



**THIRSTY  
VOICES**

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We, the members of Peace United Church of Christ, believe that we are called to be a congregation of grace and welcome to all of God's children:

- to celebrate every person as a child of God, created in God's image.
- to love all as God has first loved us.
- to acknowledge the presence of, and offer healing to the wounds of oppression, injustice, prejudice, and hate, and to stand with those who are left out.

Following Christ's example, we welcome and include everyone in all aspects of life, leadership, and ministry of the church. We affirm persons of all races, nationalities, sexual orientations, gender identities, family structures, physical or mental abilities, political stances, faith backgrounds and socio-economic status.

In the way of Jesus, we stand against acts of hate and violence in all their forms.

Therefore, we declare ourselves to be an Open and Affirming Congregation, where an extravagant welcome and grace are extended to all, and each person's gifts are celebrated, welcomed, nurtured and blessed, that all may be one. Amen.

*Approved by Peace Church 10/20/2019*

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Peace United Church of Christ  
Rev. Eric Kirkegaard  
15 March 2020  
Third Sunday of Lent

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## *WELCOME VISITORS*

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Please take a moment to complete a Guest Information Card in the pew racks in front of you and place the card in the offering plate.  
**Large Print Bulletins and Hearing Assistance Devices are available from the ushers.**

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## *PRAYER REQUESTS*

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As we gather together as one family in Jesus Christ, we covenant to hold one another's joys and concerns.

Please share your prayers with us by writing them on the "Prayer Request" slip found in the pew in front of you and return them to the usher or place them in the offering plate. Thank you.

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## *WORSHIP SERVICE*

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Prelude

Greetings - Prayer Requests – A Time of Centering

↑ 🎵 Hymn # 649 "Gather Us In"

Turning Our Hearts to God – Psalm 95

Leader: May the grace and peace of our  
Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: O come, let us sing to the  
LORD; let us make a joyful noise  
to the rock of our salvation!

**People: Let us come into his presence  
with thanksgiving; let us make  
a joyful noise to him with  
songs of praise!**

Leader: For the LORD is a great God,  
and a great King above all gods.

**People: In his hand are the depths of  
the earth; the heights of the  
mountains are his also.**

Leader: The sea is his, for he made it,  
and the dry land, which his hands  
have formed.

**People: O come, let us worship and  
bow down, let us kneel before  
the LORD, our Maker! For he is  
our God, and we are the people  
of his pasture, and the sheep  
of his hand.**

Leader: O that today you would listen to  
his voice! Do not harden your  
hearts, as at Meriba, as on the  
day at Massah in the wilderness,

when your ancestors tested me,  
and put me to the proof, though  
they had seen my work. For forty  
years I loathed that generation  
and said, “They are a people  
whose hearts go astray, and they  
do not regard my ways.”

Therefore in my anger I swore,  
“They shall not enter my rest.”

***All: We come humbled, we come  
longing, we come together  
again to worship our Lord!***

Confessing and Receiving Forgiveness  
We reach deep within our hearts and  
offer our confession to you, O God:

*Silence for reflection and self-  
examination:*

We pray: **God of gentle mercy, we  
confess before you and each other  
that we have been unfaithful to you.  
We too easily fail to trust in your  
abundance, in a spirit that would  
quench our souls always. We hold**

**our brokenness tightly and don't allow your healing love to release us for new life. We too easily allow our prejudice, and quick assumptions, to divide us from the neighbors we have in you.**

**Beloved Lord, we sin against you in thought, word and deed, by what we do and by what we leave undone. Forgive us, renew us, and strengthen us, that each day we may more fully trust in your ways and become Your holy people. We pray: *“Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.”***

♪ Kyrie Eleison “Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us”

**Lord have mercy upon us,  
Christ have mercy upon us,  
Lord have mercy upon us.**

*(During Lent we sing Kyrie Eleison as a reminder of our need for God's mercy and the promise of God's gift of love and forgiveness.)*

Receiving Forgiveness

God hears our plea. God's love reaches out to us. God's promise is forgiveness for all who turn their hearts toward God and ask. Through the love of our Lord Jesus Christ you are forgiven. Christ has offered us life and new life. Feel his touch and walk in his light anew. **Amen.**

↑ The Passing of the Peace

Peace be with you

**And also with you**

(9:30) Anthem “Jesus Paid It All” Helvey  
The Churchmen

The Children's Time - As the children come forward, please sing ♪ Hymn

#226 “Jesus Loves Me, This I Know”  
vs. 1

***(Both Services) The Sacrament of  
Baptism***

This morning we receive into the  
Christian family:

