

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

The Psalm

Psalm 146:5-10

5 Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God, **6 who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever;** 7 who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets the prisoners free; 8 **the Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.** 9 The Lord watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin. 10 **The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the Lord!**

The Gospel Reading #1

Matthew 25:31-40

31 Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. 32 All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, 33 and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. 34 Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world, 35 for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, 36 I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' 37 Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food or thirsty and gave you something to drink? 38 And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing? 39 And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' 40 And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.'"

The Gospel Reading #2

Luke 10:25-37

25 An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" 26 He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" 27 He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself." 28 And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." 29 But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" 30 Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. 31 Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. 32 So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. 33 But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. 34 He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. 35 The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.' 36 Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" 37 He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS - Reformation Sunday

The New Testament Reading

Romans 3:19-28

The Gospel Reading

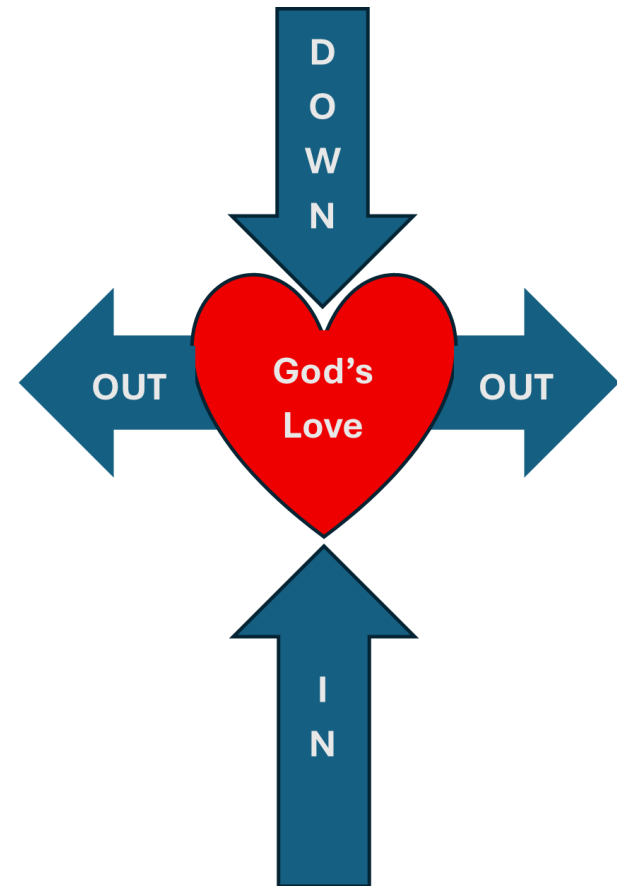
Luke 18:9-14

Peace Lutheran Church

Stewards of God's Love: Out

October 19, 2025

Commitment Sunday



And the king will answer them,
"Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these
brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me."

Matthew 25:40

Peace Lutheran Church

The Church that Welcomes and Serves

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Welcome to worship at Peace! Please see the Peace Lutheran Church website www.peacelutherantacoma.org or Facebook page (Facebook Peace Lutheran Tacoma) or YouTube channel (contact church office for link) for online worship videos.

+ We worship in person at 8:30 & 11 am and live stream 11 am on our Facebook page.

+ We worship in the summer at 10 am, also live streamed on our Facebook page.

+ Children and worship: We offer a Children's Worship Time during 11 am worship (10 am worship in summer). Pew Pal activity bags are hanging near the entrance for children to use in worship. Childcare (Nursery) is provided in the basement for children 4 and under.

A cry room is just outside the worship space. Please bring your own toys.

+ Holy Communion is open to all who desire God's gifts of grace and love. Bread and wine/grape juice are distributed at the time of Communion. A gluten-free option is available. If you are worshipping remotely, prepare bread and wine/grape juice for yourself. If you desire **Baptism**, please talk with Pastor John.

+ Decisions about when a child should receive Communion belong to the family. Communion preparation materials are available for parents to provide instruction at home, and Pastor John is happy to help families with this.

+ Transportation: Need a ride to worship? Call the church and press 120 to leave a message on the van line.

+ If you would like to make an offering to the ministry of Peace Lutheran Church, please give in person Sundays in the Offering Box, or send your financial contribution to Peace Lutheran Church (address above), donate through the Giving link on the church website, or call the church office 253-383-1317 to set up electronic giving.

