

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

The Psalm

Psalm 49:1-12

Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all inhabitants of the world, both low and high, rich and poor together. 3 My mouth shall speak wisdom; the meditation of my heart shall be understanding. 4 I will incline my ear to a proverb; I will solve my riddle to the music of the harp. 5 Why should I fear in times of trouble, when the iniquity of my persecutors surrounds me, 6 those who trust in their wealth and boast of the abundance of their riches? 7 Truly, no ransom avails for one's life, there is no price one can give to God for it. 8 For the ransom of life is costly, and can never suffice, 9 that one should live on for ever and never see the grave. 10 When we look at the wise, they die; fool and dolt perish together and leave their wealth to others. 11 Their graves are their homes for ever, their dwelling-places to all generations, though they named lands their own. 12 Mortals cannot abide in their pomp; they are like the animals that perish.

The Gospel

Luke 12:13-21

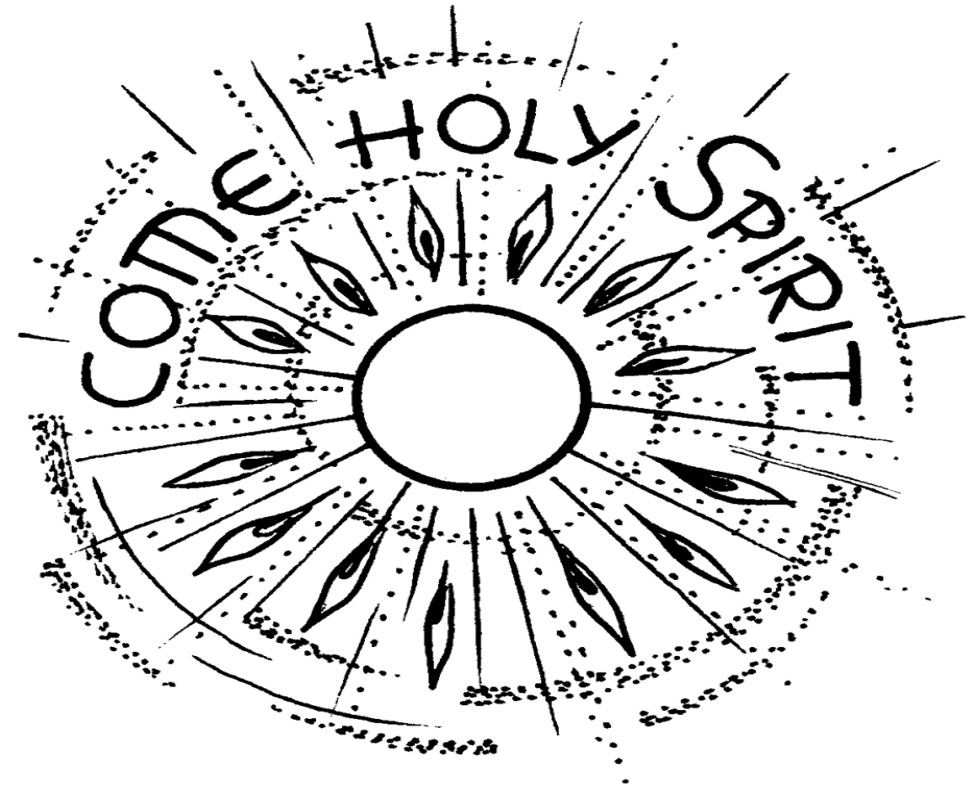
13 Someone in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.' 14 But he said to him, 'Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?' 15 And he said to them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.' 16 Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. 17 And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" 18 Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. 19 And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." 20 But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" 21 So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

Peace Lutheran Church

Living in the Spirit: Invitation To Be Rich Toward God

August 3, 2025

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost



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Luke 12:15

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS - Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

The Old Testament

Genesis 15:1-6

The Psalm

Psalm 33:12-22

The New Testament Reading

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

The Gospel Reading

Luke 12:32-40

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 the summer at 10 am, also live streamed on our Facebook page.**

+ **Children and worship:** We often offer a Children's Worship Time during worship. *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 a church staff person.

+ **Decisions about when a child should receive Communion** belong to the family. Communion preparation materials are available for parents to provide instruction at home.

+ **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 a church staff person.

+ **Pastor John is on sabbatical until September 7.**

THE GATHERING

Welcome

Opening Songs

"Glory, Glory Hallelujah!"

Burgundy Book Hymn 148

Text and Music: African American spiritual; arr. Carl Haywood, b. 1949 Arr. © 1992 Carl Haywood *

"His Eye Is on the Sparrow"

Burgundy Book Hymn 252

Text: Gilla D. Martin, 1860-1948; Music: HIS EYE IS ON THE SPARROW, Charles H. Gabriel, 1856-1932 *

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 Reading

Psalm 49:1-12

The Gospel Song "Listen, God Is Calling"

Burgundy Hymn Book 130

Text: Tanzanian traditional; tr. Howard S Olson, b. 1922; Music NEN LAKE MUNGU, Tanzanian tune; arr. Austin C. Lovelace, b. 1919; Tr. © Lutheran Theological College, Makumira, Tanzania; Arr. © Austin C. Lovelace *

Refrain: Listen, listen, God is calling, through the word inviting, offering forgiveness, comfort, and joy. joy.

Jesus gave his mandate: share the good news that he came to save us and set us free.

Refrain...

Let none be forgotten throughout the world. In the triune name of God go and baptize.

Refrain...

Help us to be faithful, standing steadfast, walking in your precepts, led by your word.

Refrain...

The Gospel Reading

Luke 12:13-21

The Gospel Song "Listen, God Is Calling"

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

Sermon

Al Shelton

Song of the Day "Pass Me Not"

Burgundy Book Hymn 150

Text: Fannie J. Crosby Music: PASS ME NOT, William H. Doane 1832-1915 *

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 pow'r, 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 "Give Me Jesus"

Burgundy Book Hymn 165

Text and music: African American spiritual, GIVE ME JESUS; arr. L. L. Fleming, b 1936; Arr. © 1973 Augsburg Publishing House *

The Communion Blessing

THE SENDING

The Benediction

Sending Song "God Be With You

Burgundy Book Hymn 160

Text and music: Thomas A. Dorsey, 1899-1993; arr. Horace Clarence Boyer, b. 1935; Text and tune © 1940 Unichappell Music, Inc.; Arr. © 1992 Horace Clarence Boyer *

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

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