8:00 a.m. – Elyse Emily Jones, daughter  
of Amber & Matt Jones

9:30 a.m. – Sophia Rae Schlice,  
daughter of TJ & Jessica Schlice

**↑All: We receive this child in Christ’s  
name as we have been received,  
promising to support him with  
constant love, wholesome  
example, Christian teaching and  
faithful prayer. We promise to  
his parents our friendship in  
Christ, gladly sharing in the  
burdens and joys of Christian  
nurture.**

**♪ Hymn #680 “Borning Cry”**

O.T. Lesson Exodus 17:1-7 (Page 55)

Epistle Romans 5:1-11 (Page 860)



Sermon

Offertory(8:00 a.m.) “Jesus Paid It All”  
The Churchmen

↑  **The Doxology-**

**Praise God from whom all  
blessings flow,**

**Praise God, all creatures here  
below:**

**Praise God for all that love has  
done:**

**Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.**

↑ Prayer of Dedication (in unison)

**We offer these gifts as a sign of our  
yearnings to reflect your love in the  
world. Humbly guide us in offering  
our whole selves to you and to your  
witness. Amen.**

Pastoral Prayer - Silent Prayer

Benediction

Leader: Deep peace of the running wave  
to you.

Deep peace of the flowing air to you.

Deep peace of the quiet earth to you.

Deep peace of the shining light to you.

Deep peace of the Son of Peace to you.

... Go in peace, serve the Lord.

**People: We go to love and to serve,  
for we are the church! Thanks  
be to God!**

Announcements

↑ 🎵 Hymn #714 “Shalom, My Friends”  
(all three verses)

Postlude

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***SERVING TODAY***

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Greeters:(8) Heidi Rodenkirch, Pam  
Strickland (9:30) Taylor, Ellie & Logan  
O'Brien-Flasch

Litanists:(8) (9:30) Jerry O'Connor

Organist: Karla Spaits

Ushers: (8) John Kletti, Clark Peterson  
(9:30) Christ Gudex

Thank you!

**On March 22, litanists, greeters, and  
ushers are needed for both worship  
services. Please sign-up on the  
sheets located on the parking lot  
lobby bulletin board.**

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## *CALENDAR – WEEK OF MARCH 8*

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- March 15 8:00 a.m. Baptism of Elyse  
Emily Jones  
9:30 a.m. Baptism of Sophia  
Rae Schlice  
10:50 a.m. Youth Choir
- March 17 7:00 p.m. Adult Faith  
Formation
- March 18 8:00 a.m. - XYZ Club  
3:30 p.m. Confirmation  
7:30 p.m. - Lenten Service
- March 19 Pastor Eric out of office 3/19  
after bible study through 3/23  
9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study
- March 20 Deadline for April Tidings

**Fridays and Saturdays are Pastor Eric's scheduled days off.**

Lectionary for March 22: 1 Samuel  
16:1-13 • Psalm 23 • Ephesians 5:8-14 •  
John 9:1-41

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## *ANNOUNCEMENTS*

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**The Altar Flowers** are given today to the glory of God by Blaine and Lisa Atwater. The roses on the altar celebrates the baptisms of Elyse Emily Jones and Sophia Rae Schlice.

### **Ecumenical Lenten Services**

Theme: "Speak Lord, Your Servant is Listening"

**March 18<sup>th</sup> – Host: St. James  
Episcopal**

Speaker: Rev. Bob Wells

**March 25<sup>th</sup> – Host: Cedar Ridge**

Speaker: Fr. Howard Haase

**April 1<sup>st</sup> – Host: Fifth Ave. United  
Methodist**

Speaker: Rev. Eric Kirkegaard

**ALL SERVICES ARE FROM 12:15-  
12:45 P.M.**

## **Women@Peace – Lambeau Field**

**Experience** All members of the congregation are encouraged to join a late-spring outing to Green Bay on Thursday, April 23. Enjoy a tour of the historic Lambeau Field Stadium, Green Bay Packers Hall of Fame, and lunch in the 1919 Kitchen and Tap, located in the stadium. Additional time will be available to check out the Packers Pro Shop for your favorite green and gold merchandise. The group cost for both tours is \$20 for seniors, \$22 for other adults. Lunch will be off the menu. With enough interest, we will rent a motor coach for an additional cost. If not, we will rely on carpooling. Tentative departure time is 8:00 a.m. with return around 5:00 p.m. If you are interested, please sign up on the bulletin board or fill out a “Count Me In” card and return to the offering plate or baskets provided at the entrances. Questions? Please call the church office 626-4011. Go, Pack, Go!!!

