

Peace Lutheran Church



West Seattle, Washington



The fifth Sunday after Epiphany continues to highlight unlikely instruments and circumstances appointed to reveal God's glory. "Who will go for us?" God asks. A person of unclean lips, a former persecutor of the church of God, and three fisherman who couldn't catch a thing.

More surprising still, perhaps, is that we are also called.

Our Pass the Hat Partner this month is Faith Action Network. Today Dr. Joyce del Rosario, Executive Director will be with us to give an update on what is happening.

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS *Please rise in body or spirit.*

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, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life.
- C Amen.
- P Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P Merciful God,
- C you speak blessing and compassion into the world.

Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference:

ignoring the needs of our neighbors;

resisting your call to oppose injustice;

giving in to scarcity and fear;

assuming the worst about one another.

Cleanse us from our faults and release us from captivity

to mindsets aligned with selfish purposes rather than your purposes.

Show us your lovingkindness.

Restore our hearts and turn us toward the repair of your world, that we may be true disciples of Christ and follow him on the Way. Amen.

- P Sisters and brothers, God proclaims these words of assurance to us:
 - "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you.

I have called you by name. You are mine."

In + Christ, you are forgiven.

In the Spirit, you are set free.

Refreshed by the waters of mercy, live anew as God's beloveds!

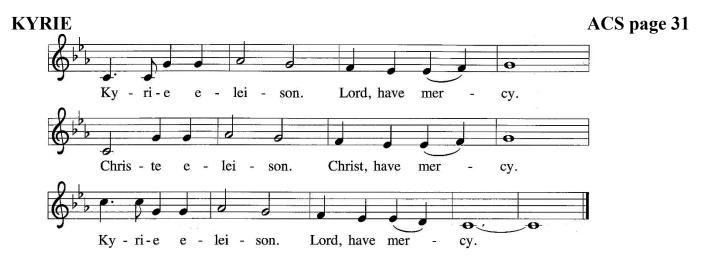
C Living with hope we claim God's mercy, and pledge to pay it forward.

Thanks be to God! Amen.



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.



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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray. Most holy God, the earth is filled with your glory, and before you angels and saints stand in awe. Enlarge our vision to see your power at work in the world, and by your grace make us heralds of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

PASS THE HAT

Faith Action Network

Dr. Joyce del Rosario

+ WORD +

FIRST READING: Isaiah 6:1-8

Larry Cruse

Through a vision in the temple, the eight-century prophet Isaiah is called by God to announce judgement against Israel. Aware of his sinfulness and shortcomings, Isaiah is initially hesitant.

But when God calls, Isaiah responds, "Here I am; send me."

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ²Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings:

with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." ⁴The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke.

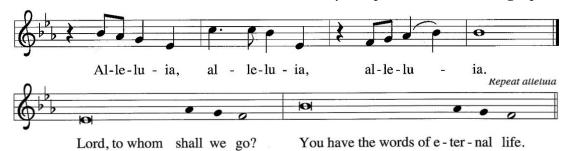
⁵And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" ⁶Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." ⁸Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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

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- P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 5th chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL: Luke 5:1-11

Jesus' teaching of God's word has begun to draw great crowds. For Simon, James, and John, Jesus' teaching inspires hospitality, then obedience, and then risk. After Jesus' creative power is revealed, fear and amazement leads these three fisherman to leave everything behind to become apostles.

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, ²he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. ⁴When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." ⁵Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." ⁶When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. ⁷So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" ⁹For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; ¹⁰and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." ¹¹When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

L The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ

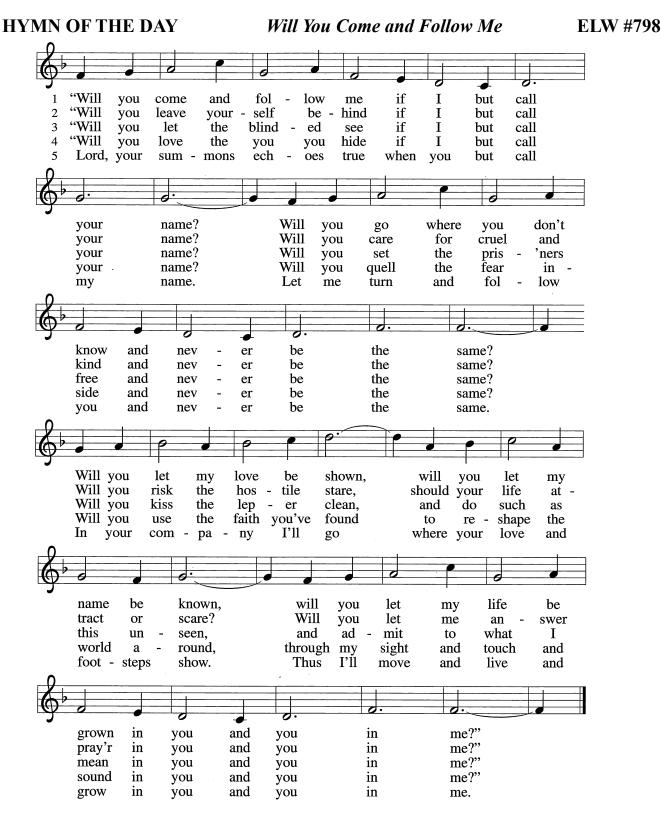
CHILDREN'S TIME

Nicole Klinemeier

SERMON

Laura Bermes

Time for reflection



PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Paul Bliss

A With the Spirit of Christ shining on us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all creation.

