

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

The Old Testament

Genesis 12:1-9

1 Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. 2 I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. 3 I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." 4 So Abram went, as the Lord had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. 5 Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot and all the possessions that they had gathered and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran, and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, 6 Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. 7 Then the Lord appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. 8 From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east, and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. 9 And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

The Gospel

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

9 As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. 10 And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples. 11 When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" 12 But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. 13 Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners." 18 While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." 19 And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. 20 Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, 21 for she was saying to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." 22 Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And the woman was made well from that moment. 23 When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, 24 he said, "Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. 25 But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. 26 And the report of this spread through all of that district.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS - Third Sunday After Pentecost

The Old Testament Reading

Genesis 18:1-15, 21:1-7

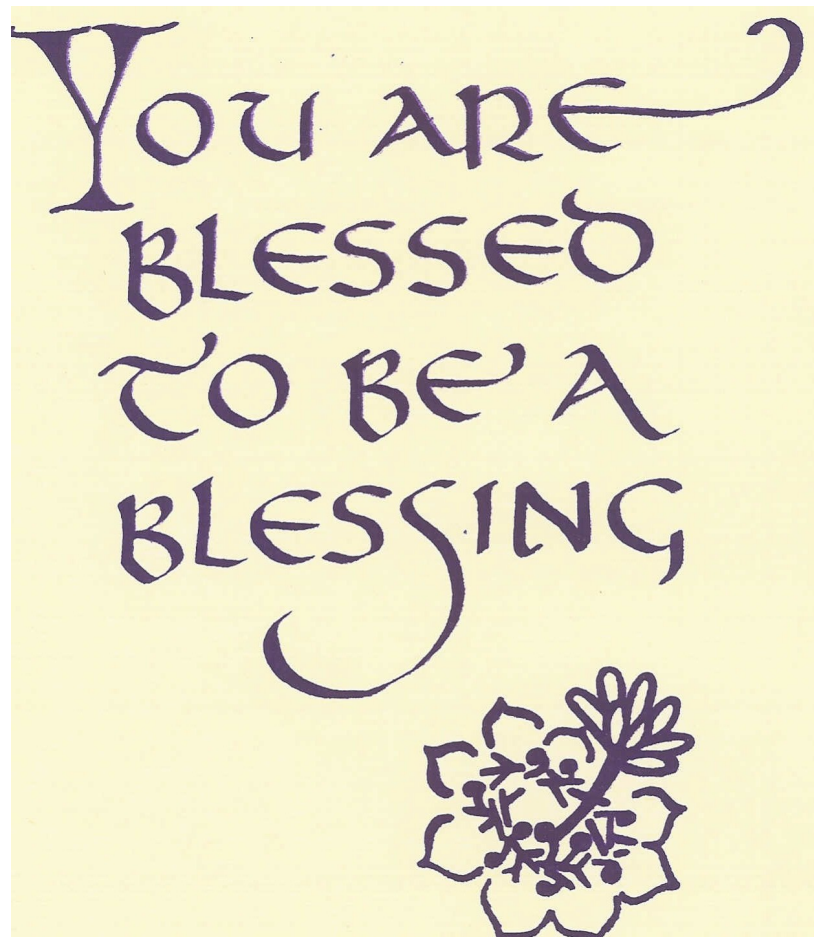
The Gospel Reading

Matthew 9:35-10:8, 18-26 (9-23)

Peace Lutheran Church

Living in the Spirit:
Blessed to Be a Blessing

June 7, 2026



I will bless you and make your name great,
so that you will be a blessing.

Genesis 12:2b

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 "I've Got Peace Like a River"

Text: traditional; Music: African American spiritual *

Burgundy Book Hymn 258

"Blessed Assurance"

Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820-1915; Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp 1830-1908 *

Burgundy Book Hymn 118

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

Genesis 12:1-9

The Gospel Song "Send Me, Jesus"

Burgundy Book Hymn 244

Text: South African; Music: THUMA MINA, South African Tr. And arr. © 1984 Ultrayck, admin. Walton Music Corp *

Send me, Lord. Send me, Jesus, send me, Jesus send me, Lord.

Lead me, Lord. Lead me, Jesus, lead me, lead me, Lordfill me.

The Gospel Reading

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

The Gospel Song "Send Me, Jesus"

11 am Children's Message

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

Sermon

Pastor John

Song of the Day "Here I Am, Lord"

Burgundy Book Hymn 230

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

8:30 am The Apostles' Creed

Burgundy Book p. 35

11 am Service of Affirmation of Faith / Confirmation

See insert

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: "Come By Here"

Burgundy Book Hymn 42

Text: traditional; Music: KUM BA YAH, traditional; arr. Richard Smallwood, Arr. ©1975 Century Oak/Richwood Music *

Come by here, my Lord, come by here. (3x) O Lord, come by here.

Someone needs you, Lord, come by here. (3x) O Lord, come by here.

Send a blessing, Lord, come by here. (3x) O Lord, come by here.

11 am Children's Choir

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 Song "For the Beauty of the Earth"

Red Book Hymn 879

Text: Follitt S. Pierpoint, 1835-1917, alt.; Music: Conrad Kocher, 1786-1872 *

The Communion Blessing

THE SENDING

The Benediction

Sending Song "I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me"

Burgundy Book Hymn 191

Text: African American spiritual; Music: JESUS LIFTED ME, African American spiritual; arr. With One Voice, 1995 Arr. © 1995 Augsburg Fortress *

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