Service of Worship
September 20, 2020 10:00am
3rd Sunday in the Season of Peace

Gathering

PRELUDE
Carrie DeVries, pianist

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (spoken together)
The time for harvest is close at hand and
what have we done with the gifts God has given us?
We have re-made our lives for the work of God.
Praise God for the gifts and for opportunities for service that they represent.
We praise God for all the ways in which our lives have been blessed.
Loving God, accept our praise and gratitude.

SINGING
“Hear Our Praises”
Morgan

“Family Song”
Hampton

CHILDREN’S TIME

PRAYER OF THE DAY
Compassionate God, Jesus was born among us poor, humble and dependent.
Open our eyes and our hearts and our hands to honor him now as our Lord and King
by welcoming him in those who are hungry and thirsty,
in all who are abandoned and lonely,
in refugees, in the poor and the sick.
Let our love become free and spontaneous,
like the tenderness you have shown us in Jesus.
Welcome us in the everlasting Kingdom
prepared for us through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST
One: May the peace of Christ be with you.
All: And also with you and all others!

ANTHEM
“Follow You”
Praise Team

Equipping

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 25:31-46
(Matthew 25:31-46 (Common English Bible)
“Now when the Human One comes in his majesty and all his angels are with him, he will sit on his majestic throne. All the nations will be gathered in front of him. He will separate them from each other, just as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on his right side. But the goats he will put on his left. “Then the king will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who will receive good things from my Father. Inherit the kingdom that was prepared for you before the world began. I was hungry and you gave me food to eat. I was thirsty and you gave me a drink. I was a stranger and you welcomed me. I was naked and you gave me clothes to wear. I was sick and you took care of me. I was in prison and you visited me.’ “Then those who are righteous will reply to him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you a drink? When did we see you as a stranger and welcome you, or naked and give you clothes to wear? When did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?’ “Then the king will reply to them, ‘I assure you that when you have done it for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you have done it for me.’ “Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Get away from me, you who will receive terrible things. Go into the unending fire that has been prepared for the devil and his angels. I was hungry and you didn’t give me food to eat. I was thirsty and you didn’t give me anything to drink. I was a stranger and you didn’t welcome me. I was naked and you didn’t give me clothes to wear. I was sick and in prison, and you didn’t visit me.’ “Then they will reply, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison and didn’t do anything to help you?’ Then he will answer, ‘I assure you that when you haven’t
done it for one of the least of these, you haven’t done it for me.’ And they will go away into eternal punishment. But the righteous ones will go into eternal life.”

SERMON  
“Peace & Community”  
Rev. Sue Trigger

Sending

A CALL TO STEWARDSHIP/A CONVERSATION WITH STEWART

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SINGING  
“Give Thanks”  
Smith

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE  
“Go Now in Peace”  
Sleeth

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May the God of peace give you peace at all times in all ways.

— 2 Thessalonians 3:16
The Washington Correctional Center for Women is both the largest and the only maximum and medium security prison for women in the state. It’s surrounded by barbed wire, and while the women within the prison may be separated from the world, they are not separated from God’s love. Thanks to the work of dynamic Presbyterian leaders, a new and unique worshiping community, Hagar’s Community Church, is thriving inside this fortress of concrete and steel and is supported by congregations like Skyline Presbyterian Church in nearby Tacoma.

“We are helping women process and handle their incarceration through God’s love and guidance, and we want this to be a healthy, sustained ministry,” explained Rev. Lane Brubaker, pastor of Hagar’s Community Church.

“I think there’s a lot of room for more worshiping communities like this to be established,” she continued. “All of us should be listening to God to find where these worshiping communities are needed in all sorts of different unique places.”

By giving to the Peace & Global Witness Offering, we work to share Christ’s peace with one another, beyond our doors, beyond our community and across boundaries. Together we are building God’s house where everyone is welcome; where all can find compassion, peace and justice.

**Together we are building God’s Household of Peace**

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**25%**

of this Offering stays with our congregation to support peacemaking and reconciliation in our own community.

**25%**

of this Offering will go to our mid council, joining with other congregations in our area to support peacemaking work in our region.

**50%**

of this Offering supports the work for peace and reconciliation being done by Presbyterians across the globe.

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