

Peace Lutheran Church



West Seattle, Washington

Wisdom prepares a feast, sets her table, and invites all to come and eat her bread and drink her wine. The first chapter of John's gospel owes much to the biblical tradition that imagined Wisdom as existing before anything was created and having a role in the work of creation. Christ, the wisdom of God (1 Cor. 1:24), today invite us to eat his flesh and drink his blood. John's gospel includes no account of the institution of the Lord's supper, but here we can't help hearing Jesus' words as an invitation to the meal of bread and wine we share.

Today we will celebrate Holy Communion. Christ is the host of this meal of grace and offers himself fully, body and blood, in the bread and wine.

All are welcome to meet him at the Table.

+ GATHERING +

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

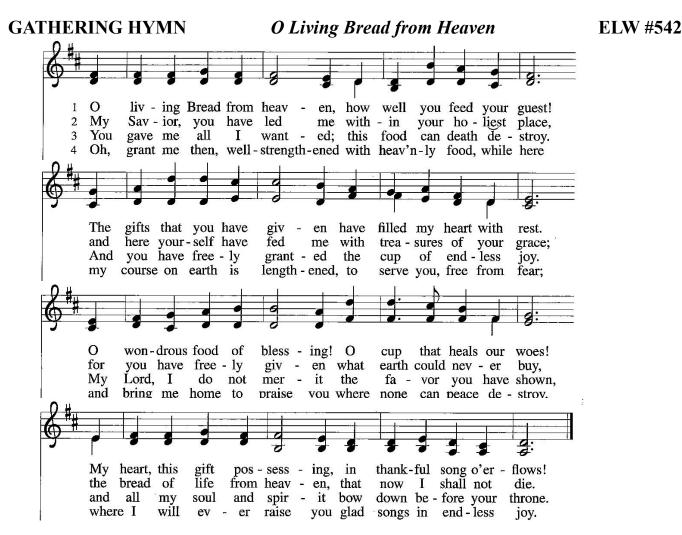
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Janet Cruse, Jon Lackey PIANO DUET

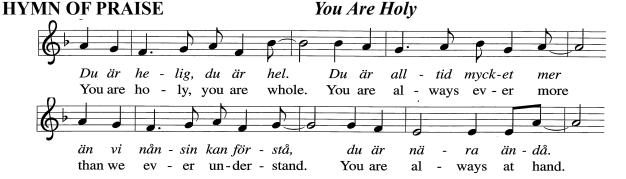
ELW #525

WELCOME



GREETING

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





PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray. Ever-loving God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world. Fill us with such a knowledge of his presence that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life to serve you continually, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

+ WORD +

READING: Proverbs 9:1-6

Scott Sunde

Wisdom is portrayed as a woman who invites people to partake of her banquet.

Just as ordinary food is necessary for physical life, Wisdom's food—insight and understanding—
is necessary for fullness of life with God. Partaking of Wisdom's banquet is the way to life.

Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn her seven pillars.

²She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table.

³She has sent out her servant girls, she calls from the highest places in the town,

⁴ "You that are simple, turn in here!" To those without sense she says,

⁵ "Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed.

⁶Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight."

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Please rise in body or spirit to receive the gospel.



- P The Holy Gospel according to John, the 6th Chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: John 6:51-58

In John's gospel, the feeding of the five thousand leads to extended teaching in which Jesus identifies himself as the true bread of life. Finally, in these verses, he makes a connection that would not be understood until after his death, in light of the church's celebration of the eucharist.

[Jesus said,] ⁵¹ "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

⁵²The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" ⁵³So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; ⁵⁵for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

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

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CHILDREN'S TIME

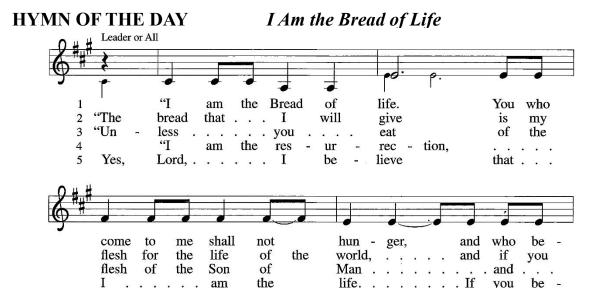
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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Chris Kindem

A Calling on the spirit of Wisdom to guide our hearts and our minds, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

Petitions are offered that end with:

A Merciful God,

C receive our prayer.

When all petitions have been offered:

- P We lift up these prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them into your holy keeping.
- 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 greeting of peace with those around us.

