

SEASON OF PENTECOST



The Israelites Collecting Manna from Heaven, Rudolf von Ems (Austrian, 1200 – 1254)

September 24, 2023

Peace Lutheran Church



West Seattle, Washington

Six weeks into their wilderness journey, with all their food stores used up, the Israelites face their first test. How, they wonder, will we be able to survive? God's answer comes in the form of manna and quail. In the gospel reading Matthew narrates one of Jesus' controversial parables in which Jesus says that the reign of God is like that of a landowner who pays his workers the same wage no matter what time of day they begin work. God is gracious and merciful, abounding in steadfast love. In baptism we receive the grace of God that is freely given to all. As Martin Luther wrote, in the presence of God's mercy we are all beggars.

We celebrate Christ's presence in the Sacrament of the Table each week at Peace. Christ, our Host, meets us in this meal of grace and offers himself, fully embodied, in the bread and wine. He invites all to come and meet him in this Holy Meal.

+ GATHERING +

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME

GATHERING HYMN

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

ELW #461



1 All who hun-ger, gath-er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na is our bread.
2 All who hun-ger, nev - er strang-ers; seek-er, be a wel - come guest.
3 All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.
Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing. Here in joy we keep the feast.
Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here in peace we have been fed.



You that yearn for days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.
We that once were lost and scat - tered in com - mu - nion's love have stood.
Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.
Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.
Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

GREETING

P The grace, the love, and the community of God the Three-in-One be with you all.

C And also with you.

KYRIE

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Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son, ev - 'ry day.



1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for
 hun - gry and the poor; that
 friends and fam - i - ly; for
 wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
 we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
 life and for love, for our work and our play,
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Almighty and eternal God, you show perpetual lovingkindness to us your servants. Because we cannot rely on our own abilities, grant us your merciful judgment, and train us to embody the generosity of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

+ WORD +

FIRST READING: Exodus 16:1-21

Mary Jacob

Faced with hunger in the wilderness, the Israelites longed for life back in Egypt and wished they had never left. Then God miraculously provides quails and manna to eat.

The whole congregation of the Israelites set out from Elim; and Israel came to the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had departed from the land of Egypt. ²The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

⁴Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. ⁵On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." ⁶So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land

of Egypt, ⁷and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because your complaining against the LORD has been heard. For what are we, that you complain against us?" ⁸And Moses said, "When the LORD gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the LORD has heard the complaining that you utter what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the LORD."

⁹Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for the LORD has heard your complaining.' " ¹⁰And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. ¹¹The LORD spoke to Moses and said, ¹²"I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.' " "

¹³In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat." ¹⁶This is what the LORD has commanded: 'Gather as much of it as each of you needs, an omer to a person according to the number of persons, all providing for those in their own tents.'" ¹⁷The Israelites did so, some gathering more, some less. ¹⁸But when they measured it with an omer, those who gathered much had nothing over, and those who gathered little had no shortage; they gathered as much as each of them needed. ¹⁹And Moses said to them, "Let no one leave any of it over until morning." ²⁰But they did not listen to Moses; some left part of it until morning, and it bred worms and became foul. And Moses was angry with them. ²¹Morning by morning they gathered it, as much as each needed; but when the sun grew hot, it melted.

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING: Philippians 1:21-30

Paul writes to the Philippians from prison. Though he is uncertain about the outcome of his imprisonment, he is committed to the ministry of the gospel and calls on the Philippians to live lives that reflect and enhance the gospel mission.

For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well— since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 20th Chapter.
C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: Matthew 20:1-16

Jesus tells a parable about God's generosity, challenging the common assumption that God rewards people according to what they have earned or deserve.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ²After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. ³When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; ⁴and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. ⁵When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. ⁶And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' ⁷They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' ⁸When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' ⁹When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. ¹⁰Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. ¹¹And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹²saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' ¹³But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? ¹⁴Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' ¹⁶ So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

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

HYMN OF THE DAY

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

ELW #588



1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy, like the wide-ness of the sea;
 2 There is wel - come for the sin - ner, and a prom - ised grace made good;
 3 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sures of our mind;
 4 'Tis not all we owe to Je - sus; it is some - thing more than all:



there's a kind - ness in God's jus - tice which is more than lib - er - ty.
 there is mer - cy with the Sav - ior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
 and the heart of the E - ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.
 great - er good be - cause of e - vil, larg - er mer - cy through the fall.



