



Peace Lutheran Church

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“The Church that Welcomes and Serves”

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“Touching Lives, Extending Peace”

November 21, 2021 – Christ the King Sunday

Our MISSION: Compelled by the love of God and our faith in Jesus Christ, Peace Lutheran Church, a diverse people of faith, in partnership with Peace Community Center, seeks to realize God’s dream for the world through worship, learning, giving, and serving.

God’s VISION: We believe God’s vision for Peace is to be a diverse community of faith in the Hilltop where all are welcome - a community that is Spirit-filled, compassionate, healthy, reconciled, and just.

Today at Peace Lutheran Church

God bless you! Welcome to worship! We worship in person at Peace on Sundays at 8:30 and 11 am (please RSVP), and we live-stream worship online at 11 am. Please see the church website www.peacelutherantacoma.org, Facebook page (Facebook Peace Lutheran Tacoma), or YouTube channel for online worship videos and faith resources. During the pandemic, our prayers are with all who suffer and all who respond in care.

Today is Christ the King Sunday. At the close of the church year, we praise Jesus, servant Lord and King of all seasons! Today we hear from the Old Testament prophet Isaiah, who promises, “The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light,” and from Jesus who says, “I am the light of the world.” Through our Lord Jesus, God brings light into our world, and that gives us hope!

Today Daniel Davis, missionary from Peace serving God in Uganda, Africa, is in town and will bring us a word. Prayers of blessing and strength for God’s mission work, Davis!

Commitment Brochure: If you have not turned in your Commitment brochure making a pledge of your time, talent, and treasure for your ministry in daily life and the church’s ministry in 2022, please place it in the Offering box or send it to the church office. Didn’t receive one? Please contact Pastor John.

Thank you for your patience, caution, and care for others as we follow safety and health guidelines for in-person worship.

Interested in learning more about Peace? Please contact Pastor John, Brendan Nelson, or Pastor Jae Bates, or stop by the Welcome Table at the church entrance.

May you know God’s peace this week!

Prayer & Praise List

To submit a prayer tell the pastor or call the church office. Names will appear on the list for 3 weeks unless requested to remain longer. Please remember these people and situations in prayer. If you feel moved to reach out to someone, write them a caring note to let them know you are thinking about them and praying for them. Contact the church office for their contact info.

- **Thanks be to God for the love of God in Jesus and for all God’s good gifts! Prayers that we share God’s love...**
- **Celebration at the baptisms of Lyla and Avery today!**
- **We honor the lives of all tragically taken in acts of racial violence**, naming Andrew Brown Jr, Daunte Wright, Manuel Ellis, Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, George Floyd
- **For deep reflection and acknowledgment of prejudices in ourselves and racism in our systems and institutions, and for wisdom to intentionally act to call out and dismantle racism in all its forms and work for God’s**