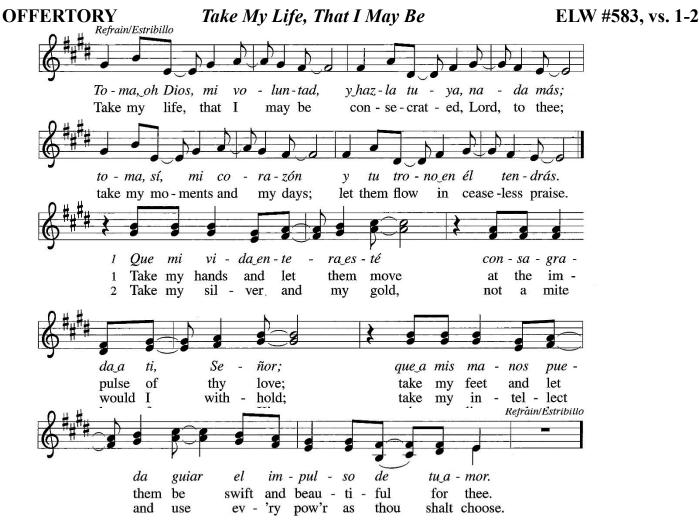
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OFFERING

Your financial gifts today support the ongoing ministry of our congregation, cooperative ventures of ELCA congregations throughout Western Washington, and Evangelical Lutheran ministries around the world. We invite you to give generously! You can place your gift in the offering plate, can mail in a check, or connect to our secure <u>Tithely Giving Page</u> via this QR CODE. Whatever size, your gift makes a difference—thank you for your support!



ANNOUNCEMENTS



OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life:
- C you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. 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, almighty and altender God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

- P In the night he shared his final meal with his disciples, 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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (ecumenical)

P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we pray the prayer Jesus taught us.

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.

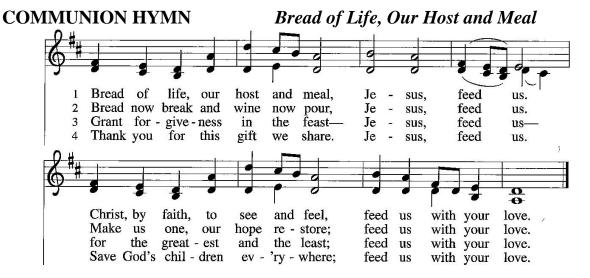
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- P Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!
- 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.



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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- A Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.
- C Amen.

+ SENDING +

BLESSING

- P The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, + be upon you now and forever.
- C Amen.



DISMISSAL

- A Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
- C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Rondeau

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OUR FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

At the Congregational Meeting on February 4, we embraced a plan for funding our mission in 2024. That plan anticipates offering income averaging \$26,477 monthly. Thank you for your gifts which support God's mission at Peace, in the larger community, and internationally through the ELCA!

Offering Income received August 2024

 08/04/24
 \$ 4,200.00

 08/11/24
 \$ 2,350.00

 Electronic
 \$ 6,348.35

 Total
 \$12,898.35

Heating campaign total received to date: \$29,425 Our campaign goal is: \$35,000

THIS WEEK'S ACT FOR CREATION

Protect our watershed by taking your car to a car wash. According to the International Car Wash Association, washing a car at home uses 80-140 gallons of water while a car wash uses only 45 gallons. All that water drains from your home driveway into the storm drain and then straight into the Sound. At a car wash, it drains into sewer systems as required by federal law. That's important because that water contains far more than just dirt, dust and potentially toxic soap. It can be contaminated with heavy metals such as copper from brake pads and zinc from tires, not to mention residue from exhaust fumes, gasoline and motor oils.

Pray for Creation: When we are discouraged by the ecological crises that imperil our planet, we ask God to renew our desire to live in harmony with all creation.

NEXT WEEK: SERVICE IN THE PARK AUGUST 25

We are coming together for worship on Sunday, August 25th in Lincoln Park Shelter #1 at 9:30. A potluck is planned for after the service. There will not be a service at the church that day. However, the Tech Team will provide a livestream of the service. To make this event happen we need helpers to set up for the service and potluck.

Sign-up to Help A sign-up sheet is available in the narthex or send an email to Alan Jarvimaki (jarvimaki@comcast.net) to volunteer.

Here are the sign-up tasks.