There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than up in heav'n.
 There is grace e - nough for thou - sands of new worlds as great as this;
 But we make this love too nar - row by false lim - its of our own;
 Make our love, O God, more faith - ful; let us take you at your word,



There is no place where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment giv'n.
 there is room for fresh cre - a - tions in that up - per home of bliss.
 and we mag - ni - fy its strict - ness with a zeal God will not own.
 and our lives will be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Paul Bliss

A Remembering the caring and generous works of God, we pray for the church, creation, and the needs of the neighbors.

Petitions are offered that end with:

A Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

When all petitions have been offered:

P Remember us according to your steadfast love as we offer these and the prayers of our heart, trusting in your compassion made known through Jesus Christ.

C Amen.

+ MEAL +

THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

We 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 [Tithely Giving Page](#) via this QR CODE. Whatever size, your gift makes difference—thank you for your support!



OFFERTORY *Please rise as able.*

We Are an Offering

ELW #692

We lift our voic-es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an
of-fer-ing. Lord, use our voic-es, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our
lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing. All that we have, all that we are,
all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.
We lift our voic-es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you:
we are an of-fer-ing, we are an of-fer-ing.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray. God of power, God of plenty,

C **all things belong to you. We bring your gifts to the table, that all might be fed.
Form us into the body of your Beloved, Jesus Christ, our Savior. 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!**

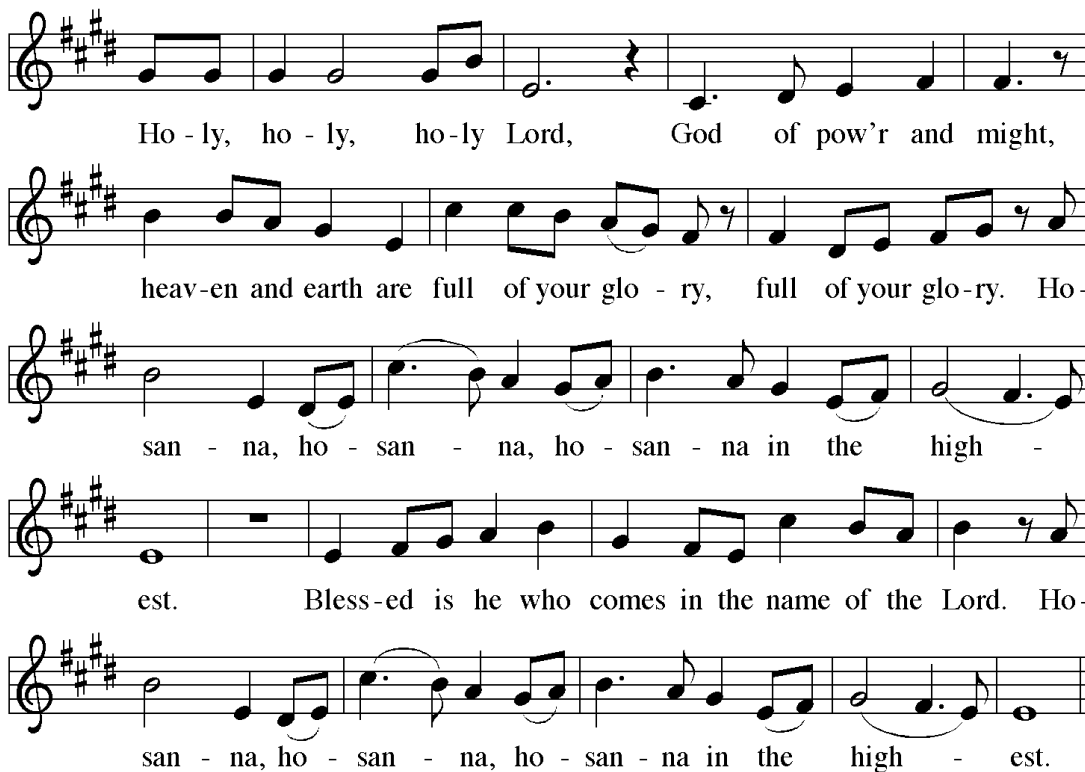
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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, O God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so with earth and sea and all their creatures, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo-ry. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P Holy God, our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food,
You created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.
You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life,
And fed your people Israel with manna from heaven.
You sent your Son to eat with sinners and to become food for the world.

