

The Biblical Witness to Peacemaking ~ 2018/2019

A 3-year daily lectionary bearing witness to God's gift of peace and Christ's call to live as peacemakers

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TOGETHER AS GOD'S CHILDREN

(Week of October 7 –13)

Sunday – Romans 12:1-8
Monday – Isaiah 2:2-4
Tuesday – 1 John 4:7-12
Wednesday – Romans 11:13-24
Thursday – Colossians 3:1-11
Friday – Psalm 33
Saturday – 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

TURNING SWORDS INTO PLOWSHARES

(Week of October 14 –20)

Sunday – Micah 4:1-4
Monday – Hosea 2:16-23
Tuesday – Luke 22:47-51
Wednesday – Amos 9:13-15
Thursday – James 4:1-10
Friday – Isaiah 66:18-23
Saturday – Zechariah 9:9-10

GOD'S INTENTION FOR CREATION

(Week of October 21 – 27)

Sunday – Genesis 1:26-31
Monday – Ezekiel 34:25-31
Tuesday – Exodus 20:8-17
Wednesday – Romans 1:16-23
Thursday – Isaiah 45:5-18
Friday – Genesis 9:8-17
Saturday – Isaiah 42:5-12

RECONCILING THE WORLD

(Week of October 28 –November 3)

Sunday – Colossians 1:15-23
Monday – Acts 17:24-31
Tuesday – Isaiah 56:3-8
Wednesday – Jeremiah 31:7-14
Thursday – Isaiah 53:7-12
Friday – Isaiah 49:6-13
Saturday – Acts 10:44-48

THE COST OF STRIFE & DISOBEDIENCE

(Week of November 11—17)

Sunday – Ezekiel 7:23b-27
Monday – Matthew 21:33-46
Tuesday – Isaiah 33:7-9
Wednesday – Luke 13:31-35
Thursday – Isaiah 30:8-14
Friday – Genesis 4:1-16
Saturday – Malachi 2:1-12

REPENTING OF ARROGANCE

(Week of November 18 –24)

Sunday – Luke 14:7-11
Monday – 1 Samuel 2:1-10
Tuesday – Genesis 11:1-9
Wednesday – Isaiah 14:12-20
Thursday – Luke 18:9-14
Friday – Jonah 3:1-4:11
Saturday – Psalm 100

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

(Week of November 25 – December 1)

Sunday – Psalm 19
Monday – Philippians 4:4-7
Tuesday – Psalm 86:8-13
Wednesday – Psalm 95
Thursday – Mark 14:22-25
Friday – Psalm 111
Saturday – Jonah 2:1-10

WAITING FOR CHRIST THE REDEEMER

(Week of December 2 –8)

Sunday – Mark 1:1-8
Monday – Isaiah 63:7-9
Tuesday – Romans 3:21-26
Wednesday – Mark 5:1-20
Thursday – Isaiah 65:17-25
Friday – Psalm 62
Saturday – John 3:14-21

WAITING FOR CHRIST: HOPE FOR THE WORLD**(Week of December 9 –15)**

Sunday – Isaiah 35:1-10
 Monday – Luke 1:26-38
 Tuesday – Luke 1:39-56
 Wednesday – John 11:1-44
 Thursday – Micah 5:2-4
 Friday – Isaiah 40:1-5
 Saturday – Romans 5:1-11

WAITING FOR CHRIST: THE JUST ONE**(Week of December 16 – 22)**

Sunday – Luke 16:19-31
 Monday – Isaiah 11:1-9
 Tuesday – John 4:7-26
 Wednesday – Isaiah 42:1-4
 Thursday – Psalm 12
 Friday – John 13:1-16
 Saturday – Jeremiah 33:14-16

THE COMING OF CHRIST: OUR PEACE**(Week of December 23 –29)**

Sunday – Matthew 1:18-25
 Monday – Jeremiah 31:31-34
 Tuesday – Luke 1:57-80
 Wednesday – Isaiah 9:2-7
 Thursday – Luke 2:1-7
 Friday – Luke 2:8-20
 Saturday – Luke 2:22-40