Petitions are offered, ending with the response:

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

When all petitions have been offered:

- P We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.
- C Amen.



SHARING THE PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

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OFFERTORY HYMN

Take My Life that I May Be

ELW #583

Refrain: Take my life that I may be consecrated Lord to thee;
Take my moments and my days let them flow in ceaseless praise

- 1. Take my hands and let them move, at the impulse of thy love; Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee. *Refrain*
- 2. Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold; Take my intellect and use ev'ry pow'r as thou shall choose. *Refrain*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A Let us pray. God of grace,
- C your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always. 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 merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. In the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son, and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. 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:



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EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (ecumenical)

- P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, we pray the prayer of Jesus:
- 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 The table is set. Come, taste and see the goodness of the Lord.
- 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 *Please rise in body or spirit.*

- Let us pray. Nourishing God, at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink. Strengthen us for service, and send us out to embody your good news of liberation and healing for the sake of the world. In the name of Christ we pray.
- \mathbf{C} Amen.

+ SENDING +

BLESSING

- God who names you, Christ who claims you, And the Holy Spirit who dwells in you, + bless you now and always.
- Amen.

SENDING HYMN

How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord

ELW #580



- How clear is our vo - ca - tion, Lord, when once we heed your call
- if, for-get-ful, we should find your yoke is hard to bear; mar vel how your saints be come in hin-dranc-es more sure; But
- We
- what you give us, Lord, to do, to - geth - er



live ac-cord-ing to your word and dai - ly learn, re-freshed, re - stored, world-ly pres-sures fray the mind and love it - self can - not un - wind whose joy - ful vir - tues put to shame the ca - sual way we wear old rou-tines or ven-tures new, may we not cease to look



DISMISSAL

- Go in peace. Live in hope.
- Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE



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THIS WEEK'S ACT FOR CREATION

Did January's cold snaps have you rethinking your home heating system? If so, consider a high-efficiency heat pump, which can lower your heating costs by 25-50% compared to standard electric heating systems, according to Seattle City Light (SCL). Plus, they'll cool your home in summer! Still heating with oil? SCL offers a \$2,000 instant rebate when converting to a qualified heat pump system installed by a participating contractor. Learn more at

https://www.seattle.gov/city-light/residential-services/home-energy-solutions#heatpumps.

Pray for Creation: When nature's bounty becomes hostage to those who would use it for greed and domination, we ask the Creator to give us the courage to ask ourselves how we will respond to these perilous threats to the Earth.

OFFERING STATEMENTS AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX

Year end giving statements are available in the narthex. Please pick yours up even if you don't need it. This will help save stamps.

SOCIAL MINISTRY STRATEGY SESSION 2/11 @ 4 PM

Actions by the Trump administration—the pause on refugee resettlement, the deportation threats being carried out by ICE, the pause of funding of USAID contracts, and others—have thrown millions of people into chaos and uncertainty. How are we being called to love of our neighbors in this context? The Social Ministry Team is holding a strategy session that can guide us as we collectively seek to respond to these and other developments. The session will be held on February 11 @ 4pm via ZOOM. If you would like to join, please let Marcia Olson know.

REGION ONE ONLINE FORUM RE: IMMIGRATION 2/12

An online forum on immigration will be held on February 12 @ 6:30pm via ZOOM

Considering the new Trump Administration directives limiting congregational rights to offer sanctuary for our immigrant neighbors, and our position as a faith community rooted in biblical admonitions to accompany the stranger, we highly encourage you to participate in a Region 1 online forum discussing protections for churches, organizations and individuals and how we might know our rights and/or rise up to be sanctuaries for our most vulnerable. We are grateful to be joined by immigration experts, including leaders from Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon and Lutheran Community Services NW. Please invite any other key leaders you know, of any denomination.