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 By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal:
Strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want,
And by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son,
through whom all glory and honor is yours, Almighty and Altender God,
with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(ecumenical)*

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as 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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Jesus invites you to this table. Come, eat and live.

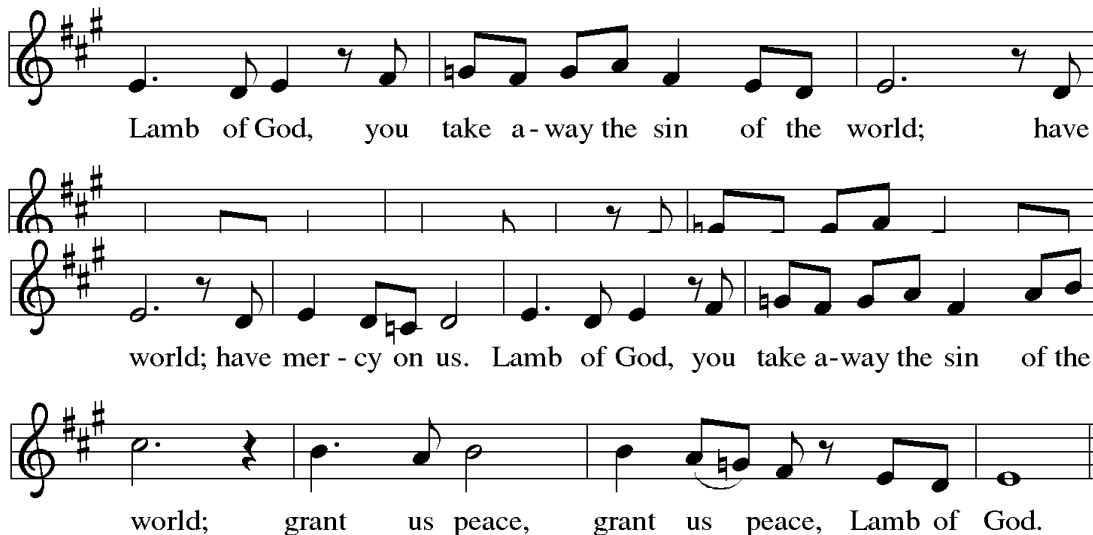
C **Thanks be to God!**

DISTRIBUTION

We commune processsionally. Extend your hands to receive bread. A gluten free wafer is also available. Both wine (dark) and grape juice (light) are available in 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.

LAMB OF GOD

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Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

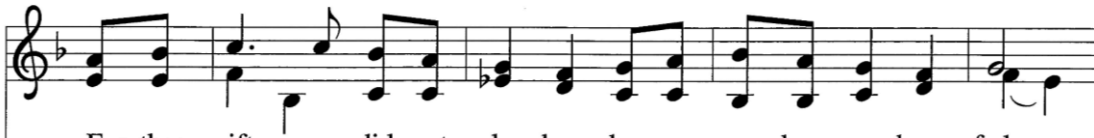
COMMUNION HYMN

By Your Hand You Feed Your People

ELW #469



1 By your hand you feed your peo - ple, food of an - gels, heav-en's bread.
2 In this meal we taste your sweet-ness, bread for hun - ger, wine of peace.
3 Send us now with faith and cour - age to the hun - gry, lost, be - reaved.



For these gifts we did not la - bor, by your grace have we been fed:
Ho - ly word and ho - ly wis - dom sat - is - fy our deep - est needs.
In our liv - ing and our dy - ing, we be - come what we re - ceive:

Refrain



Christ's own bod - y, blessed and bro - ken, cup o'er - flow - ing, life out - poured,



giv - en as a liv - ing to - ken of your world re - deemed, re - stored.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray. Blessed be your name, O God, for we have feasted on your Word, Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts. Strengthened by tis food, send us to gather the world to your banquet, where none are left out and all are satisfied. In Jesus' name we pray.

