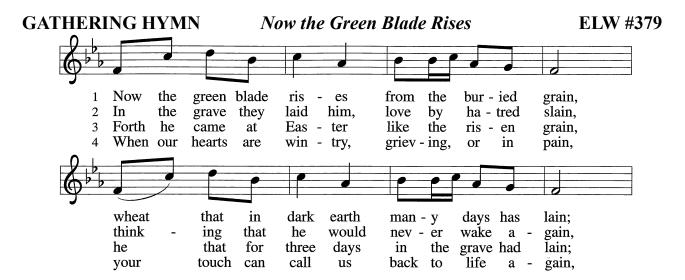
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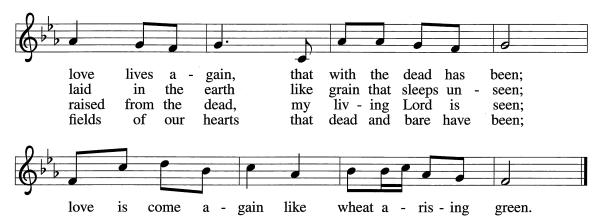
- P Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

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

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, by whose hand we are given new birth, by whose speaking we are given new life.
- C Amen.
- P Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are welcomed, restored, and supported as citizens of the new creation. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.
 - Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty, you are the river of life, you are the everlasting wellspring.
 - In mercy and might you have freed us from death and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead. In baptismal waters our old life is washed away, and in them we are born anew.
 - Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister continues.
- P Glory to you for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams. Honor to you for waters that wash us clean, quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures. Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism, the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.
- C Wash away our sin and all that separates us from you. Empower our witness to your resurrection. Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.
- P Satisfy the world's need through this living water. Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment. Where despair prevails, grant hope. Where chaos reigns, bring peace. We ask this through Christ, who with you and the Spirit reigns forever.
- C Amen.





GREETING

- The grace of our risen Lord Jesus 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**



PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray. O God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

+ WORD +

FIRST READING: Acts 2:14a, 36-42

Heidi Eilers

Today's reading is the conclusion of Peter's sermon preached following the giving of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost. The center of his preaching is the bold declaration that God has made the crucified Jesus both Lord and Christ.

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the people:

³⁶"Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified."

³⁷Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" ³⁸Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." ⁴⁰And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." ⁴¹So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added. ⁴²They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

L Christ is risen!

C Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 1:17-23

The imagery of exile is used to help the readers of this letter understand that they are strangers in a strange land. Christians no longer belong to this age. Through the death of Christ we belong to God, so that our focus, faith, and hope are no longer on such things as silver or gold.

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. ¹⁸You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. ²⁰He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. ²¹Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

²²Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. ²³You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

L Christ is risen!

C Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

CHILDREN'S TIME Sarah Bliss

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

Be Not Afraid

ELW #388



- P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 24th Chapter
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: Luke 24:13-35

The colorful story of Jesus' appearance to two disciples on the road to Emmaus answers the question of how Jesus is to be recognized among us. Here, he is revealed through the scriptures and in the breaking of bread.

Now on that same day when Jesus had appeared to the women, two disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴ and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" ¹⁹He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. ²²Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³ and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. ²⁴Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." ²⁵Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" ²⁷Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

²⁸As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. ³²They said to each other, "Were not

our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" ³³That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

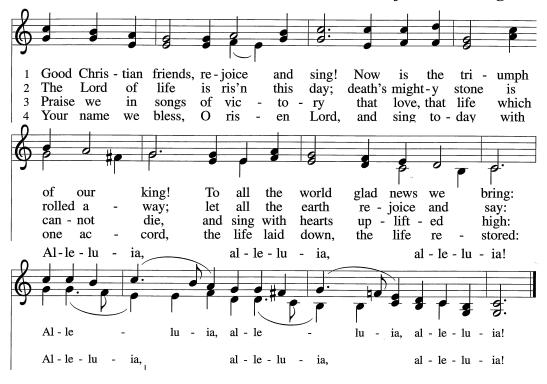
P Christ is risen!

C Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

SERMON Pastor Paul Winterstein

HYMN OF THE DAY Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!

ELW #385



NICENE CREED

- P With the whole church let us confess our faith.
- C We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Heidi Eilers

A With awe and wonder at the rising to new life of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the whole new creation he brings, we offer our prayers for the church, and all other parts of this new creation.

Petitions are offered that end with:

A Lord of new creation,

C hear our prayer.

When all petitions have been offered:

P Rejoicing in your victory over death and the new creation you bring, we offer you our prayers and praise.

C Amen

+ MEAL +

THE PEACE

P The peace of the risen Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Let us share a gesture of peace with our neighbors.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

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OFFERTORY God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending Tune: Beachspring

God whose giving knows no ending from your rich and endless store:

Nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door.