- At 7:45 Sunday morning, help load 4 tables and 20 chairs onto a truck (which will be at the church) and then unload them at the park.
- Pick up 5 music stands from the church and deliver them to the park.
- At 8:30, set up tables and chairs at the park.
- Cover the picnic tables with cloths that are provided.
- Assist people with parking.
- Greet people and direct them to Shelter #1.
- As food items arrive at the park, organize them on the picnic tables.
- Clean up the shelter area after the picnic.
- Return the tables, chairs, and music stands to church.

THE DETAILS

WHEN: Sunday, August 25, worship at 9:30, with potluck picnic to follow

WHERE: Lincoln Park, Shelter #1 on the upper level under the trees at the south end of the park **PARKING**: Use the south parking lot, or park on the street; from the parking lot, follow the path that veers slightly to the right; this will lead to the shelter

WHAT TO BRING: Food to share and a utensil for serving; lawn chairs or blankets if you have them (we will have extra chairs also)

WHAT WILL BE PROVIDED: Compostable plates, cups, napkins, and tableware HOW CAN YOU HELP: Many hands are needed, so consider volunteering to help.

SCHOOL YEAR COMING UP SOON!!

That means school supplies! Peace's Social Ministry Team is inviting you to consider some donations options again this year:

- Purchase backpacks and/or any kind of supplies needed in the classroom --pens, notebooks, rulers, hand sanitizer, etc. and bring them to our narthex from August 15 <u>until Labor Day weekend</u> -- <u>September 1.</u>
- Donate money to Peace Lutheran Church/school supplies -- these funds will be used to purchase needed items for a local school.
- Send checks to the Seattle Times School-Supply Drive, PO Box C-11025, Seattle WA 98111. Funds will be distributed to Hopelink, YWCA Seattle-King-Snohomish and the Seattle/King County Coalition on Homelessness -- they will purchase the essentials and give to kids in need.

All of these options work well -- but families with children might choose to involve the kiddos in purchase and display at church. Let's help Seattle children start off another school year with a new backpack and essential supplies!! Thank you! Social Ministry Team

SAVE THE DATE FOR GOD'S WORK OUR HANDS 9/7 or 9/14

This year Peace will be participating in the <u>Habitat for Humanity Interfaith Build Project</u> in South Park on Saturday, 9/14 to participate in the build activities; we will be supplying the meal on Saturday, 9/7. The Interfaith Build is a cherished tradition, started over 20 years ago in memory of September 11th, aiming to bring together faith communities in both love and action. This project celebrates our unity, demonstrating that together we're stronger and can achieve great things, including addressing our regional housing crisis.

This project is happening on September 6, 7, 13, and 14. If you cannot participate with Peace on the 7th or 14th, you can sign up on one of the other days as an individual. Everyone needs to register individually, even if you are going with Peace as a group. The link is below.

Project Dates: September 6, 7, 13, and 14, 2024

Location: Yarrow Cottages, South Park

Volunteer Opportunities:

• **Build Activities:** Groups of 5-8 people per faith tradition. Building volunteers must be at least 16 years old. All tools, safety equipment, and supervision will be provided.

• **Provide a Meal:** Peace will be providing the meal on 9/7, and <u>Nicole will be sending out more</u> information about this.

• **Get Involved:** To express your interest or for more information, please contact James O'Farrell at jamesofarrell@hotmail.com or call (425) 941-7175.

REGISTER HERE: https://www.habitatskc.org/interfaithbuild/ or use this QR code. **Registration deadline is one week before the event**. On this link there is a short promotional video done by Pastor Erik, Larry and Janet Cruse and Rabbi Allison Flash.

PRAYER LIST

Please continue to remember the sick and home-bound of our congregation and others who have sought our prayers: Sick/Recovering: Carrol Andersen; Cay Bell; Deric Bevier; Jan Burt; Ixchela Castaneda; Jeff & Dolly Chale; Mike & Marsha Davis; MaryAnne DeVry; Joe Flint; Bob Gaines; Verna Hernandez; Maria Iriarte; Sandy Kaduce; Mark Kindem; Peter Dion Kindem; Ken Keyes; Evelyn Martinez; Pete & Kelly McIntyre; Steve Metzler; Bill Morrell; Michelle Pierce; Joey Roberts; JoAnne Spangler; Pat Spangler; Nancy Spannaus; Sean Stephens; Sarah Taylor; Michele Tomseth; Pam Webber; Bishop Shelley Bryan Wee; Roger Wingfield.

<u>Homebound</u>: Connie Benjamin; Lu Kramer; Marjorie Johnson; Jan Madsen

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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