

# AT BETHANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

### CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

**Prelude** All Glory, Laud, and Honor Arranged by Charles Callahan

Sylvia Oines

# **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).

**Welcome** Marisa Gronholz, Director of Formation & Outreach (7:15 am) Danielle Merseles, Associate Pastor of Youth & Young Adults (9 & 10:45 am)

Leader: The Lord be with you! People: And also with you!

## **Passing The Peace of Christ**

**Choral Anthem** Crown Him!

Chancel Choir

Arranged by Dan Forrest

Crown Him the Lord of life
Who triumphed o'er the grave
Who rose victorious in the strife
For those He came to save
His glories now we sing
Who died and rose on high
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die

## Call to Worship

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

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People: He is risen indeed!

Leader: Christ is risen!

All: Alleluia! He is risen indeed!

\*Hymn #232 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

**Silent Listening** 

**Prayer of Confession and Declaration of Forgiveness** 

**Scripture Reading** Mark 16:1-8 (Pew Bible: NT, p. 47)

Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

#### Children's Message

Katie Douglass

Offering: Responding to God's Great Love

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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** *Goodness of God* by Jenn Johnson et al.

I love You, Lord, oh Your mercy never fails me

All my days, I've been held in Your hands

From the moment that I wake up, until I lay my head

I will sing of the goodness of God

All my life You have been faithful

All my life You have been so, so good

With every breath that I am able

I will sing of the goodness of God

I love Your voice; You have led me through the fire

In darkest night, You are close like no other

I've known You as a Father, I've known You as a friend

And I have lived in the goodness of God (Chorus)

Your goodness is running after, it's running after me

Your goodness is running after, it's running after me

With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now, I give You everything

Your goodness is running after, it's running after me (Repeat, Chorus)

#### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Ushers** 

Our Prayers to God

Marisa Gronholz & Danielle Merseles

>> Click Here for the Virtual Prayer Wall >>

**Sermon** Bewildered But Not Frozen

Doug Kelly, Senior Pastor

The Sacrament of The Lord's Supper Doug Kelly & Danielle Merseles Please come forward to form two lines. There are two ways to receive the sacrament: you may take a communion kit and partake of it in your pew; or you may receive a piece of bread, dip it in the common cup, and partake of the elements. If you would like gluten-free, just ask your server for it. Those who do not wish to receive the sacraments can simply cross their arms and they will receive a brief blessing. A leader is available up front for intercessory prayer.

The Lord's Prayer (p. 35 in hymnal)

His wounds have paid my ransom

How Deep The Father's Love for Us Song by Stuart Townend How deep the Father's love for us How vast beyond all measure That He should give His only Son To make a wretch His treasure How great the pain of searing loss The Father turns His face away As wounds which mar the Chosen One Bring many sons to glory I will not boast in anything No gifts, no power, no wisdom But I will boast in Jesus Christ His death and resurrection Why should I gain from His reward I cannot give an answer But this I know with all my heart

How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness
Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished, the end is written
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy
What heart could fathom
Such boundless grace
The God of Ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven
The King of Kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me You have broken every chain There's salvation in Your name Jesus Christ, my living hope (Repeat)

Then came the morning
That sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence the roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on Me
Jesus, Yours is the victory (*Chorus*)
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Jesus Christ, my living hope Oh God, You are my living hope My living hope; my living hope

When I Think about The Lord by James Huey
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
It 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." (Repeat)

**Song** *Hallelujah Chorus* (from "The Messiah") by G.F. Handel

**Benediction** Doug Kelly

Postlude Arrival of the Queen of Sheba by G.F. Handel Sylvia Oines

**Preaching Today:** Doug Kelly, Senior Pastor

**Leading Worship:** Marisa Gronholz, Director of Formation & Outreach

and Danielle Merseles, Associate Pastor of Youth &

Young Adults

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

**Date:** *March* 31, 2024

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#### **TODAY**

Preaching today is Senior Pastor Doug Kelly, and leading worship today are Director of Formation & Outreach, Marisa Gronholz, and Associate Pastor of Youth & Young Adults, Danielle Merseles.

# **Children's Programming**

- Childcare will be available at all services for infants and toddlers 2 years and younger, starting at the beginning of all services, in room #102.
- Children's classes will be provided for ages 3 through 5th grade during the 9:00 and 10:45am services (dismissal after the Children's Message).

**Easter Sunday Reception | After 7:15 & 9:00am Services | Fellowship Hall |** *Gather with us for a time of celebration and fellowship, and enjoy some delicious sweet and savory treats!* 

#### REGULAR GATHERINGS

**No Coffee Monday This Week |** Event will resume Monday, April 15 at Grateful Bread in Wedgwood, with Pastor Doug.

**Women's Bible Study | Tues, Apr 2nd, 10am | 7 Howe & Online**Women of all ages and stages are invited to study the Bible with us in 7 Howe house or online. Contact Lynn Beaumont at newhatdsl@msn.com.

**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!

**Wednesday Night Dinner | 5:00-6:30pm | Fellowship Hall** *An open-door community of Bethany. All are welcome to join us for dinner!* 

**Young Adult Gathering** | Wed, Apr 3rd, 6:30pm | Gronholz Home Fellowship community of post-college-ish through early 30's adults. Contact Matt Miller for address or with any questions: mattm@bethanypc.org.

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

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Bethany Clothing Swap | Apr 27th | 10am-2pm | Fellowship Hall |** Drop your items at church, between services, during the month of April. On the Clothing Swap day-of, come and shop 'til you drop FOR FREE! Want to help with this event? <u>Sign up here.</u>

**Marriage: Flourishing, Floundering, and Formation | May 10th, 7-9pm & May 11th, 9am-3pm |** You and your spouse are invited to register for a marriage enrichment retreat, held at Bethany, and led by Margie and Jeff Van Duzer. Drawing on scripture, marriage research, and their own personal experiences, Margie and Jeff will explore different topics including spiritual friendship, sexual companionship and working together. All stages of marriage – from newlyweds to those who have been married for decades – are invited to attend! Click here for more info & to register.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Middle School Camp | June 26th - 30th | Last Chance! Register by March 31st |** Camp will include group games, water activities, supervised free time, art, daily worship, devotional time, and small groups led by Bethany youth leaders and staff. This is a great opportunity for your student to grow in their community at Bethany and deepen their relationship with Jesus. Click here for more info & to register.

**Vacation Bible Camp at Bethany | July 22-26, 9am-12pm |** This year's theme is SPACE: God's Love is Everywhere! Join us this summer as we encounter the God of the Universe and discover what it means to shine like stars. We will sing, dance, learn, craft, and run around while we delight in God's beautiful creation. No cost to attend, but volunteers needed! Click here for more info & to register.

**HS Service Trip with Mending Wings | Aug 11-16 | Last Chance! Register by March 31st |** We will be serving this summer with our ministry partner,
Mending Wings, on the Yakama Reservation. This trip will include
community service projects during the day, late afternoon game time,
evening cultural activities and crafts, worship, and small groups.

<u>Scan here for more info and to register.</u>

**Discovery Park Walk (All-ages) | Sun Apr 21st | 3:00-5:00pm |** Come enjoy a "rain or shine" spring walk through Discovery Park! Walk will be around 4 miles, and will include steep stair-climbs down and up from the beach. Wear sturdy shoes and layers! Meet Caroline Plummer and Delene Dale in the South Lot, next to the port-a-potties on the edge of the parking lot. Leashed dogs welcome.