Gifted by you we turn to you, offring up ourselves in praise;

Thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.

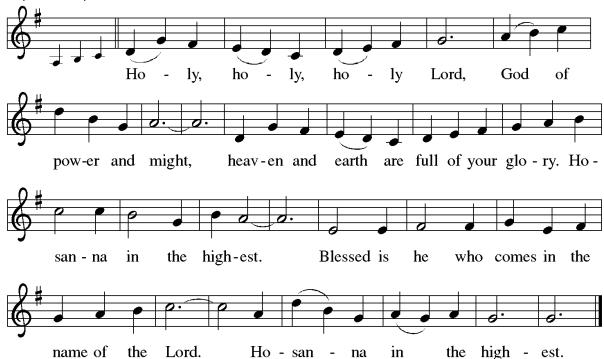
OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A Let us pray. Generous God,
- C in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth. In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord. Amen

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts!
- C We lift them to the Lord!
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.
- P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



- P We give you thanks, gracious God, through Jesus Christ your beloved Son.... Taking bread and giving thanks to you, said:
- C Take and eat; this is my body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.
- P In the same way he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
- C This is my blood poured out for you and for all people. Do this for the remembrance of me.

- P For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.
- C Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.
- P Therefore, O God, with this bread and cup....
 We cry out for the resurrection of our lives, when Christ will come again in beauty and power to share with us the great and promised feast.
- C Amen, Come Lord Jesus.
- P Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the communion of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.
- C Amen, Come Holy Spirit.
- P Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.
- C Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (ecumenical)

- P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- P Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you.
- C Thanks be to God!

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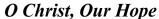
We commune processionally. Extend your hands to receive bread. A gluten free wafer is also available. Both wine (dark) and grape juice (light) are available in the ceramic cups. Place your empty cup in the box at the end of the front pew on your way back. Children are welcome to receive when their parents believe they are ready, with the support of the pastor. Any who prefer a blessing may cross their hands over their chest as they come forward.

COMMUNION HYMNS

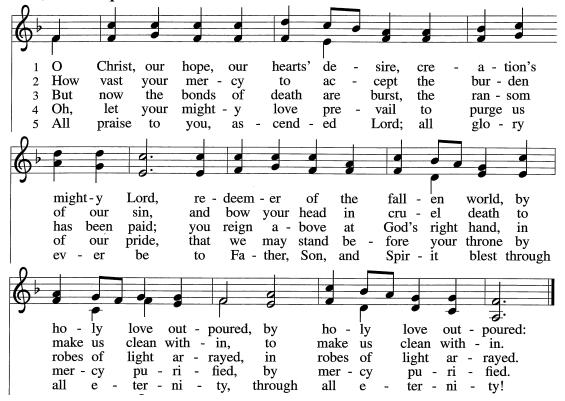
Now We Join in Celebration

ELW #462





ELW #604



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray. Eternal God, through baptism into the death and resurrection of Christ you welcome us to this table and nourish us with the food and drink of the Promised Land. Now send us forth into the world, that we may be witnesses to your glory made known to us in Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

C Amen.

BLESSING

- P The God of all, who raised + Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation.
- C Amen.





DISMISSAL

- P Alleluia! Christ is risen.
- C Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!
- A Go in peace. Serve the Risen One.
- C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE Jon Lackey

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Our mission goal for 2023 anticipates receiving offering income of \$25,819 each month.

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04/02/23 \$ 2,910.00 04/09/23 \$ 5,352.00 04/16/23 \$ 430.00 Electronic \$ 6,703.14 **Total** \$15.395.14

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

Friday is Arbor Day, a day to inspire people to plant, nurture, and celebrate trees. Did you know tree flowers are critical forage for bees and other pollinators? They provide nutrient-rich pollen and nectar bees use for food and to make honey. Download WSU's <u>Pollinator-Friendly Gardening Tip Sheet</u> #12 at https://extension.wsu.edu/king/tip-sheet-12-pollinator-friendly-gardening/ to learn more. And join us at https://extension.wsu.edu/king/tip-sheet-12-pollinator-friendly-gardening/ to learn more. And join us at https://extension.wsu.edu/king/tip-sheet-12-pollinator-friendly-gardening/ to learn more. And join us at https://extension.wsu.edu/king/tip-sheet-12-pollinator-friendly-gardening/ to learn more. And join us at https://extension.wsu.edu/king/tip-sheet-12-pollinator-friendly-gardening/ to learn more. And join us at https://extension.wsu.edu/king/tip-sheet-12-pollinator-friendly-gardening/ to learn more. And join us at https://extension.wsu.edu/king/tip-sheet-12-pollinator-friendly-gardening/ to learn more. And join us at https://extension.wsu.edu/king/tip-sheet-12-pollinator-friendly-gardening/ to learn more. And join us at https://extension.wsu.edu/king/tip-sheet-12-pollinator-friendly-gardening/ to learn more. And jo

Pray for Creation: We pray that we in the Northern Hemisphere see signs of God's care for us in the blooming of the trees and flowers, and the anticipation of the crops to come.