PEACE THROUGH UPHOLDING ONE ANOTHER**(Week of December 30 – January 5)**

Sunday – Romans 15:1-13
 Monday – 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13
 Tuesday – Philippians 1:3-11
 Wednesday – 2 Corinthians 1:3-7
 Thursday – 3 John
 Friday – 1 Peter 4:8-11
 Saturday – Romans 14:13-23

PEACE COMES TO THOSE WHO FOLLOW JESUS**(Week of January 6 – 12)**

Sunday – Matthew 10:40—11:1
 Monday – 1 John 3:19-24
 Tuesday – Mark 6:30-44
 Thursday – Matthew 14:22-33
 Wednesday – Luke 8:40-56
 Friday – John 20:19-23
 Saturday – Galatians 3:23-29

JESUS: THE EMBODIMENT OF SHALOM**(Week of January 13 – 19)**

Sunday – John 1:1-18
 Monday – Ephesians 1:3-10
 Tuesday – Hebrews 1:1-4
 Wednesday – Matthews 2:1-12
 Thursday – Isaiah 61:1-4
 Friday – Romans 8:1-11
 Saturday – Revelation 11:15-18

LIVING A NEW AGE**(Week of January 20 – 26)**

Sunday – 2 Corinthians 5:16-21
 Monday – Psalm 96
 Tuesday – Revelation 21:1-5
 Wednesday – Romans 8:18-25
 Thursday – Isaiah 61:8—62:2
 Friday – 1 Corinthians 1:18-25
 Saturday – Isaiah 43:15-25

LIVING AS GOD’S CHILDREN**(Week of January 27 – February 2)**

Sunday – Matthew 25:31-46
 Monday – Romans 13:11-14
 Tuesday – 1 John 1:1-10
 Wednesday – 1 Thessalonians 5:12-28
 Thursday – Hebrews 13:1-6
 Friday – Romans 12:1-2, 9-21
 Saturday – Ephesians 4:1-7

LIVING THE GOOD NEWS OF PEACE**(Week of February 3 – 9)**

Sunday – Psalm 133
 Monday – John 8:12
 Tuesday – Zechariah 8:16-17
 Wednesday – Philippians 2:1-11
 Thursday – Matthew 18:15-22
 Friday – Ezekiel 37:24-28
 Saturday – Joel 2:28-29

SEEKING FIRST GOD’S REIGN**(Week of February 10 – 16)**

Sunday – Luke 12:22-31
 Monday – Jeremiah 1:4-10
 Tuesday – Psalm 63
 Thursday – Luke 17:20-21
 Wednesday – Matthew 10:34-39
 Friday – Psalm 84
 Saturday – Ephesians 6:10-20

WHAT DOES GOD REQUIRE?**(Week of February 17 – 23)**

Sunday – Micah 6:6-8
 Monday – Matthew 5:17-20
 Tuesday – 1 John 3:11-18
 Wednesday – Ezekiel 34:17-24
 Thursday – Isaiah 1:12-17
 Friday – Matthew 19:16-22
 Saturday – James 1:19-27

GOD REDEEMS US FROM OUR SINS**(Week of February 24 – March 2)**

Sunday – Luke 15:1-7
 Monday – Micah 7:18-20
 Tuesday – Luke 7:36-50
 Wednesday – Mark 2:1-12
 Thursday – Jeremiah 29:10-14
 Friday – Zephaniah 3:14-20
 Saturday – Psalm 130

PEACE IN THE MIDST OF TRIBULATIONS**(Week of March 3 – 9)**

Sunday – John 14:25-31
 Monday – Psalm 27
 Tuesday – Matthew 4:1-11
 Wednesday – Psalm 121
 Thursday – John 16:16-33
 Friday – Matthew 11:28-30
 Saturday – Luke 12:4-7

