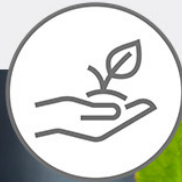
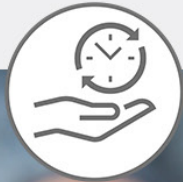


Returning God's Generosity



"... For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you."

- I Chronicles 29:14

**GRATITUDE & COMMITMENT
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH**

BETHANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Prelude *Give Thanks*

Sylvia Oines

by Henry Smart, arr. by James Biery

Lighting the Christ Candle

The candle is lit to awaken us to the presence of God, to alert us to the invitation of Christ, the Light of the world, and to affirm our unity in Christ (in this sanctuary, our homes in Seattle, and around the world).

***Hymn** #385 *All People That on Earth Do Dwell* (Verses 1, 3, 4)

Welcome

Greg Nelson, Worship Leader

Leader: The Lord be with you!

People: **And also with you!**

Passing the Peace of Christ

Choral Anthem *How Sweet The Sound*
arr. by Mark Hayes

Chancel Choir

How sweet the sound that I have heard
Yes, it was the Lord who rescued me
Such amazing grace

Amazing grace, how sweet, how sweet the sound
That saved such a soul like me
I once was lost, but now thank God I'm found
Was blind but now I see

I once was lost, but now I'm found
I was blind as I could be, but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

When we've been there ten thousand years
Bright shining as the sun, the glorious sun
We've no less days to sing to God in praise
Than when we've first begun

Call to Worship

***Song** *Great Are You Lord*

by Jason Ingram, Leslie Jordan, and David Leonard

You give life; You are love; You bring light to the darkness

You give hope; You restore ev'ry heart that is broken

And great are You, Lord

It's Your breath in our lungs

So we pour out our praise

We pour out our praise

It's Your breath in our lungs

So we pour out our praise to You only (Verse)

And all the earth will shout your praise

Our hearts will cry these bones will sing

Great are You, Lord (3x; Chorus)

Song *Good Good Father* by Chris Tomlin

I've heard a thousand stories

Of what they think You're like

But I've heard the tender whisper

Of love in the dead of night

You tell me that You're pleased

And that I'm never alone

You're a good, good Father

It's who You are, it's who You are, it's who You are

And I'm loved by You

It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am

I've seen many searching

For answers far and wide

But I know we're all searching

For answers only You provide

Because You know just what we need

Before we say a word (Chorus)

You are perfect in all of Your ways

You are perfect in all of Your ways

You are perfect in all of Your ways to us

Love so undeniable

I can hardly speak
Peace so unexplainable
I can hardly think
As You call me deeper still
As You call me deeper still
As You call me deeper still
Into love, love, love (*Chorus*)

Silent Listening

Prayer of Confession and Declaration of Forgiveness

Children's Message

Stephanie Ngongo

Scripture Reading Psalm 100:1-5 (Pew Bible: p. 515)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Story Along The Way

Suzzanne Lacey

Leader: This is what the Lord has done in me.

People: Thanks be to God.

Our Prayers to God *Doug Kelly, Senior Pastor*

[>> Click Here for the Virtual Prayer Wall >>](#)

Sermon *Returning God's Generosity: Joyful Noise*

Doug Kelly

Time of Commitment

Commitment Prayer

Offering: Responding to God's Great Love

[>> Click Here to Give Online >>](#)

Leader: You have given all to me.

People: To you, Lord, I return it.

Leader: Everything is Yours.

People: Do with it what You will.

Leader: Give me only Your love and grace.

People: That is enough for me.

Song *Do with It What You Will*

by Nick Chambers, Leslie Jordan & Kate Bluett

You have given all to me
To You, O Lord, I return it
Everything I have is Yours
Do with it what You will

You will gather all of me
Every gift, every burden
Every day and every hour
Do with it what You will

*I lift it up; I lay it down at your table
Multiply my sacrifice; for you are able*

I will take my daily cross
Every step of the journey
I will bear it for Your sake
Do with it what You will (*Chorus*)

Take my laughter and my loss
Make them tools of Your mercy
Anything my hands can make
Do with it what You will

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Ushers

***Song** *When I Think about The Lord* by James Huey

*Makes me want to shout,
"Hallelujah, thank You, Jesus
Lord, You're worthy of all the glory
And all the honor, and all the praise."*

When I think about the Lord,
How He saved me, how He raised me,
How He filled me with the Holy Ghost,
How He healed me to the uttermost
When I think about the Lord, how He picked me up,
And turned me around, how He placed my feet on solid ground

Benediction

Doug Kelly

Postlude *Praise, My Soul, The King of Heaven*
by John Goss/ arr. by Raymond Haan

Sylvia Oines

Preaching Today: *Doug Kelly, Senior Pastor*

Sharing Today: *Suzanne Lacey*

Leading Worship: *Greg Nelson*

Ministers: *You, who are touched by God's grace, being healed by God's love.*

Date: *February 11, 2024*

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TODAY

Preaching today is Senior Pastor Doug Kelly, and leading worship today is Greg Nelson. *Greg and his wife, Laurie, have been at Bethany since 1986. Greg serves as Chief Technology Officer for Opportunity International, a non-profit organization working with smallholder farmers and microentrepreneurs across the developing world. In his spare time, he's often waving a stick around in hopes of finding a trout.*

