SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER



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Peace Lutheran Church



West Seattle, Washington

Jesus does not abandon his followers. Through the Holy Spirit, Jesus comes to abide with his disciples of every generation. As Pentecost draws near, we are reminded that the risen Christ dwells in us as the Spirit of truth. We receive this Spirit in baptism and pray that in our gathering around the Lord's table the Spirit will transform us to be the body of the risen Christ in the world.

Thank you for joining us for this celebration of Christ's resurrection! Your presence enriches our community.

Our Pass the Hat Partner this month is Camp Lutherwood which is nestled in the evergreen trees along the north shore of Lake Samish about 10 miles South of Bellingham, Washington. Since its beginning in 1946, Lutherwood has been running programs for campers of all ages on 103 acres of beautiful waterfront and forest land. Judy Engh, Interim Executive Director will be here today to fill us in on what is happening at Camp Lutherwood.

+ GATHERING +

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

PRELUDE

Jon Lackey

WELCOME

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.

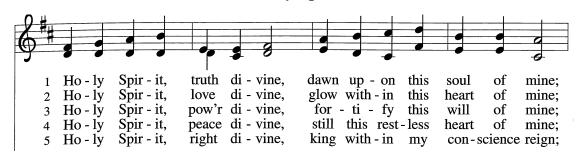
Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister continues.

- 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.

GATHERING HYMN

Holy Spirit, Truth Divine

ELW #398





GREETING

- P The grace of our risen Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray. Almighty and ever- living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

PASS THE HAT

Camp Lutherwoood

Judy Engh

Kathleen Keyes

+ WORD +

FIRST READING: Acts 17:22-31

In Athens, Paul faces the challenge of proclaiming the gospel to Greeks who know nothing of either Jewish or Christian tradition. He proclaims that the "unknown god" whom they worship is the true Lord of heaven and earth who will judge the world with justice through Jesus, whom God has raised from the dead.

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. ²³For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. ²⁶From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, ²⁷so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him--though indeed he is not far from each one of us. ²⁸For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we too are his offspring.'

²⁹Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. ³⁰While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

L Christ is risen! C Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 3:13-22

The author of 1 Peter encourages Christians to remain faithful even in the face of defamation and persecution. In baptism we are made clean to act in accordance with what is right.

Who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? ¹⁴But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, ¹⁵but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; ¹⁶yet do it with gentleness and

reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil.

¹⁸For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, ²⁰who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. ²¹And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you--not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

L Christ is risen!

C Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

CHILDREN'S TIME

Nicole Klinemeier

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION HYMNPlease rise in body or spirit to receive the gospel.Be Not AfraidELW #388



P The Holy Gospel according to John, the 14th Chapter

C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: John 14:15-21

In final words to his disciples on the night of his arrest, Jesus encourages obedience to his commandments and speaks of the Spirit, who will be with them forever.

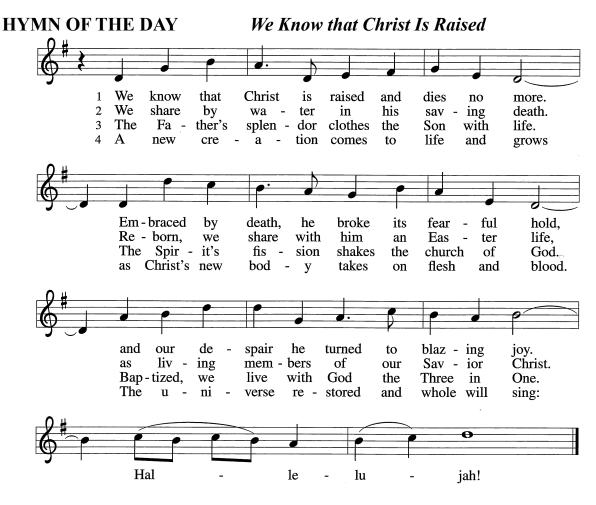
Jesus said to the disciples: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. ¹⁷This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

¹⁸"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. ¹⁹In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. ²⁰On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

P Christ is risen!

C Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

ELW #449



APOSTLES' CREED

- P With the whole church let us confess our faith.
- C I believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 to the dead. 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 to judge the living and the dead. 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. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Laura Bermes

A Gathering as those strengthened by the hope and joy of the resurrection, we bring our prayers to you, O Lord, for your church, your creation, and all people.

Petitions are offered that end with:

A Jesus, our Advocate,

C hear our prayer.

When all petitions have been offered:

- P As risen Lord and Savior continue to lead and guide us by your Spirit so we may rejoice in your presence.
- 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

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



TUNE: BEACHSPRING

OFFERTORY

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

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, off'ring up ourselves in praise; Thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.

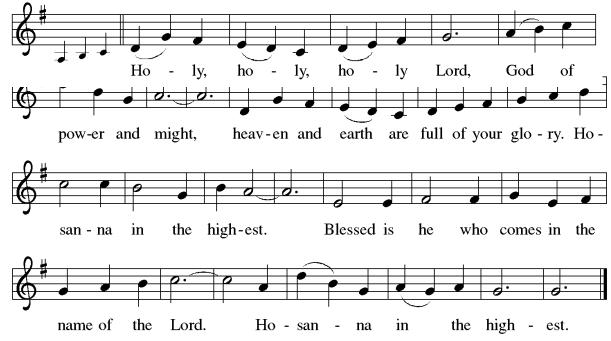
OFFERTORY PRAYER

- 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 Holy, mighty and merciful Lord,

C heaven and earth are full of your glory.

- P In great love you sent us Jesus, your Son, who as the bread of life reached out to heal the sick and suffering,
- C whose very flesh and blood became in person the good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.
- P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
- C Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.
- P Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
- C This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.
- P Remembering that in this bread and wine we receive his life lived for us, his death to redeem us, his resurrection that conquers our death, and his ascension that fills us with hope, we proclaim the mystery of our faith:
- C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- P Feed your children, O God, with the flesh and blood of your Son that, sustained with the bread of heaven, we may serve you with our lives. Make this feast truly a foretaste of the feast to come.
- C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus, come.

- P Pour out your Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen. Come, Holy Spirit, come.
- P Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.
- C Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (ecumenical)

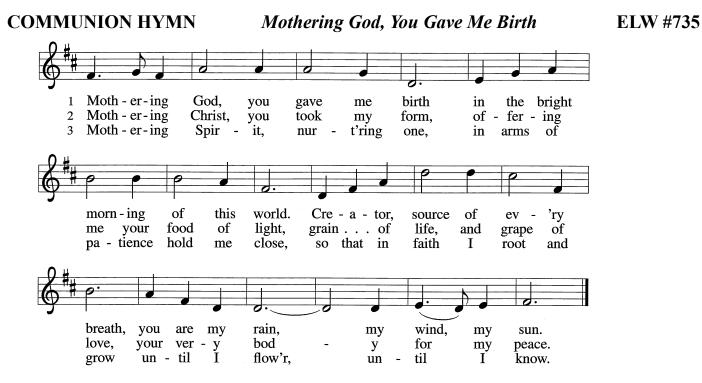
- P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- C Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.
 Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

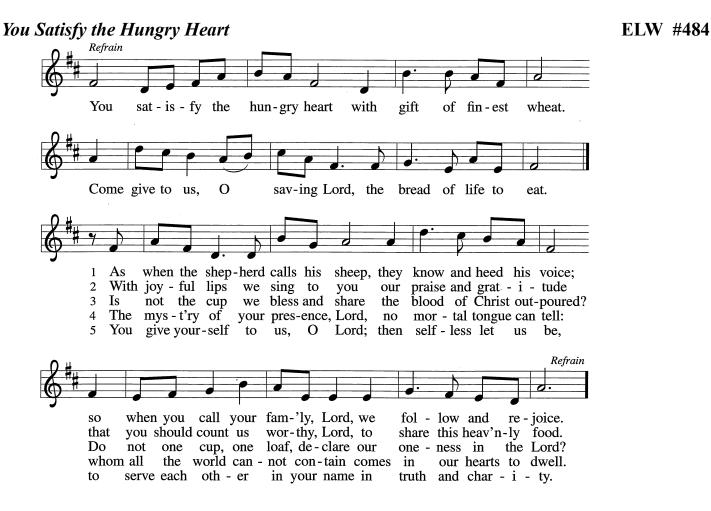
INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

DISTRIBUTION

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.