GOD IS TO BE TRUSTED**(Week of March 10 – 16)**

Sunday – Matthew 7:7-12
 Monday – Genesis 12:1-5
 Tuesday – Isaiah 55:6-13
 Wednesday – Jeremiah 17:5-8
 Thursday – Isaiah 26:1-9
 Friday – Psalm 89:1-18
 Saturday – Daniel 6:25-28

REPENTING OF GREED**(Week of March 17 – 23)**

Sunday – Luke 12:13-21
 Monday – Jeremiah 8:8-13
 Tuesday – Habakkuk 2:1-17
 Wednesday – Matthew 20:20-28
 Thursday – Amos 5:10-13
 Friday – Ezekiel 22:23-31
 Saturday – Jeremiah 5:21-29

PEACE THROUGH LOVE**(Week of March 24 – 30)**

Sunday – John 15:9-11
 Monday – 2 Peter 1:3-11
 Tuesday – Mark 12:28-34
 Wednesday – Galatians 5:13-15
 Thursday – 1 Peter 1:22-25
 Friday – John 13:33-35
 Saturday – Isaiah 54:9-10

REPENTING OF THE ILLUSION OF AUTONOMY**(Week of March 31 – April 6)**

Sunday – Deuteronomy 8:11-20
 Monday – Psalm 34
 Tuesday – 1 Peter 5:1-11
 Wednesday – Proverbs 9:10-11
 Thursday – Jeremiah 7:16-26
 Friday – Genesis 3:1-21
 Saturday – Psalm 139

PEACE THROUGH GOD'S REDEEMING ACTS**(Week of April 7 – 13)**

Sunday – Luke 19:28-42
 Monday – Ephesians 4:11-16
 Tuesday – Mark 14:12-25
 Wednesday – John 17:1-5
 Thursday – John 18:33-38
 Friday – Hebrews 10:14-18
 Saturday – Isaiah 53:1-6

PEACE INCLUDES JUSTICE**(Week of April 14 – 20)**

Sunday – Leviticus 19:9-18
 Monday – Isaiah 3:13-15
 Tuesday – 2 Samuel 12:1-15
 Wednesday – Psalm 82
 Thursday – Amos 5:1-7
 Friday – Isaiah 59:1-19
 Saturday – Ezekiel 18:5-9

CELEBRATING THE VICTORY**(Week of April 21 – 27)**

Sunday – Mark 16:1-8
 Monday – Romans 6:1-11
 Tuesday – Luke 15:8-10
 Wednesday – Hebrews 12:1-2
 Thursday – 1 Corinthians 15:3-11
 Friday – 1 Corinthians 15:20-26
 Saturday – 1 Corinthians 15:51-58

HOPING IN GOD**(Week of April 28 – May 4)**

Sunday – Matthew 6:25-34
 Monday – 1 Peter 2:9-10
 Tuesday – 2 Peter 3:8-18
 Wednesday – Nahum 1:12-15
 Thursday – Exodus 1:15-21
 Friday – Revelation 3:15-22
 Saturday – Isaiah 62:10-12

GOD GIVES THE GIFT OF PEACE**(Week of May 5 – 11)**

Sunday – Romans 8:31-39
 Monday – Psalm 90
 Tuesday – John 15:12-17
 Wednesday – Ephesians 1:15-23
 Thursday – Isaiah 40:9-11
 Friday – 1 John 3:1-3
 Saturday – Jeremiah 33:1-9

PEACEMAKING AND EVANGELIZING**(Week of May 12 – 18)**

Sunday – Isaiah 52:7-12
 Monday – Psalm 40:1-10
 Tuesday – 2 Timothy 4:1-5
 Wednesday – Luke 9:59-62
 Thursday – 2 Corinthians 4:1-6
 Friday – Acts 2:40-42
 Saturday – Isaiah 6:1-8

