

Everyday Worship



Week of
Sept 8

Peace

Sharing the Peace

Matthew 5:23-25 *So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison.*

Colossians 3:12-17 *As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.*

CARING CONVERSATION:

- Connect & reflect on how "Sunday connects to Monday" and beyond for you. . .
- We share the peace weekly and freely in worship, yet not as often as a practice in our daily lives. . . what does sharing the peace look like in your home/work/school/world?
- Think of a time of intentional reconciliation that you have witnessed or experienced. . . what struck you? What might you have done differently?
- Perhaps you have a relationship that needs some reconciliation. how might you "share the peace" with that person(s)?

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Week of
Sept 15

Mercy

Kyrie Eleison, Lord Have Mercy

Matthew 15:22-28 *Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon. But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away for she keeps shouting after us.: He answered, " I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.*

CARING CONVERSATION:

- Connect & reflect on how last week's discussion influenced your week.
- Who has shown you mercy? To whom do you show mercy?
- When do you need mercy? How have you experienced mercy?
- How is fear and prejudice of those who are different, or "other" causing pain, hatred and suffering in our world today.
- Reflecting on this story of the Canaanite woman, how will your week be shaped differently?

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Week of
Sept 22

Praise

Hymn of Praise

Psalm 150 *Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty firmament! Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his surpassing greatness! Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp! Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe! Praise him with clanging cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals! Let everything that breathes praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!*

1st Chronicles 16:23-31 *Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Tell of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples. For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; he is to be revered above all gods. For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the Lord made the heavens. Honor and majesty are before him; strength and joy are in his place. Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come before him. Worship the Lord in holy splendor; tremble before him, all the earth. The worlds firmly established; it shall never be moved. Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice, and let them say among the nations, " The Lord is king!"*

CARING CONVERSATION:

- Connect & reflect on how last week's discussion influenced your week.
- In our everyday world, what are other ways to praise God?
- How do you most naturally praise God during the week?
- When has it been difficult to praise God? What challenges or stretches you?
- What is one new way of praising God you can try this week?

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Week of
Sept 29

Word

Scripture & Sermon

John 1 *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. . . And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.*

Psalm 119:105 *Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.*

CARING CONVERSATION:

- Connect & reflect on how last week's discussion influenced your week.
- Words have power, share a time when someone's words had a big impact on you, good or bad.
- What word or words stand out to you? How have words from worship or scripture lingered with you through the week?
- How can you be a light to others this week?
- How does God's word shape your life?

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Week of
Oct 6

Meal

Holy Communion

1 Corinthians 11:23-25 *For I received from the Lord that what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup, also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.*

CARING CONVERSATION:

- Connect & reflect on how last week's discussion influenced your week.
- Share a time when a meal was especially meaningful for you in your life. Who was there?
- When has a welcome/invitation mattered most to you or inspired you to include others?
- With whom might you share a meal this week (or in the coming weeks)? Why?

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Week of
Oct 13

Give

Offering

Deuteronomy 6:3-9 *Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe them diligently, so that it may go well with you, and so that you may multiply greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, as the Lord, the God of your ancestors, has promised you. Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.*

CARING CONVERSATION:

- Connect & reflect on how last week's discussion influenced your week.
- Who has modeled generosity to you in your life?
- Why do we as people of God need to give generously?
- How can you think about giving of your time/talent/treasure differently this week?
- How is generosity a blessing in one's life?

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Week of
Oct 20

Bless

Benediction & Sending

Numbers 6:22-27 *The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them, The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.*

CARING CONVERSATION:

- Connect & reflect on how last week's discussion influenced your week.
- Describe how you hear and receive the Benediction.
- What have been/are "blessings in disguise" in your life?
- In what ways have you been blessed to be a blessing to others?
- How can you be a blessing to others this week in what you do? (Challenge: find three people)
- What blessings and affirmations can you offer others this week by what you say?

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A LIVING SACRIFICE

Romans 12:1-2

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual/worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God what is good and acceptable and perfect.

for use with families, EDGE groups, (Every Day God Encounter), small groups/Bible studies, and for personal devotions

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