**Finding Hope** - “Finding Hope” is a new grief and loss support ministry of Peace Church that will meet on Wednesday, March 18th from 9:30-11:00 a.m. in the youth room at church. If you have experienced or are experiencing grief from loss due to the death of a loved one, loneliness, significant life or health changes, or other events in your life, you are warmly invited to attend this gathering. We sincerely hope you will consider attending. Together, we can encourage one another, call on God’s abundant compassion and grace, and assist one another in finding hope. Questions? Call the church office at 626-4011.

**Easter Flowers** - This year we again invite you to order flowers for Easter (lily plants, tulip plants, daffodil plants, or hyacinth plants) through Peace Church. These plants may be ordered in memory of loved ones, in honor of special moments or persons, or just love gifts. They will be placed in church on Easter

Sunday. After the 9:30 a.m. service you may take your plant home to enjoy or designate that it be delivered to a shut-in. Cost: \$16.00 per plant. Order deadline is March 29<sup>th</sup>. Order forms can be found on the bulletin board near the south entrance. As always, volunteers will be needed to deliver plants to shut-ins. Please contact Robin in the church office if you can help.

**Beautify Our Church** – The Trustees of Peace Church invite you to come and help Beautify Peace Church on Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, with a rain date of Saturday, May 2. We will be raking, mulching, cleaning the parking lot, and trimming bushes. Clean-up will start at 9:00 a.m. and we should be finished around noon.

**Prayer Shawl Group** needs yarn for:

- Mittens, hats, scarves: “Red Heart” 4-ply knitting, worsted yarn. Any amount.

- Prayer shawls: “Homespun” – 3 skeins of the same dye lot, colorful yarn preferred.

Interested in knitting? Please call Nancy Panzer at 262-626-2817

## **Upcoming Peace Church Habitat for Humanity trips:**

- High School Youth Habitat Trip – June 8-13

Each year we are given many different opportunities to share in God’s ministry with our hands and hearts. For many of us working with Habitat is one of the highlights of our year. It always feels so good to live our faith, to help someone, to accomplish something lasting and meaningful, and to share in great fellowship, worship, and study with some real terrific people. We will be going to Frankfort, Indiana. Sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board near the parking lot entrance.



- Adult Habitat Trip: July 5-10, location TBD
- Young Adult Habitat Trip: January 3-11, location TBD

**Reach Out!** - Many members and friends of Peace Church currently serve our country in the armed forces. The latest member to join is Maggie Singer. Maggie is currently at boot camp in South Carolina and would love to receive cards or letters from the Peace Church congregation! If you would like to send some cheer to Maggie – her address is:

Pvt. Singer, Margrette  
C Co. 3-34 Inf. Reg 165<sup>th</sup> BDE  
3<sup>rd</sup> Platoon, Mayhem  
11953 Golden Arrow Rd.  
Fort Jackson, SC 29207

If you know of a service member who would appreciate hearing from Peace Church, please let the office know!

**Movies & Munchies**-Come and join us for our spring Movies and Munchies before we break for the summer.

On March 27th we will see the film *A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood* starring Tom Hanks. This is the movie that makes you want to be a better person. It explains the importance people have in each other's lives and how much we depend on one another. The movie begins at 7pm. Bring some new friends along! If you have any questions, please call Diane Stangl at 262-483-5699.

### **Women@Peace – March Event**

On March 25, 2020, the Women@Peace group will be touring the Wisconsin Museum of Quilts & Fiber Arts located in Cedarburg. The Wisconsin Museum of Quilts & Fiber Arts is the only museum devoted to the creation, preservation, and education of fiber art in Wisconsin. Located in a fully restored 1850s barn, groups of all ages

enjoy exhibitions featuring a wide variety of fiber art.

In addition to the barn, the property includes the original 19<sup>th</sup> century summer kitchen/blacksmith shop, lambing shed, chicken coop, pump/icehouse, and farmhouse.

They have partnered with local artists and craftspeople to stock the Gift Shop with fun, unique, and fabulous gifts in a range of prices.

**All are welcome to join us...men too!**

- Cost is \$20 per person, includes box lunch \*(see menu below)-must be paid in advance.
- Barn and restrooms are fully wheelchair/ADA accessible
- 10:00 a.m. tour, carpooling departure from Peace Church parking lot will be 9:15 a.m.