STEADFAST LOVE AND FAITHFULNESS**(Week of May 19 – 25)**

Sunday – John 14:15-24
 Monday – Psalm 85
 Tuesday – Luke 16:10-13
 Wednesday – 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
 Thursday – 1 John 4:13-21
 Friday – Psalm 103:1-5
 Saturday – 1 Timothy 6:11-16

PEACEMAKING THE COMMUNITY**(Week of May 26 – June 1)**

Sunday – Jeremiah 29:4-7
 Monday – Luke 14:12-14
 Tuesday – Matthew 15:10-20
 Wednesday – Mark 6:1-6
 Thursday – Hebrews 12:12-17
 Friday – 2 Kings 22:14—23:3
 Saturday – Luke 6:32-36

PRAISE THE LORD!**(Week of June 2 – 8)**

Sunday – Psalm 148
 Monday – Isaiah 40:18-26
 Tuesday – Revelation 4:1-8
 Wednesday – Isaiah 12:1-6
 Thursday – Daniel 4:1-3
 Friday – Isaiah 25:1-5
 Saturday – Psalm 98

POURING OUT THE SPIRIT**(Week of June 9 – 15)**

Sunday – Acts 2:1-21
 Monday – Matthew 3:11-12
 Tuesday – Acts 2:22-39
 Wednesday – Hebrews 1:5-14
 Thursday – Acts 2:40-47
 Friday – Matthew 12:15-21
 Saturday – Acts 9:1-19

WORKING TOGETHER FOR GOD'S REIGN**(Week of June 16 – 22)**

Sunday – Luke 8:1-3
 Monday – Philemon
 Tuesday – Romans 16:1-16
 Wednesday – Acts 11:1-18
 Thursday – Acts 11:19-30
 Friday – 1 Corinthians 12:27-30
 Saturday – Philippians 4:2-3

EXPERIENCING PEACE THROUGH HEALING**(Week of June 23 – 29)**

Sunday – Luke 17:11-19
 Monday – Mark 8:22-26
 Tuesday – Luke 6:17-19
 Wednesday – Mark 1:21-28
 Thursday – Mark 6:53-56
 Friday – Matthew 4:23-25
 Saturday – Matthew 9:35—10:1

GOD IS OUR REFUGE AND STRENGTH**(Week of June 30 – July 6)**

Sunday – Psalm 46
 Monday – Isaiah 40:27-31
 Tuesday – Mark 4:35-41
 Wednesday – Psalm 18:1-19
 Thursday – Isaiah 57:11-21
 Friday – Psalm 2
 Saturday – Psalm 91

REPENTING FALSE SECURITY**(Week of July 7 – 13)**

Sunday – Luke 12:32-34
Monday – Jeremiah 14:13-16
Tuesday – Deuteronomy 7:6-11
Wednesday – Isaiah 31:1-3
Thursday – Ezekiel 13:8-16
Friday – Matthew 3:7-10
Saturday – Luke 3:1-14

LET JUSTICE ROLL DOWN**(Week of July 14 – 20)**

Sunday – Amos 5:21-24
Monday – Luke 4:14-21
Tuesday – Micah 2:1-5
Wednesday – Amos 6:4-7
Thursday – Jeremiah 7:1-7
Friday – Deuteronomy 16:18-20
Saturday – Micah 3:5-12

PAYING THE PRICE FOR PEACE**(Week of July 21 – 27)**

Sunday – Luke 10:1-12
Monday – Mark 13:3-13
Tuesday – Mark 8:34—9:1
Wednesday – Matthew 8:18-22
Thursday – Acts 26:1-32
Friday – 2 Corinthians 11:24-33
Saturday – Deuteronomy 30:15-20

JOINING RIGHTEOUSNESS AND PEACE**(Week of July 28 – August 3)**

Sunday – Isaiah 26:7-12
Monday – Amos 5:14-15
Tuesday – James 3:13-18
Wednesday – Isaiah 32:1-8
Thursday – Proverbs 16:7-8
Friday – Isaiah 33:5-6
Saturday – Psalm 106:1-3