Registration required. Free. Register here: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/azM5gsIyTZm79SjOnaVgbw

SEATTLE GIVING GARDEN TRAINING 2/15/25

Seattle Giving Gardens Network is offering training for volunteers who would like to help in the greenhouse at Heron's Nest (here in West Seattle) growing sprouts to be given to growers later in the year. Training is February 15th, 2025. Trainees are then able to elect to sign up for shifts tending sprouts in the greenhouse until the sprout giveaway in Spring. If you are interested in the training, send an email to info@sggn.com with the subject line, "Interested in training for Heron's Nest Sprouts". Seattle Giving Garden Network web site: https://www.sggn.org/

RESISTANCE TRAINING 2/17 10AM-12PM

U District location. An opportunity for next-step nonviolent direct action training, sponsored by Lutheran Campus Ministry at UW, University Congregational UCC, and the Organizing for Mission Network. It is open to all who want to take their direct action skills to the next level, from informational to boots-on-the-ground. Our leader for the day, Rev. Osagyefo Sekou (he/him) from Valley and Mountain UMC, has been teaching and leading "militant nonviolent direct action" for social and political change for many years. He will have us up and moving, ready to protest and step in appropriately when needed.

This 2-hour workshop is FREE and requires advanced registration. Please register at the link below or use the QR code. Childcare will be provided. Contact Pastor Chelsea Globe (pastor@uwlutherans.org) if you have any questions. Location and agenda will be sent after registration. https://forms.gle/JCqpY6xBYa3wb45X8

TABLE RUNNERS NEEDED FOR SYNOD ASSEMBLY

The Northwest Washington Synod Assembly is just around the corner - and we need the help of the synod's crafty creatives! The theme for our upcoming in-person synod assembly (Friday & Saturday, May 16 & 17) is "Woven Into God's Story." With a theme like this, the décor practically plans itself! We need 50 table runners (approx. 12" x 72-120") to decorate the tables at our upcoming Synod Assembly. We know we have talent all over the synod, will you share that with us? The table runners can be any combination of colors (great use of scrap fabric and yarn).

Please contact Kathy Fisher (<u>kathy@salc.church</u>) if you/your congregation can supply a few runners. Let Kathy know how many you are willing to create! There will be special recognition for our artists at the event. We need to have them in hand by May 1st. (Discuss with Kathy if you would like to pick them up at the end of the assembly - or donate them for additional uses in the synod.)

PRAYER LIST

Please continue to remember the sick and home-bound of our congregation and others who have sought our prayers: Sick/Recovering: Rich Albers; Carrol Andersen; Brittany Baker; Marlen Boivin; Bailey Byam; Deric Bevier; Jan Burt; Jeff & Dolly Chale; Mike & Marsha Davis; MaryAnne DeVry; Georgine Epley; Jeffry Epley; Jackie Farah; Bob Gaines; Ann Gault; Jon Gault; Caity Gerhardt; Diana Heiland; Donna Heiland; Jerry Heiland; Verna Hernandez; Ellen Heritage; Maria Iriarte; Alan Jarvimaki; Sandy Kaduce; Donna Kehle; Ken Keyes; Kari Kindem; Peter Dion Kindem; Jan Madsen; Kyle Madsen; Evelyn Martinez; Pete & Kelly McIntyre; Steve Metzler; Bill Morrell; Michelle Pierce; Victor Siders; Aaden Smith; Nancy Spannaus; Doug Sprague; Dave Stansbury; Sean Stephens; Kaity Streit; Mark Swanson; Sarah Taylor; Michele Tomseth; Pam Webber; Roger Wingfield.

Homebound: Connie Benjamin; Lu Kramer; Marjorie Johnson; Inta Zagars

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 recognize that our congregation is strengthened by diversity, the embrace of equity, and our commitment to anti-racism. We

welcome and celebrate the inclusion of those of any race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression into the life and mission of our congregation. We invite all people to join us as we work to better understand the meaning of grace for our lives.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We respectfully acknowledge that we gather on the ancestral homeland of the DUWAMISH PEOPLE. We recognize the DUWAMISH and other SALISH PEOPLES, the FIRST STEWARDS of this land, who have called this region home—and continue to call it home—from time immemorial. We join with them and with all people who see the Earth, its creatures, watersheds, and habitats, as part of an integral whole reflecting our Creator's intention for wholeness and balance.

PERMISSIONS

Cover image: The Great Catch, by John August Swanson, © 1993. Artist's Reflection: The story deals with Peter and his friends who have been fishing all night; they are tired and have not caught any fish. Someone on the beach calls out: "Put down your nets one more time. Don't give up yet." They put down their nets and they catch so many fish that the nets are almost breaking! Morning comes. They are on the beach to sell and share their catch with their neighbors. They cook and eat with the stranger who called out to them. To me, this story is rich in symbols and ideas. It is about our search for life. We go through the darkness of night, experiencing our

discouragement, sometimes wanting to give up. Then we hear a voice within, or a friend or mentor says, "Try again." In this story we learn about work, patience, waiting, and trying hard. We are reminded, too, of the inexhaustible resources within each of us. The image projects unity in the almost circular net. The teeming fish and waves form a variety of colorful patterns almost quilt-like. The sun is the symbol of light and life. The sunlight reflects on the clouds, the sail, and the faces of the fishermen. They are weary yet surprised and excited to see this abundance of fish of every size and color. In the upper right corner, the moon pulls in her net of star to symbolize the night leaving. In the center, the sun rises as the birds soar above the boat.

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