

# Peace Lutheran Church



# West Seattle, Washington

Our first reading highlights how quickly the Israelites lose faith in God and Moses. In spite of this, Moses advocates before God on their behalf. In Jesus' parable about a great banquet, those invited do not come, so the invitation is extended to others. In our liturgy God spreads a table before us. Even amid anxiety and hardship we rejoice in the peace of God which surpasses all understanding.

We welcome <u>Rev. Pam Russell</u> today as Preacher/Presider while
Pastor Erik Kindem is away for the final confirmation retreat.
Our Pass the Hat Partner this month is Maji Development Coalition (MDC).
Executive Director <u>Carolyn Kurtz</u> will be here to give us an update.
MDC has been supplying solar lanterns and water to the poorest areas of Ethiopia.

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



#### **GREETING**

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

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### PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray. Lord of the feast, you have prepared a table before all peoples and poured out your life with abundance. Call us again to your banquet. Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure, and transform us into people of righteousness and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

PASS THE HAT

Maji Development Coalition

Carolyn Kurtz

## + WORD +

#### FIRST READING: Exodus 32:1-14

Janet Cruse

After Israel sinned by worshiping the golden calf, Moses interceded with God to spare Israel, lest the Egyptians conclude that God had evil intents in the exodus. Moses reminds God of the promises God made to Israel's matriarchs and patriarchs.

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the LORD." They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

<sup>7</sup>The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; 8they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. <sup>10</sup>Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation." 11But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? <sup>12</sup>Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. <sup>13</sup>Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever." <sup>14</sup>And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

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

## **SECOND READING: Philippians 4:1-9**

Though writing from prison and facing an uncertain future, Paul calls on the Philippians to rejoice and give thanks to God no matter what the circumstance. God's peace is with us and binds together our hearts and minds in Jesus Christ, especially when things around us do not seem peaceful.

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

<sup>2</sup>I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. <sup>3</sup>Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of

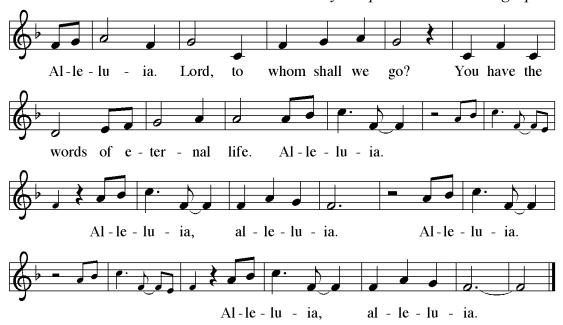
the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

<sup>4</sup>Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. <sup>5</sup>Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup>Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. <sup>7</sup>And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

<sup>8</sup>Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. <sup>9</sup>Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Please rise in body or spirit to receive the gospel ELW page 188



- P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 22nd Chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

#### **GOSPEL: Matthew 22:1-4**

Jesus tells a parable indicating that the blessings of God's kingdom are available to all, but the invitation is not to be taken lightly.

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: <sup>2</sup>"The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. <sup>3</sup>He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. <sup>4</sup>Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' <sup>5</sup>But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, <sup>6</sup>while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. <sup>7</sup>The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. <sup>8</sup>Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is

ready, but those invited were not worthy. <sup>9</sup>Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' <sup>10</sup>Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

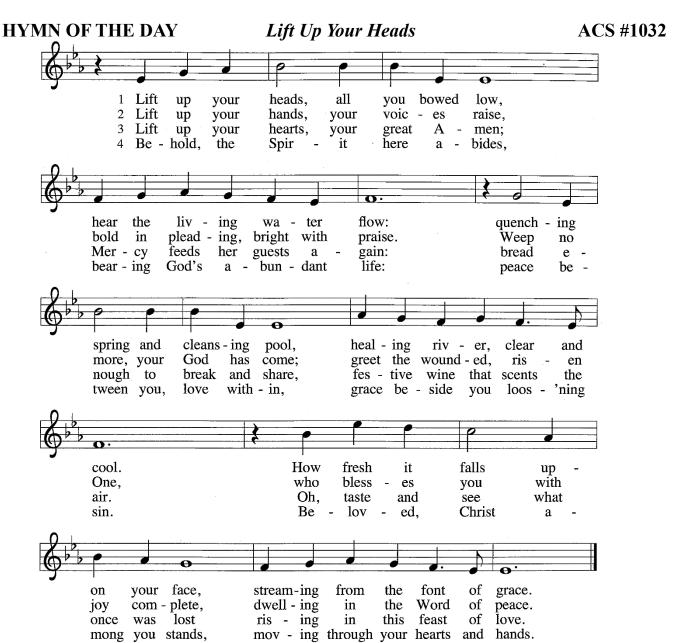
<sup>11</sup>"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, <sup>12</sup>and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. <sup>13</sup>Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' <sup>14</sup>For many are called, but few are chosen."