**\*LUNCH MENU: (choose 1 option)**

Option 1 - Mandarin Cashew Crunch Salad with Chicken (greens, tomato, cucumber, carrot, cashews, mandarin oranges, and chicken; served with sesame honey dressing)

Option 2 - Ham and Swiss Wrap (ham, tomato, Swiss cheese, and mustard mayo on a whole wheat tortilla)

Option 3 - Turkey Sandwich (sliced turkey with tomatoes, cucumbers, and provolone cheese with Ranch dressing. Flax Bread or Millet bread are available for no extra cost.)

Please sign-up and make payment by Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>. Sign-up sheet available on bulletin board or fill out a "Count Me In" card . You can also call Peace Church office at 262-626-4011.

## **Egg Cartons Needed – Peace**

Church's Sunday School program needs egg cartons. Please bring to church before April 5, 2020. Thanks!

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### ***BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES***

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#### **Happy Birthday**

#### **March 15 – March 21**

March 15 Kathy Hughes, Melinda Sargent

March 16 Cheryl Novotny, Diane Stangl, Donna Steinhardt

March 18 Logan O'Brien-Flasch, Robert Schreffler, Trent Webster

March 19 Nicole Brei, Robert Neumann (81)

March 20 Michael Schmidt (83)

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### ***PRAYER LIST***

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**Please let us know of any updates to the Prayer Lists.**

**Those in Need of Healing:** All shut-ins and all those experiencing pain or loss

**Members:**

Harvey Brodzeller

Debbie Butzlaff

Barry Clark

Marion Doms

Gary Fisher

Betty Graff

Les Martin

Robert Neumann

Don Neitzel

Mitch Ogi

Doc Ogi

Heidi Rodenkirch

Carol Sedgwick

Betty Skaug

Cherie Singer

Alec Taylor

Greg Vorpahl

Bev Winninghoff

**Friends & Family:**

Rose Ambler

(Hallen)

Ruth Betts (M.

McFadden)

Caelyb (Bocher)

Debbie (Hallen)

Larry Haas

(Lemke)

Eric Haas (Lemke)

Heidi (C. Manthei)

Sue Heiser

(Rodenkirch)

Jeremy Heiser

(Rodenkirch)

Mason Hollbrook

(Bocher)

Robin Kann

(Atwater)

Bernie Kiefer

(Lehmann)

Valeri Knurr

(Kletti)

Bonnie  
Laufenberg  
(Lemke)  
Mrs. Muckerhide  
Curt Rauch  
(Rauch)  
Donnie (Rauch)  
Babette Rhoads  
(Rhoads)  
Ashlyn Roecker  
(Becker)

Ron Scheid  
(Liepert)  
Bill Schuster (D.  
Stangl)  
Charlie Straub (J.  
Becker)  
Louise Steuerwald  
(Bocher)  
Ann Thill (Mertz)  
Sue Volm

Please keep us updated. Concerns will  
be listed for 6 weeks.

### **Those Dealing with Cancer:**

**Members:** Ron Skaug Laurie Struck

### **Friends & Family:**

Gary & Evelyn  
Beaupre  
Kim Breit  
Jean Cornell  
(Herriges)  
Nephew of Beck  
Ehmer  
Kerri Estep  
(Atwater)

Ron Geurts  
(Stern)  
Paula Hader  
(Adler)  
Norm Hughes (K.  
Hughes)  
Sheri Theep (Van  
Beek)

Dennis Jacak  
(Manthei/Rauch)  
Jan (D. Stangl)  
Rev. Kathryn  
O'Connor Kuhn  
(O'Connor and  
Kuhn)  
Sue Mitchell  
(Rhoads)

Sharon Rosbeck  
(Herriges)  
Dennis Liepert (J.  
Michaels)  
Steve Siebenaler  
(J. Manthei)  
Susan Tolonen  
(Lindgren)  
Russell Will (Will)

## **Those Serving our Country**



**Thank you** to the following who  
are currently serving in the  
**Armed Forces**, for their

courage, strength and dedication to  
keeping us safe:

Julia (Leithold) Beasley (Air Force)

Sgt. Tyler Graff (Air Force – Betty Graff  
grandson)

Spencer Guenther (Air Force – Van Ess  
nephew)

Kyle Henk (Army)

Matthew Jankowski (Army National  
Guard – Jackie McCurdy grandson)

Luke Linden (Army National Guard –  
Joanne Amerling grandson)



Major Erik Rundquist (Army)  
Maggie Singer (Army National Guard)  
Dallas Stolowski (Marine Corp. – Knoth  
grandson)  
Ryan Wunsch (Army National Guard –  
McElhatton son-in-law)  
Samuel Zemlicka-Retzlaff (Air Force)

**Our Covenanted Partner in Ministry:**  
Rev. Gretchen Martin who serves the  
wider church through her work with the  
North Carolina Organ Donor Network.

