

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

The Old Testament

Exodus 33:12-23

12 Moses said to the Lord, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people,' but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' 13 Now if I have found favor in your sight, please show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider, too, that this nation is your people." 14 He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." 15 And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not bring us up from here. 16 For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth." 17 The Lord said to Moses, "I will also do this thing that you have asked, for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." 18 Moses said, "Please show me your glory." 19 And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you and will proclaim before you the name, 'The Lord,' and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. 20 But," he said, "you cannot see my face, for no one shall see me and live." 21 And the Lord continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock, 22 and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; 23 then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back, but my face shall not be seen."

The Gospel

Matthew 22:15-22

15 Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. 16 So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one, for you do not regard people with partiality. 17 Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not?" 18 But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? 19 Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. 20 Then he said to them, "Whose head is this and whose title?" 21 They answered, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's." 22 When they heard this, they were amazed, and they left him and went away.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS – Reformation Sunday

The Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34

The Psalm

Psalm 46

The New Testament Reading

Romans 3:19-28

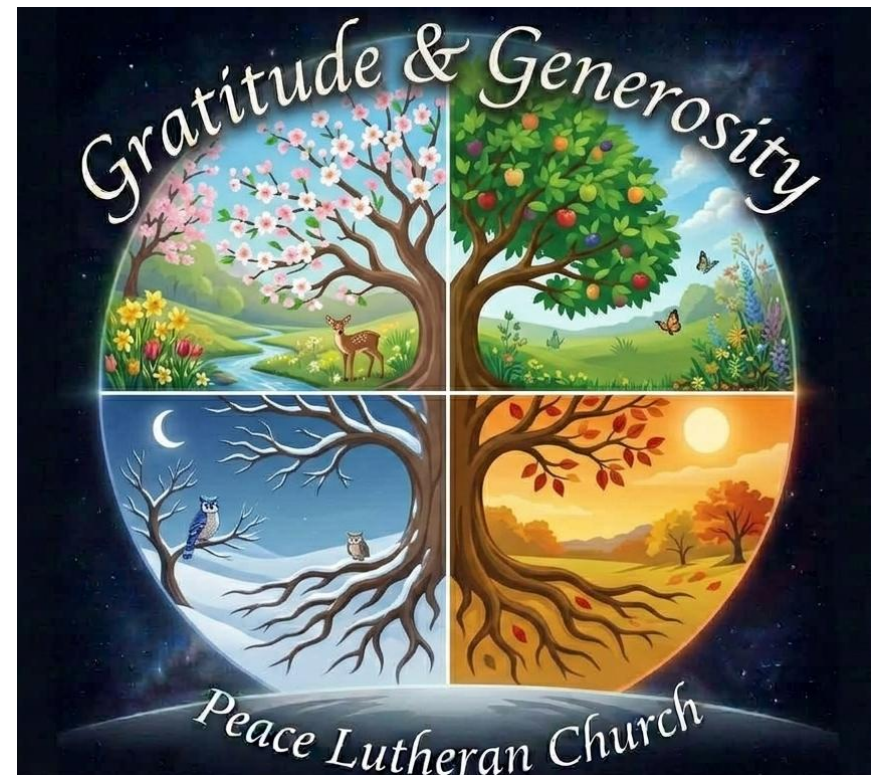
The Gospel Reading

John 8:31-36

Peace Lutheran Church

Living in the Spirit: Generosity & Gratitude in All Seasons

October 18, 2026



Then Jesus said to them, "Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's."

Matthew 22:21

Peace Lutheran Church

The Church that Welcomes and Serves

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+ **Welcome to worship at Peace!** We worship at 8:30 & 11 am and live stream 11 am on our Facebook page. Please see the Peace Lutheran Church website, Facebook page (Peace Lutheran Tacoma), or YouTube channel for worship videos.

+ **Children and worship:** We offer a Children's Worship Time during 11 am worship. Pew Pal activity bags are hanging near the sanctuary 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—parents, please be present with your children. For more information, see the "Welcome, Children and Families" sheet on the Welcome Table.

+ **Holy Communion** is open to all who desire God's gifts of grace and love.

+ If you desire **Baptism**, please talk with Pastor John.

THE GATHERING

Welcome

Opening Songs

"Blessed Be the Name of the Lord" Clinton Utterbach 1989 Universal; Polygram International Publishing *

Blessed be the name of the Lord (3x) most high!

Blessed be the name of the Lord (3x) most high!

The name of the Lord is a strong tower,

The righteous run into it and they are saved. (2x)

Jesus is the name of the Lord...

"Lord Make Me an Instrument" Robert Bicknell 1977 Zion Song, admin. by CopyCare *

Lord make me an instrument, an instrument of worship,

I lift up my hands to your name (2x)

Lord make me an instrument, an instrument of power... mercy... love...

"I Will Bless Thee O Lord" Twila Paris. He is Exalted lyrics © Mountain Spring Music, Straightway Music Publishing *

I will bless thee O Lord, I will bless thee O Lord,

With a heart of thanksgiving, I will bless thee O Lord,

With my hands lifted up and my mouth filled with praise,

With a heart of thanksgiving, I will bless thee O Lord.

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

Exodus 33:12-23

The Gospel Song "In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified" Burgundy Book Hymn 248

Text: Bob Kilpatrick, b. 1952; Music: Bob Kilpatrick, b. 1952 © 1978 Bob Kilpatrick Music, admin. Lorenz Publishing Co. *

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified; In my life Lord, be glorified today.

In my song, Lord... In your church, Lord...

The Gospel Reading

Matthew 22:15-22

The Gospel Song "In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified" Burgundy Book Hymn 275

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

Generosity and Gratitude in All Seasons Testimony Talk

Sermon

Jo Nivling Izquierdo

Song of the Day "What Shall I Render"

Burgundy Book Hymn 239

Text and Music: Margaret J. Douroux, b. 1941; based on Psalm 116:12; © 1975 Margaret Douroux *

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. *

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 Holy Communion. We offer red wine; white grape juice, and a gluten-free cracker option. Individual prayer for comfort, strength, and encouragement is offered in the prayer corner during Communion and following the worship service.)

Communion Song "Down at the Cross"

Burgundy Book Hymn 72

Text: Elisha A. Hoffman, 1839-1929; Music: GLORY TO HIS NAME, John H. Stockton, 1813-1877 *

The Communion Blessing

THE SENDING

The Benediction

Sending Song "How Great Is Our God"

Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, Jesse Reeves 2004 Rising Springs Music (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing) *

How great is our God, sing with me how great is our God,

All will see how great, how great is our God!

Name above all names, he is worthy of our praise,

And my heart will sing how great is our God.

Your name is above all names. (echo) You're worthy of all our praise. (echo)

Mighty are the works of your hands! (echo) (2x)

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

We are sent out to love and serve our neighbors in Jesus' name, using gifts of time, talent, and treasure God's given us. An offering box is located at the entrance of the sanctuary for financial gifts to support the ministry of Peace Lutheran Church.