C Amen.

+ SENDING +

BLESSING

P The Triune God, Creator, + Redeemer, and Guide, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

1 Voic - es raised to you we of - fer; tune them, God, for
 2 All cre - a - tion joins to praise you; earth and sky your
 3 Christ, the song of love in - car - nate, touch - ing earth with
 4 Spir - it, flam - ing through cre - a - tion, kin - dle faith with -
 5 How can an - y praise we of - fer mea - sure all the

songs of praise. Hearts and hands we bring in trib - ute
 works dis - play. Art and mu - sic, gifts you lend us,
 heav - en's grace, for your liv - ing, suf - f'ring, dy - ing,
 in each heart. Lift our voic - es high in cho - rus;
 thanks we owe? Take our hearts and hands and voic - es—

for your gifts through all our days. Al - le - lu - ia!
 we re - turn to you to - day. Al - le - lu - ia!
 for your ris - ing, hear our praise! Al - le - lu - ia!
 through our hands your love im - part. Al - le - lu - ia!
 gifts of love we can be - stow. Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Tri - une God, to you we sing!
 Al - le - lu - ia! God, cre - a - tor, source of life!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Christ, re - deem - er, Lord of life!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Spir - it, help - er, breath of life!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Tri - une God, to you we sing!


A Go in peace. God is at work in you.

C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE



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OUR FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

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

Offering Income received September 2023

09/03/23	\$ 2,025.00
09/10/23	\$ 4,176.00
09/17/23	\$ 454.00
Electronic	\$ 6,473.40
Total	\$13,128.40

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

Vegetarian Awareness Month begins October 1 with World Vegetarian Day and ends November 1 with World Vegan Day. Vegetarian meals are delicious, fast and easy. In fact, studies show that vegetarian diets are statistically higher in vitamins A, B2, C and E, beta carotene, calcium and folate than non-vegetarian diets. Plus, going meatless saves money! Plan Meatless Mondays for the next five weeks and you can Cook for Creation! Find all kinds of recipes to inspire you at <https://www.mondaycampaigns.org/meatless-monday/recipes>.

Pray for Creation: In the face of recent disasters, we pray for God's enlivening Spirit to empower us toward bold action to renew and restore Planet Earth.

PLEASE GIVE TO THE AGAPE FUND

There is less than \$100 in the Agape Fund and most of the gift cards are gone. Pastor Erik uses this fund to help people with grocery/gas cards, rent assistance, filling prescriptions, medical supplies, paying for utilities, and other things they may need. Please donate if you are able.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS NEEDED

We made it through the summer with a skeleton crew. Now that fall is here we are hoping that some of you will be willing to share your gifts and help us out. We are losing some assistants due to college, pregnancy and health issues. What we need the most are communion assistants (older children would be able to do this), ushers, and altar care people to set the Table prior to service and clean it all up afterwards. We also could use more folks to deliver the children's message on occasion. If you or your children are interested in helping out, please let Kathleen in the office know. She can answer any questions you may have about what the duties entail. If you are interested in delivering the children's message, talk to Nicole.

CARING FOR THE EARTH IS CARING FOR THE POOR

Coming up on October 1st is St. Francis of Assisi Sunday, one of PLC's creation-themed services. We are all invited to participate in activities that relate to its emphasis that **environmental justice is social justice**. After worship, activities include enjoying plant-based treats, learning about climate issues, adding to the Creation Tree Banner, and donating and/or participating in The Crop Walk (see Marcia Olson or Nicole Klinemeier). We're also asking for non-perishable food items for The Welcome Table. These can be placed in front of the altar.