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INFORMATION***

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pastor@peace-ucc.org

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Minister 920-279-0816

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**Save the Date**  
**SEA Annual Meeting:**  
**Healing in Divisive Times**

**April 25, 2020**

Christ Church, Bayview

Keynote Speaker:

Pardeep Singh Kaleka, Executive Director  
Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee

Healing in the aftermath of Hate Our story is one of many who journey to a new land in the hope that our life will be better than the one we would have led if we stayed. It is the story of the immigrant and the American Dream. Only thing was that our American Dream was

severely interrupted on August 5, 2012 when a white-supremacist neo-nazi skinhead entered our most sacred spiritual center and killed 6 worshippers that day, one of them being my father and Temple President, Satwant Singh Kaleka. While this attack at our most vulnerable devastated our small minority community, it also galvanized us and connected us to a broader spiritual community and taught us the importance of creating an interfaith landscape. This transformation however did not happen overnight. We engaged in a process of communal healing in an effort to teach the world that we are more than what happens to us. In grief, we realized that healing is both individual and communal. I also learned that in order to heal, we must be lovingly challenged to get to a better space. The man who challenged my personal trauma was the most unlikely ally, Arno Michaelis, the man who started the skinhead neo-nazi organization that the shooter pledged allegiance to. The greatest lesson that I learned from Arno is that “hurt people, hurt people,” because pain that is not processed is

either transferred or consumed. This understanding allowed for a forgiveness to settle in my heart which in turn allowed me to be free and regain power over my life. Today, I am a husband, a father of 4 beautiful children, a community leader, trauma therapist, author, and Director of the Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee. It is clear that the journey to post traumatic growth requires a process that we co-create with the world. And while I cannot say what another person's healing journey should look like; I can tell you that maybe we need to give genuine forgiveness a chance in our spiritual journeys as individuals and communities. In a world that seems to be tearing itself at the seams, divided by identity, becoming more intolerant, xenophobic, and spiritually ill, it is essential that we need healers. This is done with the steadfast belief that the moral arc of the universe bends to the good, the light. We must all embody that light and remain committed to betterment. Biography Executive Director of Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee, Founder of Serve2Unite, Published Author of "The Gifts

of Our Wounds,” and Clinician specializing in utilizing a trauma-informed approach to treat survivors and perpetrators of assault, abuse and acts of violence. A native of Punjab, India, Pardeep Singh Kaleka grew up in Milwaukee, WI. As a former Police Officer and Educator in the city of Milwaukee, Pardeep understands the difficulty facing our communities locally and abroad. Both in his practice and out, Pardeep's passion remains one of healing and transformation. An example of this is Serve2Unite, an organization he co-founded in response to tragedy and works alongside Arno Michaelis, Global Peacemaker. This organization engages communities in building healthy social fabric and communal identity to address conflict from a trauma-informed lens. Over the past 7 years, the work of Serve2Unite has been locally and internationally recognized.

## Gather Us In

*Unison*  $D$   $\frac{A}{C\#}$   $C$   $G$   $\frac{Gm}{Bb}$   $Dm$

1 Here in this place, the new light is stream-ing, shad-ows of doubt are  
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys-tery; we are the old, who  
 3 Here we re-ceive new life in the wa-ters; here we re-ceive the  
 4 Not just in build-ings, small and con-fin-ing, not in some heav-en,

$C$   $G$   $D$   $\frac{A}{C\#}$   $C$   $G$

van-ish-ed a-way. See in this space our fears and our dream-ings,  
 yearn for your face. We have been sung through-out all of his-tory,  
 bread of new birth; here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,  
 light years a-way, here in this place the new light is shin-ing;

$\frac{Gm}{Bb}$   $Dm$   $C$   $Am7$   $D$

brought here to you in the light of this day.  
 called to be light to the whole hu-man race.  
 call us a-new to be salt for the earth.  
 now is God pres-ent, and now is the day.

