

10:30 AM SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 2025

WELCOME!

PLYMOUTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

*“Whether you are a seeker, skeptic, believer
or somewhere in between on life’s journey, you are welcome here.
We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate
in worship and service of Plymouth Church.*

PLYMOUTH UCC PURPOSE

Growing people of faith who participate in God’s work in the world.

PLYMOUTH UCC VISION

Plymouth Church UCC is a Christian Community open to the transforming Spirit of God.



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The church office is open during limited hours.

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All pastoral care will be via telephone or other electronic means.

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SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

*When you enter Plymouth Church UCC,
may you feel the peace, intimacy, belonging,
acceptance and refuge of Sanctuary.*

*Worship with Plymouth Church UCC begins with meditation.
The quiet of this place is meant to encourage and deepen your own inner work.
Thank you for entering this place, this hour, by honoring the spirit of worship.*

PRELUDE *PRELUDIO*

*To the Rising Sun, Op. 4, No 1 Trygve Torjussen
Peter Nelson-King, piano*

CALL TO WORSHIP

LLAMADO A ADORAR

(Inspired by Psalm 36)

One: Your steadfast love, O God, extends to the
heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

**Many: For with you is the fountain of life. Fill us
with life!**

One: Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains;
your judgments are like the great deep.

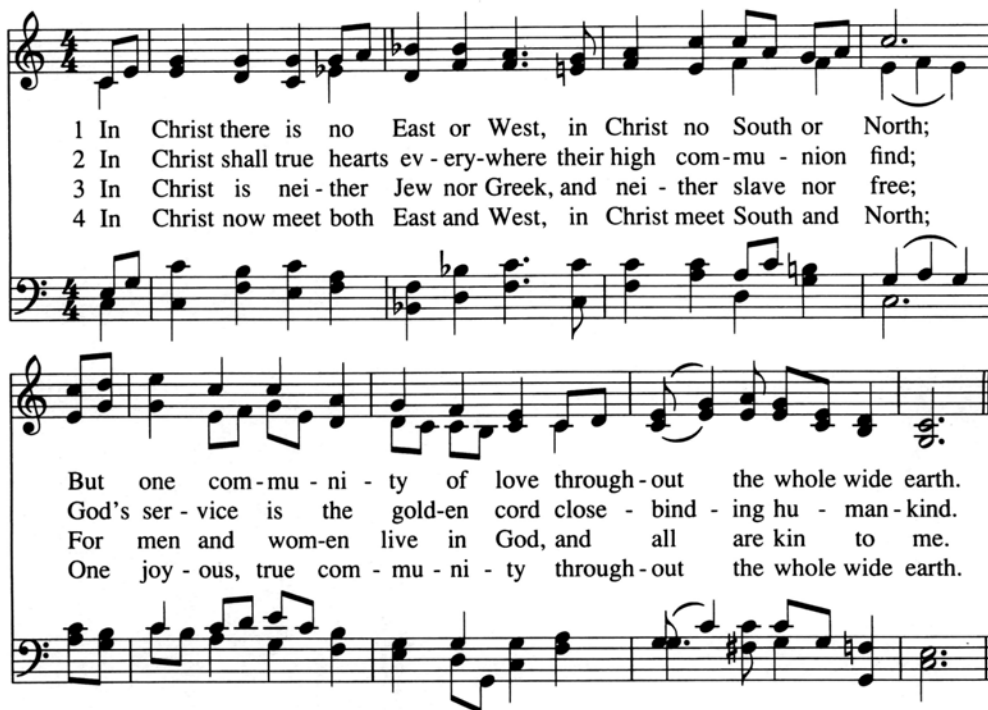
**Many: For with you is the fountain of life. Fill us
with life!**

One: O continue your steadfast love to those who know
you and your salvation to the upright of heart!

**All: For with you is the fountain of life. Fill us
with life!**

OPENING HYMN *HIMNO DE APERTURA*

In Christ There Is No East or West (NCH #394) McKEE



1 In Christ there is no East or West, in Christ no South or North;
2 In Christ shall true hearts ev - ery - where their high com - mu - nion find;
3 In Christ is nei - ther Jew nor Greek, and nei - ther slave nor free;
4 In Christ now meet both East and West, in Christ meet South and North;

But one com - mu - ni - ty of love through - out the whole wide earth.
God's ser - vice is the gold - en cord close - bind - ing hu - man - kind.
For men and wom - en live in God, and all are kin to me.
One joy - ous, true com - mu - ni - ty through - out the whole wide earth.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ORACIÓN DE CONFESIÓN

One: Gracious God, we live in the tension between expectation and reality.