JESUS' ALTERNATIVE WAY**(Week of August 4 – 10)**

Sunday – Matthew 5:3-12
Monday – Matthew 5:21-22
Tuesday – Matthew 5:38-42
Wednesday – Matthew 5:43-48
Thursday – Matthew 7:1-5
Friday – Matthew 10:26-33
Saturday – Luke 6:37-38

FAITH AS FOUNDATION FOR PEACE**(Week of August 11 – 17)**

Sunday – Luke 7:1-10
Monday – Philippians 3:1-11
Tuesday – Matthew 15:21-28
Wednesday – 1 Peter 1:3-9
Thursday – Matthew 9:18-31
Friday – Ephesians 3:14-21
Saturday – James 1:2-6

PEACEMAKING IN ONE'S OWN LIFE**(Week of August 18 – 24)**

Sunday – Psalm 37:1-7
Monday – John 14:1-3
Tuesday – Proverbs 3:1-8
Wednesday – Psalm 42
Thursday – Joshua 22:1-6
Friday – 1 Kings 8:56-61
Saturday – Psalm 4

CONFLICT RESOLUTION**(Week of August 25 – 31)**

Sunday – Acts 15:1-35
Monday – Matthew 5:21-24
Tuesday – Proverbs 24:28-29
Wednesday – Luke 6:29-30
Thursday – Proverbs 19:11
Friday – Galatians 6:1-5
Saturday – Luke 6:27-28

PEACEMAKING AT HOME AND CHURCH**(Week of September 1 – 7)**

Sunday – Mark 10:13-16
Monday – 1 Corinthians 12:4-13
Tuesday – Genesis 45:1-15
Wednesday – Luke 10:38-42
Thursday – Ruth 1:1-18
Friday – 1 Corinthians 13
Saturday – Galatians 5:22-26

EXPERIENCING GRACE AS PEACE**(Week of September 8 – 14)**

Sunday – Luke 15:11-32
Monday – 2 Corinthians 4:7-12
Tuesday – Exodus 6:1-7
Wednesday – Psalms 51:10-14
Thursday – Hebrews 13:20-21
Friday – Romans 8:12-17
Saturday – Genesis 50:15-21

BUILDING ON A SOLID FOUNDATION**(Week of September 15 – 21)**

Sunday – Matthew 7:24-27

Monday – Acts 10:34-43

Tuesday – Deuteronomy 6:1-9

Wednesday – Isaiah 55:1-5

Thursday – Deuteronomy 10:12-22

Friday – Joshua 1:7-9

Saturday – Isaiah 59:20-21

ESTEEMING EACH OTHER**(Week of September 29 – October 5)**

Sunday – 1 John 2:7-11

Monday – Mark 2:13-17

Tuesday – James 4:11-12

Wednesday – Romans 2:1-11

Thursday – Ephesians 4:25—5:2

Friday – Amos 8:4-8

Saturday – Romans 13:8-10

TEACHING THE GOOD NEWS OF PEACE**(Week of September 22 – 28)**

Sunday – Luke 10:25-37

Monday – Deuteronomy 6:20-25

Tuesday – James 2:14-26

Wednesday – Matthew 28:16-20

Thursday – Isaiah 48:17-19

Friday – 1 Corinthians 12:4-12

Saturday – Mark 6:7-13

Peacemaking is a central declaration of the gospel. Through Jesus Christ God restores our relationship and offers us the gift of grace. We experience God's grace as peace. God's peace restores, sustains and heals. In response to this good news, Christians go into the world to proclaim and become part of God's peace giving as peacemakers. As each passage is read, consider the following questions:

- † What does this passage say about God's gift of peace?
- † What does this passage say about our calling as a peacemaker?
- † What is God inviting me to do or be or change through this passage?

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