$A$   $\frac{C}{G}$   $\frac{D}{F\#}$   $G$   $A$   $\frac{C}{G}$

Gath-er us in, the lost and for-sak-en; gath-er us in; our  
 Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty; gath-er us in, the  
 Give us to drink the wine of com-pas-sion; give us to eat the  
 Gath-er us in and hold us for-ev-er; gath-er us in and

$\frac{D}{F\#}$ 
G
A
D
 $\frac{A}{C\#}$ 
C
G

spir - its in - flame. Call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en;  
 proud and the strong; give us a heart so meek and so low - ly;  
 bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion  
 make us your own; gath - er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,

$\frac{Gm}{Bb}$ 
Dm
C
Am7
D
 $\frac{C}{D}$ 
 $\frac{Bb}{D}$ 
D

we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.  
 give us the cour-age to en - ter the song.  
 lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.  
 fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

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## Borning Cry

Unison G Gmaj7  $\frac{Am}{G}$  G  $\frac{Am}{G}$  Gmaj7  $\frac{Am}{G}$

1 I was there to hear your born - ing cry, I'll be  
 2 When you heard the won - der of the Word I was  
 3 In the mid - dle a - ges of your life, not too

G Gmaj7  $\frac{Am}{G}$  G  $\frac{Am6}{G}$

there when you are old. I re - joiced the day you  
 there to cheer you on. You were raised to praise the  
 old, no long - er young, I'll be there to guide you

G  $\frac{Am}{G}$  G  $\frac{C}{E}$  Am7 D7sus D7 G (Fine)

were bap - tized to see your life un - fold.  
 liv - ing Lord to whom you now be - long.  
 through the night, com - plete what I've be - gun.

C  $\frac{G}{B}$  Am G

I was there when you were but a child with a  
 If you find some - one to share your time, and you  
 When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you



Am D D9 G Am  $\frac{G}{B}$  C2  $\frac{Am6}{C}$

faith to suit you well; in a blaze of light you  
 join your hearts as one, I'll be there to make your  
 shut your wear - y eyes, I'll be there as I have

Bm7 Em A  $\frac{G}{A}$   $\frac{F\#m}{A}$   $\frac{Em}{A}$  D D7

wan - dered off to find where de - mons dwell.  
 vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun.  
 al - ways been with just one more sur - prise. *D.C. (vs. 1) al fine*

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## Shalom, My Friends

### Shalom Chaverim

- 1 Sha - lom, my friends, sha - lom, my friends, sha - lom, sha - lom.  
 1 *Sha - lom cha-ve-rim, sha - lom cha-ve-rim, sha - lom, sha - lom.*  
 2 Share peace, dear friends, share peace, dear friends, God's peace, God's peace.

WORDS: Israeli round; English tr. Donald P. Hustad (1918-)

MUSIC: Hebrew melody

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- Sha - lom, my friends, sha - lom, my friends, sha - lom, sha - lom.  
*Sha - lom cha-ve-rim, sha - lom cha-ve-rim, sha - lom, sha - lom.*  
 Share peace, dear friends, share peace, dear friends, God's peace, God's peace.

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March 15, 2020

John 4:5-42

## Thirsty Voices *Amistad Sunday*

*Your people are thirsty for justice, Holy God. Hear our cry.*

On this *Amistad Sunday*, we remember those who thirsted for justice aboard the slave ship *Amistad*. We remember how women, children and men were stolen from their homes, were loaded like cargo onto a ship, were mocked and tortured. We remember the horrors of that terrible voyage and we say never again will the cry for justice go unanswered.

*Your people are thirsty for justice, Holy God. Hear our cry.*

We remember how those imprisoned aboard the *Amistad* were strangers to each other, and did not even speak the same language, yet still worked together to plan and execute an escape. We remember how the prisoners took control of the ship. We remember how the ship *Amistad* was then captured a second time, and how those children of God were imprisoned once again, this time on American soil. We remember the indignity of imprisonment and we say never again will the cry for justice go unanswered.

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We remember how a legal battle then began, to send those imprisoned on the *Amistad* home to the African soil from which they had been stolen. We remember those, many of them our ancestors in faith, who worked for justice both from within and outside of prison bars. We remember those who have fought for freedom from unjust confinement and we say never again will the cry for justice go unanswered.

*Your people are thirsty for justice, Holy God. Hear our cry.*

We remember and give thanks for these, our ancestors in faith who fought for freedom from sea and land. We celebrate their courage and we honor their dedication. We join them here and now as we say with one voice that never again will the cry for justice go unanswered.

*Your people are thirsty for justice, Holy God. Hear our cry, now and forever. Amen.*

Find out more about the *Amistad* case of 1839 at the National Archives:

<https://www.archives.gov/education/lessons/amistad>