CROP WALK FOR HUNGER SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

beginning at Fautleroy UCC at noon. A fund-raiser sponsored by Church World Service; locally, by Fautleroy UCC and St John's Episcopal. 25% of funds raised will go to local food banks! CROP Hunger Walks take place across the world, raising funds and awareness to prevent hunger in the world. We will check in at Fautleroy Church (9140 SW California Ave, 98136) between 12-12:15, pick up signs to carry on our walk, take a group photo, and receive a blessing before we start walking through Lincoln Park. Some will walk from the church and others will drive to the park and walk from there. The distance you walk is up to you. Some will walk around 3 miles round trip. Sign up today!

PRAYER LIST

Please continue to remember the sick and home-bound of our congregation and others who have sought our prayers: Sick/Recovering: Jerry Andersen; Kathy Anderson; Connie Benjamin; Amelia Bliss; Barbara Brocker; Coco & Eric, Penelope Grace; Melanie Coulson; Heidi Coy; Vonda Cuchine; Marsha Davis; Ruth Eilers; Sean Fenton; Betty Fleck; Joe Flint; Marge Flint; Fonseca Family; Brian Ford; Caity Gerhardt; Dawn Gringorten; Jaylin H; Julia H.; Doug Hauger; Howard Heiland; Jerry Heiland; Dave Hemme; Arlene Johnson; Donna Kehle; Ken Keyes; Kristofer Kindem; Noreen Lee; Dee Levy; Jan Madsen; Evelyn Martinez; Chloe McDonough; Eric, Erin, Finley McDonough; Pete McIntyre; Juanita McLemore; Andy McPherson; Kay McPherson; Erin McPherson; Steve Metzler; Bill Morrell; Michelle Pierce; Elaine Ross; Jean Sides; JoAnne Spangler; Sean Stephens; Sarah Taylor; Conrad Tollefson; Judy Wiggins; Patti Wunder.

Homebound: Jim Baker; 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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WAYS TO HELP ON SUNDAY MORNING

Many hands make *incredible* work! Below is a brief overview of the many important (and fun!) roles we rely on Members to fulfill each Sunday morning. We encourage you to identify a role you can embrace and share your talents as often as you are able. Training is quick and easy, and often happens Sunday morning before worship.

Contact the Church Office at office@peacelutheranseattle.org to share your interest. We need your help!

Liturgical Assistant assists the pastor throughout the of the service, including leading the prayers, serving Holy Communion, and other duties as assigned.

Lector reads the Scripture lessons. Readings are sent out the week before, so there is plenty of time to practice some of those tricky ones, like Caiaphas (KAY-uh-fuhs) and Melchizedek (mel-KIH-zuh-dek)!

Children's Message. Each week someone offers a message for the kids based on the Gospel or one of the readings. Lessons are sent the week before, and most prepare a five-minute message.

Greeters. Greeters are instrumental in maintaining our warm, welcoming atmosphere at Peace. Each Sunday, two greeters welcome people coming in. Greeters arrive 30 minutes prior to the start of worship, and once the service starts, they are done!

Ushers handle a variety of simple, but important tasks before and during worship. They hand out the bulletin, count attendance, assist with offering collection and lead people for communion. Ushers are asked to arrive 30 minutes prior to the start of worship.

Coffee servers. This is the role that makes the most friends! Coffee Servers arrive a few minutes early to start the coffee brewing and do some early prep for fellowship after the service. Then as worship is approaching the closing hymn they will step out to get snacks, juice and the coffee bar set up. We ask our Coffee Servers to take the lead on procuring snacks and juice, and during fellowship you can count on being one of the most popular people in the room. ☺

Altar care. These team members are vital to making sure the sanctuary is prepared for worship, including having the correct paraments on the altar and lectern, monitoring candles, preparing for Holy Communion and cleaning up afterward, and other important details. Additional directions and training are provided.

Communion Assistant supports the distribution of wine and grape juice during worship and assists the Liturgical Assistant and Pastor with any needs to ensure communion runs smoothly.

Tech Team. If you've watched our worship livestream, you've experienced the handiwork of our Tech Team. While this role requires a little training, this team ensures the audio, video, Internet broadcast, and YouTube channel are all in sync and that participants in worship are have the right mics or other tools they need to ensure our online viewers have a great experience. Tech Team members arrive 15 minutes early and stay through the end of the service.

There are sign up sheets in the Narthex for those roles where help is needed.