

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

The New Testament

Acts 16:16-34

16 One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. 17 While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' 18 She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour. 19 But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market-place before the authorities. 20 When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews 21 and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' 22 The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. 23 After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. 24 Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. 25 About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. 26 Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. 27 When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. 28 But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' 29 The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. 30 Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' 31 They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' 32 They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. 33 At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. 34 He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

The Gospel Reading

John 17:20-26

20 Jesus said, 'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, 21 that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. 22 The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, 23 I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. 24 Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. 25 Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. 26 I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS - Pentecost Sunday

The Old Testament Reading

Genesis 11:1-9

The New Testament Reading

Acts 2:1-21

Peace Lutheran Church

Living in Easter Hope: Jesus' Prayer for Us

June 1, 2025
Seventh Sunday of Easter



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John 17:20-21

Peace Lutheran Church

The Church that Welcomes and Serves

2106 South Cushman Avenue, Tacoma, WA 98405, www.peacelutherantacoma.org
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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 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 Blessing” Text & Music: Wayne Robinson; © 1994 Wayne Robinson *

Burgundy Book Hymn 139

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

Burgundy Book Hymn 118

“Open Our Eyes, Lord”

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Burgundy Book Hymn 98

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 New Testament

Acts 16:16-34

The Gospel Song “Come to Jesus”

Burgundy Book Hymn 156

Text: traditional, Music: traditional *

Come to Jesus (3x) just now, just now come to Jesus, come to Jesus just now.

The Gospel Reading

John 17:20-26

The Gospel Song “Come to Jesus”

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

Sermon

Pastor John

Song of the Day “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

Burgundy Book Hymn 192

Text: Edward Mote; 1797-1874, alt; Music: THE SOLID ROCK, William B. Bradbury, 1816-1868 *

11 am Sacrament of Holy Baptism for Michael Leandro Green

Burgundy Book p. 35

The Apostles' Creed
All: Welcome to the Lord's family and the mission we share! Join us in giving thanks and praise to God and sharing the good news of Jesus with all the world!

Blessing of Graduates

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: “Thank You, Lord”

Burgundy Book Hymn 293

Text: traditional; Music: traditional; arr. J. Jefferson Cleveland, 1937-1986; and Verolga Nix, b. 1933; Arr © 1981 Abingdon Press, admin. The Copyright Company *

Thank you, Lord (3x), I just want to thank you, Lord.

Been so good.... You made a way....

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

The Communion Blessing

THE SENDING

The Benediction

Sending Song “Bind Us Together”

Burgundy Book Hymn 217

Text: Bob Gillman, b. 1946; Music: BIND US TOGETHER, Bob Gillman, b. 1946 © 1977 Kingsway Thankyou Music, admin Integrity's Hosanna! Music in N., S., and C. America *

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

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