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

#### **CHILDREN'S TIME**

Pastor Pam

SERMON Rev. Pam Russell



#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Larry Cruse

A Trusting in the transformative power of God's loving Spirit, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

Petitions are offered that end with:

- A God of grace,
- C hear our prayer.

When all petitions have been offered:

- P Gracious God, into your hand we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your unending love and amazing grace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- 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 <u>Tithely Giving Page</u> via this QR CODE. Whatever size, your gift makes difference—thank you for your support!



**OFFERTORY** *Please rise as able.* 





#### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

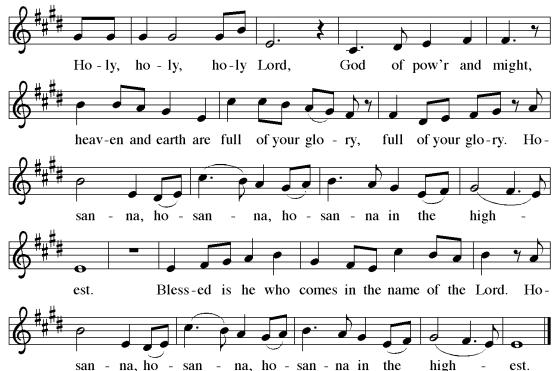
- A Let us pray. God of power, God of plenty,
- C all things belong to you. We bring your gifts to the table, that all might be fed. Form us into the body of your Beloved—Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

#### 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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#### **EUCHARISTIC 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,

You fed your people Israel with manna from heaven and taught them how to live.

You sent your Son to eat with sinners and to become food for the world.

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.
- C Amen.

### 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.

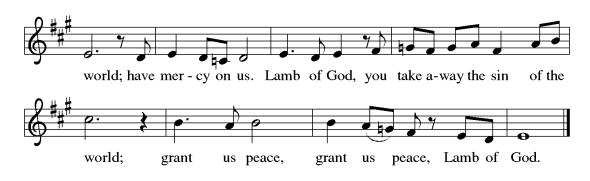
#### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

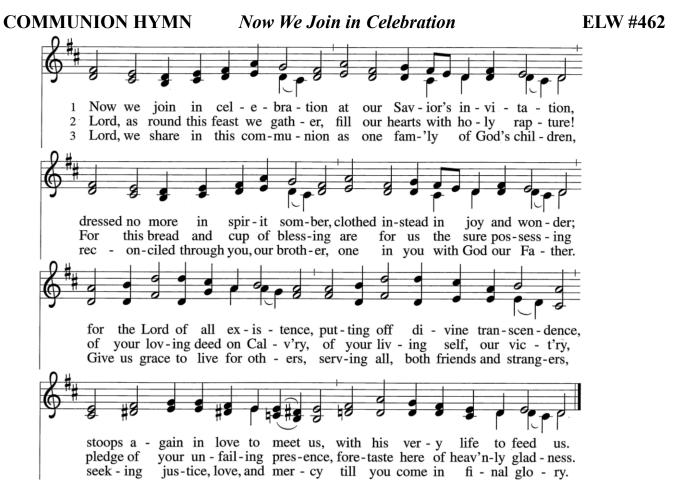
- P Jesus invites you to this table. Come, eat and live.
- C Thanks be to God!

#### DISTRIBUTION

Today we commune at the rail. Please come forward and find a place, kneeling or standing. Gluten free bread is 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 first pew on your way back to your seat. 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. 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.

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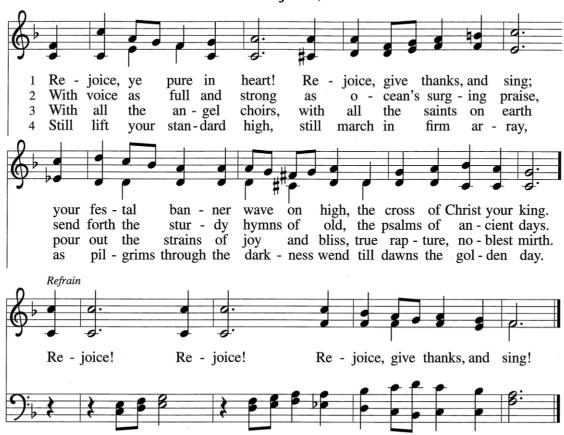
#### **BLESSING**

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

#### **SENDING HYMN**

### Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

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- 5 At last the march shall end; the wearied ones shall rest; the pilgrims find their home at last, Jerusalem the blest. *Refrain*
- 6 Praise God who reigns on high, the Lord whom we adore: the Father, Son, and Spirit blest, one God forevermore. *Refrain*
- 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 October 2023

 10/01/23
 \$ 1,080.00

 10/08/23
 \$ 2,792.00

 Electronic
 \$ 2,680.30

 Total
 \$ 6,552.30

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

Cheese lasts best unsliced and wrapped in wax paper, parchment paper or butcher paper. Firm cheeses destined for cooking also freeze well. Just thaw them in the refrigerator. You'll be reducing food waste *and* replacing plastic wraps with a more sustainable option.

