

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

The Old Testament Reading

2 Kings 4:1-7

1 Now the wife of a member of the company of prophets cried to Elisha, 'Your servant my husband is dead; and you know that your servant feared the Lord, but a creditor has come to take my two children as slaves.' 2 Elisha said to her, 'What shall I do for you? Tell me, what do you have in the house?' She answered, 'Your servant has nothing in the house, except a jar of oil.' 3 He said, 'Go outside, borrow vessels from all your neighbors, empty vessels and not just a few. 4 Then go in, and shut the door behind you and your children, and start pouring into all these vessels; when each is full, set it aside.' 5 So she left him and shut the door behind her and her children; they kept bringing vessels to her, and she kept pouring. 6 When the vessels were full, she said to her son, 'Bring me another vessel.' But he said to her, 'There are no more.' Then the oil stopped flowing. 7 She came and told the man of God, and he said, 'Go, sell the oil and pay your debts, and you and your children can live on the rest.'

The New Testament Reading 1

2 Corinthians 12:9

He said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.' So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.

The New Testament Reading 2

2 Corinthians 4:7

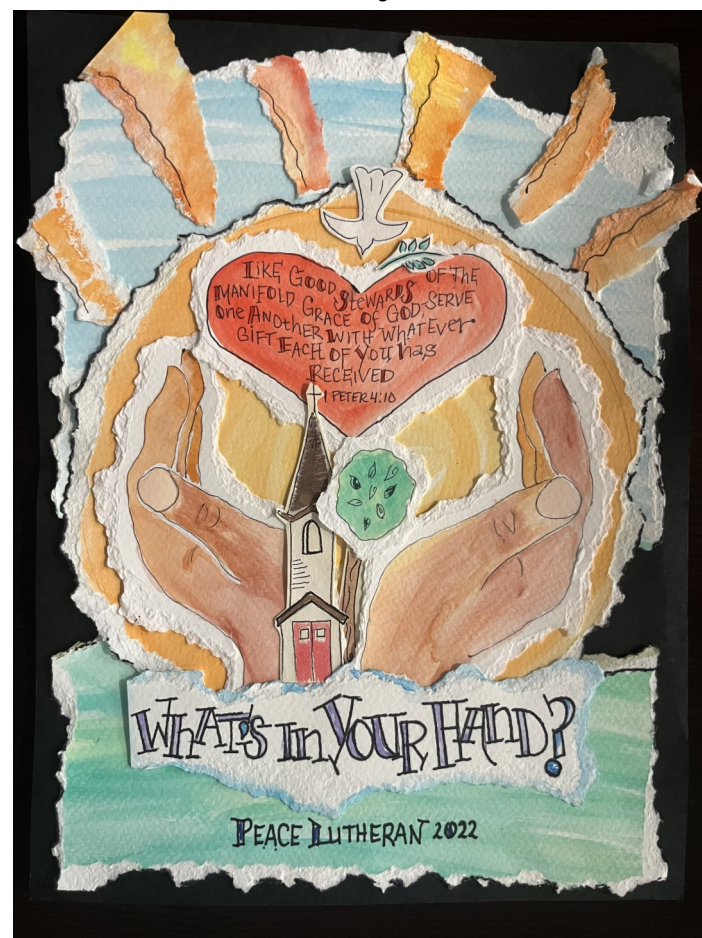
But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us.

Peace Lutheran Church

Living in the Spirit: God's Grace Is Sufficient

October 2, 2022

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost



“My grace is sufficient for you,
for power is made perfect in weakness.”

2 Corinthians 12:9

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS - Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The New Testament

1 Peter 4:10-11, Ephesians 3:14-21

The Gospel

John 6:5-13

Peace Lutheran Church

The Church that Welcomes and Serves

2106 South Cushman Avenue, Tacoma, WA 98405, www.peacelutherantacoma.org

(253) 383-1317 Church Office, (253) 383-0702 Peace Community Center

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.

+ Children and worship: We offer a Children's Worship Time during 11 am worship.

Pew Pal coloring sheets are at the Welcome Table for children to use in worship. Please bring your own crayons. 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, or pick up prepackaged Communion elements at the Welcome Table, or, if you are worshiping remotely, prepare bread and wine/grape juice for yourself. A gluten-free option is available.

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, press * dial 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

Opening Songs "What a Blessing"

Burgundy Book Hymn 139

Text: Wayne Robinson; Music: Wayne Robinson © 1994 Wayne Robinson *

What a blessing, what a blessing, to be here in the service of the Lord.

We are thankful for another chance to worship God. We've come to praise his holy name.

Praise him! We've come to praise him. (3x) We've come to praise his holy name!

Thank him! We've come to thank him. (3x) We've come to thank his holy name!

"We Have Come Into This House"

Burgundy Book Hymn 136

Bruce Ballinger 1976 MCA Music Publ., A.D.O. Universal Studio (Admin. by Universal Music Publishing Group) Sound III, Inc. (Admin. by Universal Music Publishing Group) *

We have come into this house and gathered in his name to worship him. (2x)

We have come into this house and gathered in his name to worship Christ our Lord,

Worship him, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Just forget about yourself and concentrate on him and worship him...

Let's just lift up holy hands and magnify his name and worship him...

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 Old Testament Reading

2 Kings 4:1-7

Gospel Song "What Shall I Render"

Burgundy Book Hymn 239

Text and Music: Margaret J. Douroux, b. 1941; based on Psalm 116:12; © 1975 Margaret Douroux *

What shall I render unto God for all his mercies?

What shall I render, tell me what shall I give?

Refrain: God has everything and everything belongs to him. (2x)

What shall I render tell me what shall I give?

The New Testament Readings

2 Corinthians 12:9; 2 Corinthians 4:7

Gospel Song "What Shall I Render"

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

Sermon

Melody Duke

Song of the Day "Here I Am, Lord"

Burgundy Book Hymn 230

Text and Music: HERE I AM, Lord, Daniel Schutte, arr. Michael Pope, Daniel Schutte, and John Weissrock; © 1981 Daniel L. Schutte and New Dawn Music *

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin

My hand will save. I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain...*

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them.

My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide 'til their hearts be satisfied.

I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain...*

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

The Prayers of the People of God

Prayer Response: "Lord Listen To Your Children Praying"

Ken Medema 1943 Music: CHILDREN PRAYING, Ken Medema, B.1943 © 1973 Hope Publishing Co. *

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place;

Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.

THE MEAL

The Words of Institution / The Lord's Prayer / The Meal Is Shared

(All who desire God's gifts of grace and love are invited to share in the meal of Holy Communion.)

Communion Music "I Can Hear My Savior Calling"

Burgundy Book Hymn 146

Text: E. W. Blandy; Music: NORRIS, John S. Norris, 1844-1907 *

I can hear my savior calling. (3x) Take thy cross and follow, follow me.

Refrain: Where he leads me I will follow. (3x) I'll go with him, with him, all the way.

The Communion Blessing

The Benediction

THE SENDING

Sending Song "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

Burgundy Book Hymn 232

Text: Fred Kaan, b. 1929; Music: LINSTEAD, Jamaican traditional; arr. Doreen Potter, 1925-1980 © 1975 Hope Publishing *

Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy:

Bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

Jesus lives again; earth can breathe again. Pass the Word around: loaves abound!

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