

Grounded and Growing—Bearing Fruit Week 3

Peace

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***Call to Worship**

Leader: Praise the Lord!

Praise God in his sanctuary, in the heavens high above the earth.

All: Praise God for his mighty deeds, according to his surpassing greatness.

Leader: With all instruments and soundmakers, all voices and clapping,

All: Praise the Lord!

Leader: Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.

All: Praise the Lord!

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***Song**

[“All Creatures of Our God and King”](#) Crowder, Draper, St. Francis of Assisi

***God’s Greeting**

***Mutual Greeting**

***Song**

[“Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly”](#) Barrett

Call to Confession

This morning, as we think about what it means to seek God’s shalom, we are particularly mindful of the ways our actions have harmed God’s creation. Let us go to our God in confession.

Prayer of Confession

God of Peace,

We know that we have sinned against you and our neighbor.

We have lived for ourselves, seeking our own profit and security.

We fight for resources,

willing to mistreat people made in your image to get what we want.

We have misused the earth, treating creation like a product to be consumed,

instead of a gift you have called us to treasure and steward.
Forgive us for our actions
driven by greed.

The earth bears the marks of our callousness.
We fear the lasting damage we have done,
even as we carry on in our thoughtless consumption.
The effects of our greed are like waves,
rippling out, growing ever larger
until they wash over those who are already
struggling just to get by.
Forgive us for our actions
with unintended consequences.

Forgive us, God, for the harm we have done
to one another and to the earth.
Plant within us the desire to seek shalom,
to work for the flourishing of others
in everything we do.
Amen.

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Assurance of Pardon and Response of Dedication

People of God, receive God's forgiveness and his peace,
and turn towards him,
that our lives might bear the fruit of God's shalom.

**In gratitude for the grace that gives peace to our hearts,
we will seek to be people of shalom,
living with each other and the creation
in the harmony of God's kingdom.**

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****Song***

["Hear the Call of the Kingdom"](#) Getty & Townend

Offering

Bike Trip Report

Time for Prayer

Bible Reading

Isaiah 11:1–9 and James 3:13–18

Sermon***Prayer*******Song***

["Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"](#) St. Francis of Assisi, Temple

****God's Blessing*******Song***

["Build My Life"](#) Younker et al.

*If you are able please stand in body or spirit.