justice in our nations’s laws, policies, & practices

- **For future directions of Peace Church, that we might lean into our foundational commitment to antiracism**
- **The Asian-American community suffering anti-Asian racism and violence**
- **The Native American community with the historical atrocities of boarding schools**
- **In this pandemic...** for those who grieve the deaths of loved ones, the ill and families, medical professionals, public health workers, governments and agencies working to stop this health threat, our church and community; for our world as people are being vaccinated
- **For communities of color disproportionately impacted by Covid-19**
- **For the people of Afghanistan and Haiti, for Afghan & Haitian refugees, and for all immigrants**
- **For all who are hurting and feeling weighed down...**
- **For the hungry in our world, for food and justice**
- **For all experiencing homelessness & housing insecurity**
- **Our calling to be agents of hope, healing, and justice**
- **In our world of global warming, for climate justice**
- **The Peace affordable housing ministry**
- **The ministries of Peace Church & Community Center**
- **For all who experience sexual harassment or abuse**
- **For all who struggle with mental illness**
- **For peace:** all living midst violence or unrest, esp. in Iraq, Syria, Afghanistan, Mozambique, Myanmar, Holy Land (esp. Gaza), South Sudan, Central African Republic, Yemen
- **For hope:** the unemployed & underemployed, lonely & lost, hungry & suffering, depressed & mentally ill, the incarcerated, and all struggling with addictions
- **Grieving:** Brendan Nelson and Twylla Moore at the death of Brendan’s god-brother who is Twylla’s nephew
- **For healing & strength:** Ashley Chambers, Jessica Creso, Daniel Davis, Jeanette Hargrove’s family, Billie Johnstone, Renee Jones, Marianne Lyle, Brendan Nelson’s family, Tamesha Nelson, Dorothy White
- **Ongoing health concerns:** Kitty Adams, Joe Freeman, Ron Green, Dori Greenaway, Tanisha Hargrove, Ted Johnstone, Jerry Pittmon, Holle & Carol Plaehn, Sandra Puckett, Perry Richards, Dianne Stoehr, Bob Wu
- **Military away:** Juwan Banks, Taylor McCarthy
- **Special need:** Octavius Killian, Daniel Lotovaivai, Alfred Nelson, Jackie Ray, Eileen Strittmatter, Sunshine Timmons, Dezmynt Trent, Henry K. White

- **Seminarians:** Pastor Jae Bates, Charissa Carroll
- **For siblings in Christ all over the world, our partners in global mission:** Davis family in Uganda, Jane Kagochi & Solid Faith Church in Kenya; the Namibian Lutheran Church (companion synod); the church in South Sudan; the church in China; Sevigny family in Japan; the Navajo Lutheran Church in Arizona

Small Group Gatherings – not meeting in person right now

- **Book Group:** Kit Thompson: 229-5766
- **College Care Package Team:** Pat Ferguson: 627-1349
- **Conversations Around Race:** Ted Johnstone: 752-9514
- **Community Bible Study:** Pastor John: ext. 101. Thurs 1pm
- **Gospel Choir:** Twylla Moore, twylla@peacetacoma.org
- **Men’s Breakfast:** Malcolm Carroll: 282-0218.
- **Papers of Peace (card-making):** Nancy Heavey: 752-8450
- **Prayer Chain:** Sandra Puckett: 348-8999, for prayer requests email: quietwater60@yahoo.com
- **Women’s Bible Study:** 2nd Thursday, 10 am
- **Writing Group:** Shari Shelton: 906-3769. 3rd Mon, 6 pm

Opportunities to Serve

Regular Offering to Peace Thank you for your generous and ongoing giving of financial support to Peace Lutheran Church! Please share your offering in person Sundays at the Welcome Table or send offering by mail or electronic means or donate on the church website. If you would like to set up regular online giving, contact Damishe in the church office at 253-383-1317.

Give to Help Families for the Holidays Want to help a family in need this season? Give a donation to Peace Lutheran Church noted “Holiday Help” or bring a gift card for Fred Meyer or Walmart to the office. Questions? Ask Pastor John.

Thrivent Choice Dollars Are you a member of Thrivent Financial? Do you have Choice Dollars to direct to a charitable organization? Please consider directing your Choice Dollars to Peace Lutheran Church or Peace Community Center by logging into your account on the Thrivent website.

Collecting Winter Hygiene Items We are collecting hygiene items (hand warmers, travel size toiletries, lotion, socks, masks, gloves, emergency foil pocket travel blankets) to provide to the community. Please bring items to the church office. Questions? Contact Myrah Ballentine at 253-283-1665.

Please Refrain from Wearing Perfumes Some at Peace have trouble breathing with perfumes in the air. Please try not to wear perfume on Sundays. We’re a community of care & sensitivity.