Children's Programming

- **Childcare:** *Ages 2 years and younger in room #102 at the beginning of both services.*
- **9:00am:** *Individual classes for children 3 years old through 5th grade after the Children's Message.*
- **10:45am:** *Classes for preschoolers, and Godly Play for kindergartners through 3rd graders after the Children's Message. 4th and 5th graders stay in the sanctuary with their families.*

Youth Programming | 9:00am Service Only | *When the children are dismissed, the middle schoolers should exit out the back of the Sanctuary, out through the lobby, and walk to the Youth House together. Dave Westburg will lead the class.*

Kids Choir | 10:15–10:45am | Parlor | *All children ages 5 through 6th grade are welcome to join us! We are preparing to sing on Palm Sunday.*

TODAY

Gratitude & Commitment Sunday | *Today we will make our financial estimates of giving for the July 2024 - June 2025 fiscal year operating budget. We will turn in our Estimate of Giving cards during worship. You can also fill out your card online, [click here to access the form.](#)*

Super(Bowl) Special Second Sunday | *After both services today, come enjoy fellowship, along with pretzels/queso and veggies/hummus, in preparation for the big game! This is also a chance to explore upcoming ways to learn, play, hangout, and connect with others during the week.*

Loving Across Our Differences: Personal Stories | *Today and Sun, Feb 18th, 10:45am | 7 Howe | This is a reminder for those who have pre-registered for this series.*

"Sanctuary: Collages" Artist Gallery Reception | *12:00-2:00pm | Ramp Room Gallery | Join artist Lisa Snow Lady in the gallery to celebrate the installation of her collection "Sanctuary: Collages." These collages are inspired by places of worship based on travels both domestic and abroad, fashioned from discarded wall paper samples.*

REGULAR GATHERINGS

Coffee Mondays with Pastor Doug | *Feb 12th, 2:30-5:00pm
Fisherman's Terminal, Café Appassionato, 4001 21st Ave W |
Stop by to share any questions, joys, or concerns about your own life or Bethany's.*

Youth Group | *High School meets Tuesdays, 7:00-8:30pm | Middle School meets Thursdays, 7:00-8:30pm | Youth House (11 Howe)
Come for some games, snacks, small groups, prayer and fun!*

College-Age Bible Study | *Wednesdays, 8:30-10pm | Eric & Carina Long's home | Join us for tea, snacks, conversation and bible study.
Contact Professor Long for address or with any questions: longe@spu.edu.*

Chancel Choir Rehearsal | *Thursdays, 7:00-8:30pm | Sanctuary
The choir is currently preparing music for Lent and Easter - new voices are always welcome!*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Ash Wednesday Worship | Wed, Feb 14th, 7:00pm | Sanctuary

Join us for this 50 minute, multi-sensory service where we launch ourselves into the season of Lent, the 40 days before Holy Week.

Lent Small Groups – Forming Now! | *This is a great opportunity to check out small group life together. If you are interested in joining a weekly Lenten small group, or if you would like to facilitate a group or provide a space, contact Group Life Elder, Jennifer Steenstra (jennifersteenstra.b@gmail.com) or [click to sign up](#).*

Parents' Book Discussion | Thurs, Feb 15th, 7:05pm-8:25pm | 7

Howe | *Join Katie Douglass (Parent of 3 boys and theology prof at SPU) for the first week of a parents' book discussion. The book is: Sex, Tech, and Faith: Ethics for a Digital Age, by Kate Ott. Bring your own copy, and read chapter one by Feb 15.*

Parent Forum: "Holy Week for All Ages" | Sun, Mar 17th, 10:45am-

12:00pm | Fellowship Hall | *How do you as a parent/guardian/teacher answer questions about what happened to Jesus on Holy Week? Have you wrestled with your own beliefs about Jesus' suffering? How do we share the hard yet essential parts of Jesus' sacrifice in an age-appropriate way? Led by Pastor Danielle Merseles; join us for a time of learning and sharing. Childcare available, [click here to register](#).*

"The Stations of the Cross" Open Sanctuary Time | Mondays 12-1pm

& Thursdays 5:30-6:30pm, Feb 15-Mar 28 | Sanctuary & Ramp Room Gallery | *The Stations of the Cross are an invitation to mediation and solidarity – not only with Jesus on his Way of Sorrows, but also with all victims of violence and injustice. This art installation features pieces curated across the centuries corresponding to events of the final days before Jesus' death.*

Volunteers Needed for Open Sanctuary Time | Mondays 12-1pm &

Thursdays 5:30-6:30pm, Feb 15-Mar 28 | Sanctuary & Ramp Room Gallery | *Please consider joining the volunteer team to host the Open Sanctuary times during this Lent season (more details above). Contact Carlos Rangel: carlosr@bethanypc.org.*