+ If you have questions or concerns or prayer requests or a desire for pastoral care please contact Pastor John (pastorjohn@peacetacoma.org, 253-383-1317 ext. 101).

THE GATHERING

Welcome

Opening Songs "Blessed Be The Name Of The Lord"

Clinton Utterbach 1989 Universal; Polygram International Publishing/CCLI License # 4166406

Blessed be the name of the Lord, (3x) most high. (1x)

The name of the Lord is, a strong tower, the righteous run into it, and they are saved. (1x)

"I Will Bless Thee O Lord" Charlie LeBlanc, Intergity's Hosanna! Music, To Him Who Sits On The Throne 1986 *

I will bless thee, O Lord, (2x) with a heart of thanksgiving I will bless thee, O Lord.

With my hands lifted up and my mouth filled with praise,

With a heart of thanksgiving, I will bless thee O Lord!

"Available to You" Reverend Milton Brunson's Thompson Community Singers, AVAILABLE TO YOU, 1988 *

You gave me my hands to reach out to men, to show Him your love and your perfect plan.
You gave me my ears, I can hear your voice so clear, I can hear the cries of sinners but can I wipe away their tears. You gave me my voice to sing your word, to sing all your praises to those who've never heard. But with my eyes I see your need, for more availability, I see hearts that have been broken so many people to be free.

Refrain: Lord, I'm available to you, My will I give to you, I'll do what you say do

Use me Lord, to show someone the way, and enable me to say, my storage is empty,

And I am available to you. Now I'm giving back to you, all the tools you gave to me,

My hands, my ears, my voice, my eyes, so you can use them as you please.

I have emptied out my cup, so that you can fill me up.

Now I'm free, and I just want to be, more available to you.

Sharing God's Peace

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you always. **People: And also with you.**

Prayer

THE WORD

(See back of bulletin for readings)

The Psalm *(read responsively)*

Psalm 146:5-10

The Gospel Song "In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified"

Burgundy Book Hymn 248

Text: Bob Kilpatrick, b. 1952; Music: Bob Kilpatrick, b. 1952 © 1978 Bob Kilpatrick Music, admin. Lorenz Publishing Co. *

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified. In my life, Lord, be glorified today.

In my song, Lord... In your church, Lord...

The Gospel Reading #1

Matthew 25:31-40

The Gospel Reading #2

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The Gospel Song "In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified"

11 am Children's Worship Time *(Children are invited to the basement classroom.)*

Testimony Talk "Stewards of God's Love: Out"

Sermon

Malcolm Carroll

Song of the Day "We Are An Offering"

Red Book Hymn 692

Text: and music: Dwight Liles, b. 1957; Text and music © 1984 Word Music, LLC *

Commitment Litany "We Offer God Our Gifts"

See insert

Offering Our Pledges and Gifts *(You are invited to bring your commitment forward.)*

Sharing About Life and Ministry, Celebrations and Concerns of the Community

The Prayers of the People of God *(After each petition, "God, hear our prayer.")*

Prayer Response: "Give Me You"

Shana Wilson 2012 "I Love You" (Live) *

Give me you, everything else can wait, Lord give me you, I hope I'm not too late. (2x)

It's me, O Lord, I'm on my knees crying out to you. (2x)

THE MEAL

The Words of Institution / The Lord's Prayer

Burgundy Book pg. 39

The Meal Is Shared

(All who desire God's gifts of grace and love are invited to share in the meal of Holy Communion. The red glasses are wine; the white glasses are grape juice. Individual prayer for comfort, strength, and encouragement is offered in the prayer corner during Communion and following the worship service.)

Communion Music "Sanctuary"

Text: Randy Scruggs & John W. Thompson, adpt. by Billy Jonas; c. 1982 Whole Armor Publishing *

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary. Pure and holy, tried and true.

With thanksgiving I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

Lead me (echo) where you want me to be (echo)

Guide me (echo) where you want me to go (echo)

Move me (echo) where you want me to go (echo)

Yes (echo) yes to your will (echo), Yes (echo) yes to your way (echo),

Yes (echo) yes I'll obey (echo)

The Communion Blessing

THE SENDING

The Benediction

Sending Song "You Can Depend On Me"

Andrew Crouch & The Disciples, 1990 The Contemporary Man *

You can depend on me Jesus (2x) I know you need somebody (3x)

Lord, you can depend on me.

The Dismissal Leader: Go in peace. Serve the Lord! **People: Thanks be to God!**

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