**Peace Lutheran Church
Events & Information**

Sunday Adult Faith Zoom Opportunities 10:00-10:45 am

- **This Sunday: “Forgiveness, Reconciliation, and Transformation”** final class, led by Pastor Jae.
 - **Next Sunday Nov. 28: No class (Thanksgiving)**
 - **Sunday Dec. 5: Budget Adult Forum**, led by Pam Asadi
- Email Pastor John for the Zoom link.

Community Bible Study Pastors John & Jae lead a Zoom Bible Study **Thursdays 1 to 2 pm** on the scriptures for worship the following Sunday. Email Pastor John for Zoom link.

Sunday Morning Faith Opportunities We offer two faith classes from 10:00-10:45 am each Sunday via Zoom:

- The 7th-8th grade Feet to Faith confirmation class, and
- The adult education class.

Please email Pastor John for the Zoom link.

Children: During 11 am worship, we offer a children’s worship time in the multipurpose room. We post Godly Play videos for children on our YouTube channel weekly for families at home.

Advent Devotionals Make your way daily through the Advent season using a daily devotional and Advent wreath of 5 candles.

Adults and Youth: Use the “Living Well Through Advent” resource by Living Compass—practicing patience with all your heart, soul, strength, and mind. See link in all-church emails.

Families with Children: Use the Jesse Tree daily devotional with ornament symbols to help the Advent journey come alive by hearing stories and learning about people in Jesus’ family tree in the Bible. Pick up Jesse Tree materials and Advent candles Sundays at the Welcome Table or contact Pastor John.

Interested in Learning More about Faith in God and Service through Peace Church? Want to Become a Member of Peace?

Join a Saturday class on **December 4** from **10 – 2:30 pm** called “Foundations of Faith and Peace” exploring marks of being a follower of Jesus and what it means to serve him in and through Peace Lutheran Church and Community Center. This class is in person, wearing masks and social distancing. Lunch provided. Interested? Talk to Pastor John. **New members will be received in worship on Sunday, December 19.**

Annual Congregational Meeting Sunday, December 12, 9:45 am (online via Zoom) Agenda:

- Election of Council Officers & At-Large Council Members
- Adoption of the 2022 Ministry Plan (Budget)
- Introduction of New Community Center Board Members

Community Information

Interfaith Celebration of Gratitude Tues, Nov. 23, 7pm on Zoom. “The Moments In-Between: Finding the Joy!” A gratitude celebration bringing together people of many religious groups. Register using Zoom link in email announcements.

Peace Lutheran Church Staff

- **Pastor:** John Stroeh, ext 101, pastorjohn@peacetacoma.org
- **Director of Children, Youth, & Family Ministry:** Brendan Nelson, ext 103, brendan@peacetacoma.org
- **Intern Pastor:** Jae Bates, ext 104, jac@peacetacoma.org
- **Vison & Call Fellow:** Kamari Carroll, kamari@peacecommunitycenter.org
- **Music Director:** Twylla Moore, twylla@peacetacoma.org
- **Community Resources Coordinator:** Teri Jelinek, terijlinek50@gmail.com
- **Nursery Attendant:** Rebecca Valencia, rebecca@peacetacoma.org
- **Temporary Office Coordinator:** Damishe Greenwood-Walker, ext 100, plcadmin@peacetacoma.org
- **Custodian:** Ana Sanchez
- **Finance Coordinator:** Jenny Haferbecker, jenny@peacetacoma.org

Assisting Today

Altar Guild: Jeanie Correa, Robin McGaughy
Technology: Don Gillis **Van Driver:** Will Jones
Nursery: Rebecca Valencia **Sanitation:** Craig Cogger, Joe Blake

	8:30 am	11:00 am
Assisting Minister:	Pastor Jae Bates	Pastor Jae Bates
Readers:	Robin McGaughy	Charissa Carroll
Greeters:	Pam Asadi	Leigh Wong
Ushers:	Joe Blake & Craig Cogger	Kamari Carroll
Musicians:	Twylla Moore	Twylla Moore & Paul Brown