



Peace Lutheran Church

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“The Church that Welcomes and Serves”

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Where Every One Is a Minister

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“Touching Lives, Extending Peace”

August 21, 2022 – Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

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 Sundays at 8:30 & 11 am and live stream worship online at 11 am. See our website 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.

It is a blessing to be able to worship in person. We continue for now to use masks and increased airflow to reduce risk.

We're in Pentecost, a season of growing in faith by the power of the Holy Spirit. Today, instead of a traditional sermon, Music Director Twylla Moore shares faith reflections around the music in worship. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name!

Rev. Lynn Longfield presides over Communion today.

Parents with children: Today we will not offer a children's worship time during 11 am worship. We post Godly Play videos on our YouTube channel to use at home.

Pastor John is away on vacation and continuing education through August 31. Pastoral care will be provided today by Rev. Lynn Longfield (253-651-2128) and August 22-31 by Kit Thompson (253-229-5766).

Director of Community Engagement & Outreach Brendan Nelson is away through August 28 for vacation and the ELCA Hunger Conference.

Interested in learning more about Peace? Please contact Pastor John or Brendan Nelson 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.

- For future directions of Peace Church, that we might lean into our foundational commitment to antiracism
- For peace and change in a culture of gun violence
- We honor lives 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 nation's laws, policies, & practices

- The Asian-American community suffering anti-Asian racism and violence
- The Native American community with ongoing injustice and historical atrocities of boarding schools
- In this pandemic, for those who grieve the deaths of loved ones, the ill, medical professionals, public health workers, governments and agencies, our church and community
- For people in parts of the world not yet vaccinated because of lack of access to COVID vaccines
- For the people of Ukraine in this war, for Ukrainian & Afghan & Haitian refugees, 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 housing ministry
- All 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 amidst violence or unrest, esp. in Ukraine, Iraq, Syria, Afghanistan, Myanmar, Holy Land, Ethiopia, South Sudan, Central African Republic, Yemen
- For peace in the Hilltop, for an end to senseless violence
- For hope: the unemployed & underemployed, lonely & lost, hungry & suffering, depressed & mentally ill, the incarcerated, and all struggling with addictions
- For healing: Joe Blake, Antonio Ray, Katrina Sortor
- Ongoing health concerns: Kitty Adams, Dori Greenaway, Tanisha Hargrove, Ted Johnstone, Kisela McDaniel, Jerry Pittmon, Holle & Carol Plaehn, Sandra Puckett, Yvonne Reed, Dorothy White, 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
- For our partners in mission all over the world: 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 – many not meeting in person

- 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 (on break)
- **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 (on break)
- **Writing Group:** Shari Shelton: 906-3769. 4th Tuesday, 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 the church office (253-383-1317).

Community Meals Friday Community Meals are “**grab and go**” style at the door every Friday from **5:30-6:30 pm**. We also share information about community resources and services. Want to help? Contact Teri Jelinek at 206-718-6109.

Van Drivers Needed Would you be willing to serve five times a year as a van driver helping folks get to worship on Sundays? Please contact Pastor John or Damishe in the church office. We are in great need of at least one more van driver! This is a very important ministry of care and connection.

Peace Lutheran Church Events & Information

Gardening at Peace You're invited to come out and help in the parking strip garden across 21st Street from Peace every other Thursday morning in the summer. Gardening at Peace happens at **10 am on August 25**.

A Space of Peace We're in a time of reimagining the empty space in the sanctuary corner where a light shines. What expression of faith and/or art could be present there that communicates God's unconditional welcome and abundant love for all in our diverse community? Please share your ideas by calling or emailing Pastor John or Brendan Nelson.

Youth Activities this Summer Contact Jayna Detweiler for more info (503-984-0890, jayna@peacetacoma.org).

+ **Aug 25 at 10 am:** Gardening at Peace + special youth activities

+ **August 28 after 11 am worship:** Spanaway Lake End of Summer BASH!

Christians Concerned with Homelessness Peace is partnering with Retreat Home and Trinity Presbyterian as Trinity hosts a monthly prayer gathering for our neighbors experiencing homelessness. Join the monthly gathering in the Trinity House parlor (1615 6th Ave.) on the **first Thursday of each month, 7-8 pm**, led by Sarah Butler Wills. Due to Labor Day, the next gathering will be the **second Thursday, September 8**. This time brings into focus our prayers alongside our congregation's action and work for housing.

Office Manager Good news! Damishe Greenwood-Walker has resumed her full-time duties managing the office at Peace. Her hours are 8:30 – 5 pm Monday through Friday.

Church Staff Weekly Days Off Pastor John and Brendan Nelson both take Mondays off and are not available unless there is an emergency. They ask that folks not call or text them on Mondays to respect their time off for rest and renewal. Thanks!

Peace Community Center Information

Back to School Event Peace Community Center is having our annual back to school event in partnership with Peace Lutheran Church on **Friday, Sept 2, from 5:30 – 7:30 pm**. We would really appreciate your support. We need volunteers to help set up & take down, handing out school supplies, and assisting with serving food. We will stuff backpacks **August 30 from 1-3 pm**. If you would like to support by volunteering or have any questions please email kristen@peacecommunitycenter.org.

Peace Lutheran Church Staff

- **Pastor:** John Stroeh, ext 101, pastorjohn@peacetacoma.org
- **Director of Community Engagement & Outreach:** Brendan Nelson, ext 103, brendan@peacetacoma.org
- **Coordinator of Children, Youth, & Intergenerational Ministry:** Jayna Detweiler, ext 104, jayna@peacetacoma.org
- **Music Director:** Twylla Moore, twylla@peacetacoma.org
- **Community Resources Coordinator:** Teri Jelinek, tjelinek50@gmail.com
- **Nursery Attendant:** Rebecca Valencia, rebecca@peacetacoma.org
- **Office Manager:** 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	Tech:	Don Gillis
Van Driver:	Craig Cogger	Nursery:	Rebecca Valencia
	8:30 am		11:00 am
Assisting Minister:	Antonio Yune		Antonio Yune
Reader:	Robin McGaughy		Dean Sawhill
Greeter:	Jeanie Correa		Carol Watson
Ushers:	Bill Hanawalt		Viviane Sawhill
Musicians:	Twylla Moore		Twylla Moore