**Pray for Creation:** As we encounter the changing seasons, we ask the Creator to make us constant in taking actions that bring healing rather than damage to the Earth.

## **TODAY OCTOBER 15, PASS THE HAT: MDC**

(Maji Development Coalition) with guest Carolyn Kurtz, Executive Director. Carolyn writes: "Thank you for the support you have given to the people of Maji, in remote Ethiopia. MDC had a great year, full of successes, as supply chains and other hurdles got sorted out. We distributed 500 more solar lanterns to children in the poorest homes. They will have light to do their homework, but their whole families will also benefit from having light in the home at night. And our huge, ambitious project--bringing safe water to 2000 people in several rural communities--is operational as of September. This will save people from debilitating waterborne diseases, especially children and the elderly. The new gravity-fed system will also save the backs of women, who have had to hike steep trails to bring water back for family use. As Ato Markos, our program director said, "MDC is like a miracle to us!" In the coming year we will focus on the women's co-ops, and join with the local church to develop for a Women's Empowerment Center in Maji town.

## THANK YOU FOR AGAPE FUNDS

Thank you all those who contributed to the Agape Fund. We now have over \$2,000+ in the fund to help those in need, thanks to your generosity

### WHITE CENTER FOOD BANK FUND RAISING PARTY 10/21

On **Saturday, October 21**, join White Center Food Bank for an exciting <u>Capital Campaign Fundraiser</u>, with exclusive tours of our new facility prior to the event! This special celebration features delicious food from White Center restaurants, amazing speakers, great music, a silent auction and more. The event is being held at White Center Eagles 10452 15<sup>th</sup> Ave SW.

Each ticket includes appetizers provided by Sap Sap Lao Cafe and Patrick's Cafe and Bakery, plus a drink ticket.

Tours of the new food bank will be from 2:30-4pm and the event will be from 4-6pm. Shuttles will be provided by KC Metro to and from the event space and the new food bank. The address for the new food bank is 10016 16<sup>th</sup> Ave SW.

### **QUILT BLESSING 10/22**

The Peace Lutheran Church Peace Piecers are holding their blessing of quilts on Sunday, October 22. These quilts, adult and baby size, will be given to Lutheran World Relief and Westside Baby in November. Lutheran World Relief distributes thousands of quilts each year, made in the U.S., to countries that need help for their people. Westside Baby, here in West Seattle, gives hundreds of layettes to poor women each year, all of which include a blanket or quilt. We welcome anyone who would like to join us in this ministry—you don't have to know how to sew, as we only assemble the quilts at our meetings. We meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays each month, from 9 am to noon.

### CAMP LUTHERWOOD WORK DAYS! 10/22-23

If you are interested in volunteering, we will be having work parties on **October 20-22.** Can you join us? There will be a variety of different projects to suit many volunteer skills.

Not into heavy lifting? Not a worry! If you can clean, shine, paint, pound, lift, move, nail, sort or cheer - we have a spot for you!

We are offering free accommodation to anyone who needs it and lunch will be provided on Saturday the 21st. Other meals may also be provided depending on the numbers. We will be providing lunch on the 21st and other meals may be available depending on interest. **REGISTER HERE!** 

## SW YOUTH & FAMILY NIGHT OF GIVING 10/26 @ 6 PM



Mark your calendars and join us on October 26<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM at the Foundry in SODO! Join the fun with friends and family while learning about the work Southwest Youth and family Services is doing to remove barriers to our community's success and sustainability caused by systemic and economic inequities!

Enjoy a night of philanthropy as we gather to celebrate the power of giving and make a lasting impact on the lives of Youth and Families in Southwest King County. Every dollar raised will go towards our vision to enable all residents of southwest King County flourish and actively participate in the success of the community. There will be dessert dash, drinks, dinner, and more!

## 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; Barbara Brocker; Melanie Coulson; Heidi Coy; Marsha Davis; Ruth Eilers; Sean Fenton; Joe Flint; Marge Flint; Caity Gerhardt; Sandy Goodale; Dawn Gringorten; Dave Hemme; Ken Keyes; Dee Levy; Evelyn Martinez; Eddie McDaniel; Chloe McDonough; Eric, Erin, Finley McDonough; Pete McIntyre; Ken McPherson; Erin McPherson; Steve Metzler; Bill Morrell; Penelope Grace; Michelle Pierce; Irma Runge; David Salazar; JoAnne Spangler; Sean Stephens; Sarah Taylor; Judy Wiggins; Patti Wunder.

**<u>Homebound</u>**: Jim Baker; Connie Benjamin; Lee Lamson; Dorothy Linnell; Jan Madsen

<u>We express our Christian sympathy</u> to the McPherson family and Kathleen Fueger on the death of her aunt, Kay McPherson on 10/8/23 and to the Andersen family on the death of Jerry Andersen, Carrol Andersen's brother-in-law.

**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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