TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

The Old Testament

Isaiah 2:1-5

1 The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. 2 In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. 3 Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. 4 He shall judge between the nations and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation; neither shall they learn war any more. 5 O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

The Gospel Reading

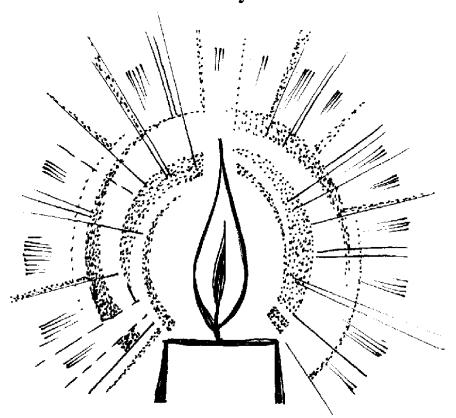
Matthew 24:36-44

36 "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. 37 For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. 38 For as in the days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, 39 and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so, too, will be the coming of the Son of Man. 40 Then two will be in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left. 41 Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken, and one will be left. 42 Keep awake, therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. 43 But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. 44 Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

Peace Lutheran Church

Word of Life: Keep Awake!

November 30, 2025 First Sunday of Advent



NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS - Second Sunday of Advent

The Old Testament Reading
The Psalm Reading
The New Testament Reading
The Gospel Reading

Isaiah 11:1-10 Psalm 72:1-7 Romans 15:4-13 Matthew 3:1-12 Keep awake, therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.

Matthew 24:42

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.
- + 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 The Gospel Song "There Is a Name I Love to Hear" 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 worshiping 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

"What a Mighty God We Serve" Text and music: traditional *

Burgundy Book Hymn 295

"The Presence of The Lord" Victory In Praise Music And Arts Seminar Mass Choir, John P. Kee 1996 Zomba Recording LLC * The presence of the Lord is here, here in this place,

Can't you feel the anointing and his power? Come in his presence with singing and praise, Enter his gates with thanksgiving. The presence of the Lord is here, here in this place. In his presence there is love, in his presence there is power, in his presence there is peace, In his presence there is healing, in his presence there is joy, in his presence there is hope. The presence of the Lord is here (3x), here in this place.

"This Is The Air I Breathe" Michael W. Smith, Breathe © 2015 Christian Music United Inc. Glorify Music *

This is the air I breathe. (2x) Your holy presence living in me. (repeat)

And I, I'm desperate for you. (2x)

This is my daily bread. (2x) Your very word spoken to me. (repeat)

And I, I'm desperate for you. (2x)

Advent Litany

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

Isaiah 2:1-5

The Gospel Song "There Is a Name I Love to Hear" Burgundy Book Hymn 250 Text: Frederick Whitfield, 1829-1904; Music: traditional *

There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth;

It sounds like music in my ear, the sweetest name on earth.

Oh, how I love Jesus (3x) because he first loved me.

The Gospel Reading

Matthew 24:36-44

Children's Message and the Lighting of the Advent Candle

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

Sermon Jo Nivling Izquierdo

Song of the Day "All Hail King Jesus"

Dave Moody- 1981 Curb Dayspring Music (Admin. by Warner-Tamerlane Publishing Corp.) *

All hail King Jesus, all hail Emmanuel,

King of Kings, Lord of Lords, bright morning star

And throughout eternity I'm going to praise him,

And forevermore I will reign with him.

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:**

"Lord, Listen To Your Children Praying"

Burgundy Book Hymn 247

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 power, send us grace.

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 "At the Cross"

Burgundy Book Hymn 71

Isaac Watts, 1674-1748; Ralph E. Hudson, 1843-1901, refrain; Music: HUDSON, Ralph E. Hudson, 1843-1901*

The Communion Blessing

THE SENDING

The Benediction

Sending Song "God Is Great" God is Great (Leap!) David Daughtry.; Copyright © 2021 Gospelmaps *

God is great and greatly to be praised! Glory, glory to his name.

God is great and greatly to be praised! Bless the Lord O my soul.

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

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