

A photograph of a woman with dark hair in a bun kissing a young girl with curly hair on the cheek. They are in a crowded outdoor setting, possibly a festival or market, with other people blurred in the background. The image has a semi-transparent dark overlay.

# Go and...!

August 25, 2022



## Agenda

- Theme of the day – **Do Likewise**
- Spiritual practices – Dwelling in the World, sharing stories about how to reach out and engage new people, and Dwelling in the Word
- Story sharing – The Revs Jose Escalera & Erich Kussman



CENTERING  
TIME

LET'S PRAY!

# Dwelling in the World

- **Step 1:** Reflect on the previous week: - When was there a time when you had an opportunity to share God's peace with someone?
- Go back imaginatively into that encounter:
  - **What might God have been up to there?**
  - **If you were to reconnect with that person, what might God want to do?**
- **Step 2:** (Breakout rooms) Share, Listen and reflect on your story
- **Step 3:** (Whole group) Regather and listen. Participants may share highlights of the stories/wonderings/reflections they heard with the larger group.



# A Practice that Transforms Us

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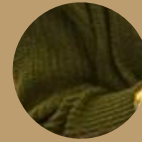
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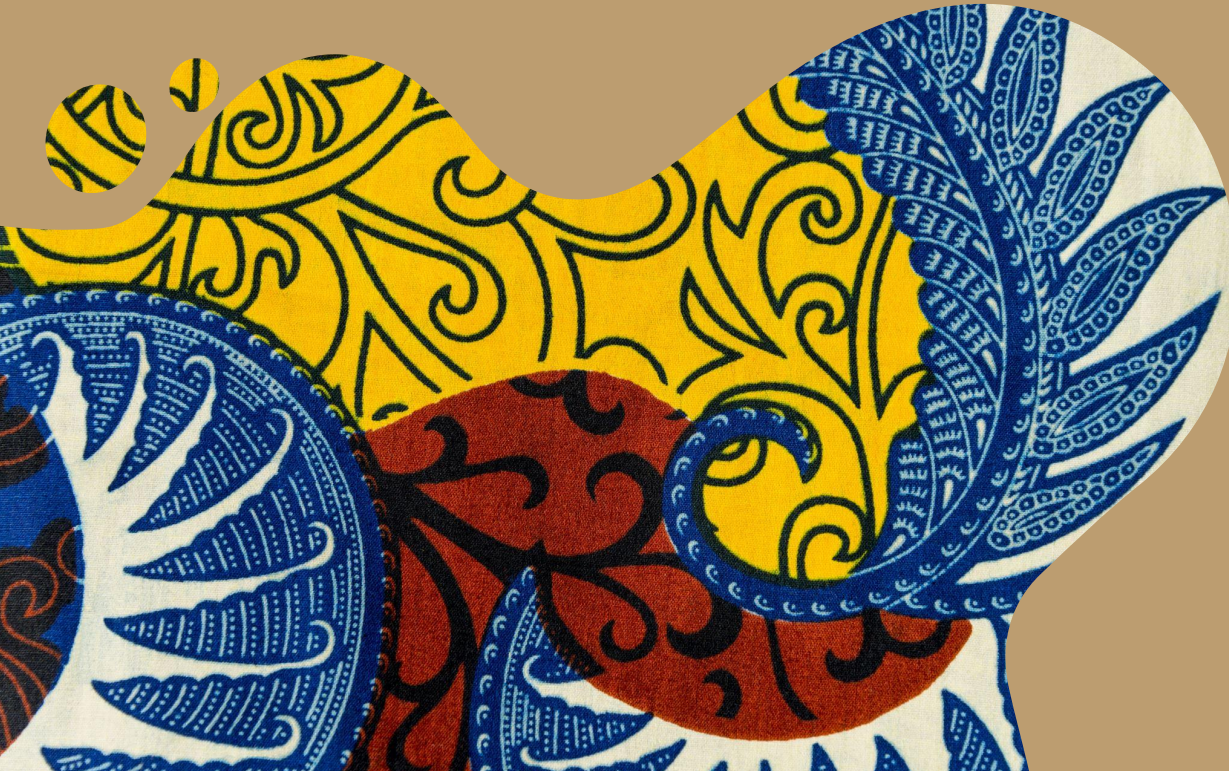
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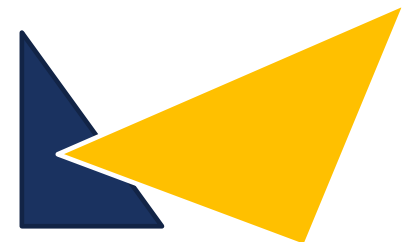
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## Dwelling in the Word - Luke 10:25-37

<sup>25</sup>Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>26</sup>He said to him, “What is written in the law? What do you read there?” <sup>27</sup>He answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.” <sup>28</sup>And he said to him, “You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.” <sup>29</sup>But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” <sup>30</sup>Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. <sup>31</sup>Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.



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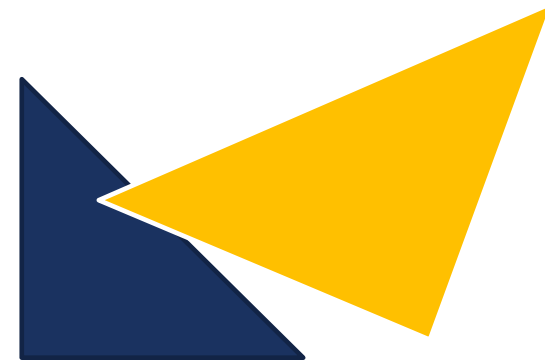
<sup>32</sup>So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. <sup>33</sup>But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. <sup>34</sup>He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. <sup>35</sup>The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' <sup>36</sup>Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" <sup>37</sup>He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."



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*In his famous “I’ve Been to the Mountaintop” speech, delivered the night before he was assassinated, Dr. King returns to the dangers of that Jericho Road. He speculates that the two religious leaders were probably asking the question “If I stop to help this man, what will happen to me?” They were scared. But the Good Samaritan reversed the question: **“If I do not stop to help this man, what will happen to him?”***



# Dwelling in the Word - Breakout Rooms

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What is God inviting us through this text to practice at  
**God's Work, Our Hands Sunday?**





**Go  
and...!**

# Resources

ELCA Website:

[“God’s work. Our hands.” Sunday - Evangelical Lutheran Church in America \(elca.org\)](https://www.elca.org)





Sending

# God is cracking open the Church to go and...



Pray

Listen

Try Something

Be with &  
Love Neighbors

Meet new People

Serve & Witness

Join us for our next virtual gathering on Zoom  
September 29, 2022 @ 7 p.m.

A photograph of two young women of African descent kissing on a city street. The woman on the left has curly hair and is wearing a white tank top. The woman on the right has her hair in a bun and is wearing a dark top with a choker. They are both smiling and looking at each other. In the background, other people are walking on the street, and there are colorful buildings and a red awning. The text "Thank you!" is overlaid in a large, white, serif font in the center of the image.

Thank you!