OFFERING OF LETTERS 4/30/23

Mark your calendar next Sunday, 9:30 am and 10:30 am, for our annual Offering of Letters! 9:30: Learn about the Farm Bill while enjoying "breads of the world," followed by letter-writing to our U.S. senators and representative. 10:30: Offering of Letters as part of our worship.

HOLIDAY BAZAAR KICKOFF 2023

We are excited to kick-off this year's event, currently planned for the **Saturday (November 18, 2023) and Sunday (November 19, 2023)** before Thanksgiving (Thursday, November 23, 2023).

- We are currently planning for spending the 2022 proceeds more information to come in May 2023.
- We will be bringing back "tried and true" favorites and be introducing a number of new ideas and items

Wanted: Gardeners, house plant "parents"

- We are looking for 2-3 gardeners who organically garden and would like to provide any of the following:
 - o Organic dried lavender for sachets and culinary (think lavender lemonade)
 - Organic dried fragrant rose buds/petals, chamomile, calendula, peppermint, and lemon verbena for culinary, bath teas and bath salts
 - Succulents and hens 'n chicks are very popular!
- We are looking for 2-3 people with house plants who can grow 3-5 easy-to- care for houseplants (or perhaps divide existing ones)

Interested? Please send an email to Barbara Hillier: hillierdb@msn.com.

(We understand that circumstances change, so for now this is intent to grow rather than confirmed growing)

Wanted: Spring cleaners, garage/yard sale enthusiasts

We are looking to acquire the following from your basement/closet or spring and early summer garage/yard sales by JUNE 4, 2023. (The West Seattle Community Garage Sale is Saturday, May 13, 2023)

- Glass footed cake stands prefer clear or white glass (footed fruit bowls of any material also)
- Canning jars, from half pint to quart with or without lids, any color
- Scrabble game tiles (wood only) and clothespins (any size– wood only)
- Yarn suitable for knitting or crochet; partially completed projects with all required yarn also
- Polar fleece (solids and patterns) and Minky baby fabric remnants or yardage is welcome
- Vintage women's printed or embroidered handkerchiefs (to make sachets)
- Styrofoam balls (type used for crafts) from 2 inches to 8 inches in diameter
- Styrofoam cones (type used for crafts) from 6 inches to 12+ inches tall
- Tabletop Christmas trees 18 inches to 24 inches in good condition, undecorated, lights okay to be used as displays at the event

Starting Sunday, April 16, 2023 and ending Sunday, June 4, 2023, bring your items to the fireside room – look for the designated drop off location in the room. Please fill out the donation form so we know who to thank and can accurately inventory your donations!

Note: The Bazaar team reserves the right to evaluate donated items and to donate any items not used for the event to Goodwill or to return them to the donor.

PRAYER LIST

Please continue to remember the sick and home-bound of our congregation and others who have sought our prayers: Sick/Recovering: Kathy Anderson; Arlene; Vonda Cuchine; Marsha Davis; Mark Engelman; Sean Fenton; Deena Fuller; Jack Garrison; Caity Gerhardt; Nathaniel Gibson; Dawn Gringorten; Jaylin H.; Donna Heiland; Jerry Heiland; Heather Jennings; Tony Jilek; Victoria Johnson; Ken Keyes; Mike Larson; Noreen Lee; Dee Levy; Jan Madsen; Maya Marshall; Evelyn Martinez; Vicki Martinez; Chloe McDonough; Eric, Erin, Finley McDonough; Ken McPherson; Jenn Mersing; Steve Metzler; Jim Meyer; Katrina Moore; Bill Morrell; Larry Nelson; Nora; Marianne Paulos; Paul Paulos; Michelle Pierce; Elaine Ross; Aaden Smith; Leon Smith; JoAnne Spangler; Kadi Sue Sprengle; Sean Stephens; Sarah Taylor; Conrad Tollefson; Wade & Karin VanSant; Wendell & Wilson; Judy Wiggins; Inge Williams; Patti Wunder; Inta Zagars.

Homebound: Jim Baker; Connie Benjamin; Lee Lamson; Dorothy Linnell

PROTOCOL FOR PRAYER LIST We will keep people on the prayer list for one month unless otherwise specified or unless you contact the Peace office to extend the time.

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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