Many: Sometimes, we navigate that tension with hope and clarity.

One: At other times, we fester in doubt, disappointment, and uncertainty.

All: Help us to release our need to control and enable us to embrace the possibilities. May our trust in your goodness and the power you have poured into us embolden our faith.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

SEGURIDAD DE GRACIA



Beloved, know that God's grace meets us at our point of need with encouragement. Circumstances change, and that's the nature of God's creative work. Receive the gift of new life with the unexpected experiences it brings. God is with you and equips you for the journey. **Amen.**

WELCOME BIENVENIDA

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

ORACIONES DEL PUEBLO

Afghan Family (Siblings of Plymouth), Ahmed Black (Nephew of Michael & Elizabeth Gordon), Wendy Carpenter (Friend of Jocelyn Coit-Durland), Diane Folkert (Mother and Mother-in-Law of Alex & Ara Lawrence), Louis Ford (Friend of Karen Clark), Elvis Gordon (Brother of Michael and Elizabeth Gordon), Floyd Gossett, Carrie Gossett (Mother of Floyd Gossett), Kay Heekin (Mother-in-Law of Kate Forrester), Allie James (Friend of Dawn Bennett), Julie (Friend of Karen Clark), William Chapman Nyaho, Jaime Rubio Sulficio, Gevan Woodke (Friend of Karen Clark), Shaniece (Friend of Karen Clark)

 A variety of faithful addresses for God (Creator, Mother, Holy One, Father) are welcome at Plymouth UCC, including in the Lord's Prayer. 

PRAYER OF JESUS ORACIÓN DE JESÚS

Our parent, who is among us, blessed be your Creation.

May your loving presence be a reality here on earth.

May we become more interested in building your kingdom here and now than in waiting for it to come down from above.

Let us share our bread with those who hunger.

Let us learn to forgive as well as to receive forgiveness.

Help us through the time of temptation, delivering us from all evil.

For ours are the eternal blessings that you pour upon the earth. Amen.

CALL TO OFFERING & SHARING PEACE

LLAMADO A LA OFERTA Y COMPARTIENDO LA PAZ

Whatever gifts we bring may be transformed like water to the best wine. Trust God with what we have to offer. Our trust can sow miracles, reveal Jesus in the world, and magnify joy in our communities. Give with peace that the kingdom overflows with abundance and with hope that our collective efforts make the world new.

DOXOLOGY DOXOLOGÍA. LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia!**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

ORACIÓN DE DEDICACIÓN

Holy One, may our gifts declare your glory and benefit the common good. Receive them with our gratitude for your generosity and the opportunity to participate in your kingdom on earth. Amen.

OFFERING MUSIC OFRECIENDO MÚSICA

Romanze. Ernest Wunderlich
Peter Nelson-King, piano

CONTEMPORARY VOICE VOZ CONTEMPORÁNEA

Quote from Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

“At the very same time that the government refused to give the Negro any land, through an act of Congress our Government was giving away millions of acres of land in the west and the midwest, which meant it was willing to undergird its white peasants from Europe with an economic floor.

“But not only did they give the land, they built land grant colleges with government money to teach them how to farm; not only that, they provided county agents to further their expertise in farming; not only that, they provided low-interest rates in order that they could mechanize their farms; not only that today, many of these people are receiving millions of dollars in federal subsidies not to farm and they are the very people telling the Black man that he ought to lift himself by his own bootstraps. And this is what we are faced with, and this is the reality. Now, when we come to Washington in this campaign, we are coming to get our check.”



SCRIPTURE READING *LECTURA DE LAS ESCRITURAS* Luke 4:16-27
(Dr. Wilda Gafney Translation)

Now Jesus came to Nazareth, where he had been nurtured and went, according to his practice on the day of the sabbath, to the synagogue. And he stood up to read. Then was given him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

“The Spirit of the Most High is upon me,
because God has anointed me
to proclaim good news to those who are poor.
God has sent me to preach liberation to those who are captives
and recovery of sight to those who are blind,
to liberate those who are oppressed,
to proclaim the year of the Most High’s favor.”

Then Jesus rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down and every eye of all in the synagogue looked intently at him. Then he began to speak to them, saying, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” And all bore witness to him and marveled at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?”