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.

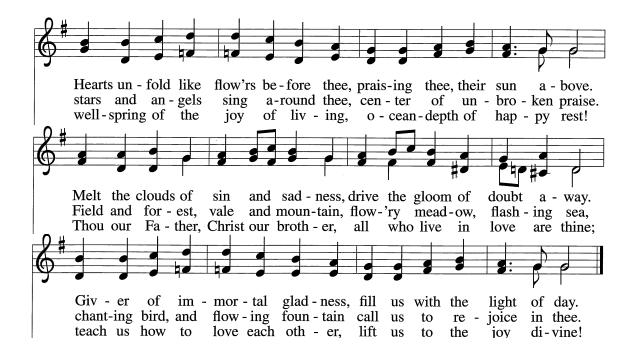
+ SENDING +



Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

ELW #836





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 FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Our mission goal for 2023 anticipates receiving offering income of \$25,819 each month. **Offering Income received MAY 2023**

05/07/23	\$ 3,012.00
Electronic	<u>\$ 2,834.86</u>
Total	\$ 5,846.86

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

Every living creature has a mom so on this Mother's Day, let's honor them all, especially all those recognized Friday on <u>Endangered Species Day</u>. To reduce the pressure on fisheries and critical habitat around the world, try eating a plant-based diet. Even taking into account food miles and other elements, these diets have a lower carbon footprint than *the most* sustainably produced meat diets. <u>The Vegan</u> <u>Society</u> has a wealth of tips for first-timers, noting that "one little switch can help protect our planet." **Pray for Creation**: We pray that our actions are directed toward the healing of the planet so that the whole creation may continue to praise God.

SEATTLE METROPOLITAN SINGERS CONCERT 5/20 3PM

This concert will be at St John the Baptist Episcopal Church - <u>3050 California Ave SW, Seattle</u> (huge free parking lot for West Seattle High School right next to church). They are doing some great and interesting pieces this Spring covering a wide range of topical concerns. Our own Sonja Outlaw will be singing.

HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER JUNE 3 AT 7 PM

Once a year Holden invites Villagers across the globe to come together through participation in the Holden Evening Prayer. This year, we will be celebrating Holden Evening Prayer Around the World on June 3, 2023. Help us kick-off the first week of summer programming by joining us on the first night that Holden Evening Prayer will be sung in the Village for the summer.

Even though geography may separate us, by singing and saying the same words together on the same day, we connect in spirit. May the prayers for peace and justice of the extended Holden community rise up like incense. Peace Lutheran will be hosting Holden Evening Prayer Around the World at 7 pm on Saturday, June 3.

WORSHIP TIME 9:30 AM STARTING JUNE 4

During the summer we switch our worship time to 9:30 am. Starting June 4 and through Labor Day, our worship will start at 9:30 am.

PRAYER LIST

Please continue to remember the sick and home-bound of our congregation and others who have sought our prayers: <u>Sick/Recovering</u>: Kathy Anderson; Arlene; Vonda Cuchine; Marsha Davis; Mark Engelman; Sean Fenton; 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; Pete McIntyre; Eric, Erin, Finley McDonough; Ken McPherson; Jenn Mersing; Steve Metzler; Jim Meyer; Katrina Moore; Bill Morrell; Nora; Marianne Paulos; Paul Paulos; Michelle Pierce; Elaine Ross; Jean Sides; 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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