Then Jesus said to them, “Of course you all will quote me this proverb, ‘Doctor, cure yourself!’ And you all will say, ‘The things we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown.’” And Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in their hometown. But I speak truth to you all, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heavens were closed three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land. Yet Elijah was sent to none of them, rather to Zarephath in Sidon, to a widow woman. And there were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.”

ANTHEM *EL HIMNO*

Immortal Love, Forever Full. Tune: SERENITY
Plymouth Choir; Eliza Woodyard, Director

SERMON *SERMÓN* Jukebox Liberation Dr. Brown

HYMN OF COMMITMENT *HIMNO DE COMPROMISO*

I Thank You, Jesus (NCH #41). THANK YOU JESUS

1 I thank you, Je-sus, thank you, Je - sus,
2 You've been my fa-ther, been my moth-er,
1 Thank you, Je-sus, thank you, Je - sus,
2 Been my fa-ther, been my moth-er,
thank you, Je - sus, my Sav - ior God, for you brought me, yes, you
been my sis-ter, my broth-er, too, for you brought me, yes, you
brought me from a might-y, a might-y long way, a might-y long
brought me from a might-y, a might-y long way, a might-y long
I thank you, Je-sus, thank you, Je - sus,
You've been my fa-ther, been my moth-er,
way. Thank you, Je-sus, thank you, Je - sus,
Been my fa-ther, been my moth-er,
thank you, Je - sus, my Sav - ior God, for you brought me, yes, you
been my sis-ter, my broth-er, too, for you brought me, yes, you
way. brought me from a might-y, a might-y long way, a might-y long way.
brought me from a might-y, a might-y long way, a might-y long way.

BENEDICTION *BENDICIÓN* Dr. Brown

POSTLUDE *POSTLUDIO*

Take Me Back from Appalachia John W. Work III
Peter Nelson-King, piano

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Plymouth Staff will observe Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Monday, January 20. The church building will be closed.

We Rise AGAINST Project 2025 Rally and march on MLK Day, Monday, January 20: 11 am rally at Garfield High School (400 23rd Ave, Seattle) with Rev. Dr. Kelle Brown as keynote speaker. March begins at 12:30 pm. Read more in the news article at PlymouthChurchSeattle.org.

For Such a Time as This On January 20, the UCC and interfaith partners invite all to acknowledge and respond to deep injustices in our nation. This event is about casting visions and not becoming silent in the face of fear. 4 pm PT. The livestream link will be posted on UCC.org on January 20. Read more at UCC.org.

American Mosaic Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Immersion Workshop Series continues every Sunday through February 2, 12–1:30 pm in Hildebrand Hall. Gain new insights and practical tools to build respect, inclusion and belonging in organizations and communities. Please join us.

Plan to Attend Plymouth's 155th Annual Meeting Sunday, February 16, after worship in Hildebrand Hall and live online. Light lunch provided. The Annual Report will be reviewed, and your vote is needed to install lay leadership and approve the 2025 budget for our church family.

Volunteers Wanted to staff a children and youth table in the Lounge during the service. We are looking to provide a space geared towards the youngest in our midst with activities during worship. If you feel called to be a part of this ministry, please email Rev. Kevin Bechtold, KBechtold@PlymouthChurchSeattle.org.

Help Provide Comfort The Community & Care Board requests your help to provide items for comfort bags to be distributed to visitors in need. Please bring gloves, socks, tissues, hand sanitizer and shelf-stable snacks. Items can be left in the bin by the Welcome Table in the Lounge on Sundays.

Study the Bible with Plymouth Wednesdays at 9 am or Thursdays at 7 pm. The Zoom link in the news article at PlymouthChurchSeattle.org will be the same every week for both Wednesday morning and Thursday evening studies.

Be The Church You are invited to volunteer at Plymouth Church! Remember that covenant giving also includes your time and using your gifts. There are many tasks that you can do. Training provided if needed. Contact Toni Arthur: TArthur@PlymouthChurchSeattle.org.

Members and Visitors can access Plymouth Guest wi-fi network using password: [peaceonearth](https://peaceonearth.org).





Believing that God's love transcends all human distinctions,
Plymouth welcomes people of all races and cultures,
of varied social and economic conditions
and regardless of sexual orientation.

We are open and affirming of all people,
and we call all people to the cost and joy of Christian discipleship.