

RESIST!

10 AM SUNDAY, JUNE 29, 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.

Thank you for worshipping with us today. Please like and send us a greeting
on Facebook and Instagram.



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10 AM SUNDAY, JUNE 29, 2025
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
*When you enter Plymouth Church UCC,
may you feel the peace, intimacy, belonging,
acceptance and refuge of Sanctuary.*

PRELUDE *PRELUDIO*

How Can I Keep from Singing arr. Benjamin M. Culli
Dr. Stephen Price, organ

WELCOME *BIENVENIDA* Rev. Dr. Kelle Brown

Congratulations to 2025 Plymouth Graduates

Raymond Armstrong
Tiffany Arthur
Sebastien Bernard
Chloe Fung
Nate Korahais
Matiurahman Rahimi
Annabelle Russell

SHARING PEACE *COMPARTIENDO LA PAZ*

CALL TO WORSHIP June Hayakawa-Fung

LLAMADO A ADORAR

One: Your way, O God, is holy. What god is so great as
our God?

**Many: You work wonders and display your glory. How
great is our God!**

One: Your way, O God, is holy. What god is so merciful as
our God?

**Many: You redeem your people from generation to
generation. How merciful is our God!**

One: Your way, O God, is holy. What god is so just as
our God?

**All: You hear the cries of the troubled and move in
righteousness. How just is our God!**

OPENING HYMN *HIMNO DE APERTURA*

Come, We Who Love God's Name, vs 1 (NCH #382) . . MARCHING TO ZION



Come, we who love God's name, and let our joys be known; To -



geth - er God's great love pro - claim, to - geth - er God's great love pro -



claim, and thus sur - round the throne, and thus sur-round the throne.

And thus sur-round the throne, and thus sur - round the throne.



We're march - ing to Zi - on, beau-ti-ful, beau-ti-ful Zi - on; We're

We're march-ing on to Zi - on,



march-ing on-ward to Zi - on, the beau-ti-ful cit-y of God.

Zi - on, Zi - on, the

PRAYER OF CONFESSION. Ms. Hayakawa-Fung

ORACIÓN DE CONFESIÓN

One: God of Grace, sometimes the call to follow you comes softly and gently.

Many: **At other times, your call rushes in with urgency and may even overwhelm us as we balance the obligations of the day with the needs of the day.**

One: Gift us with discernment to know what needs our attention, focus, and energy.

Many: **Free us of distractions, even and especially the ones we create for ourselves.**

One: At the same time remind us how to breathe and to be gracious toward one another.

All: We travel a road we have not built and have not journeyed before. We rely upon you to demonstrate the way and lead us into the fullness of life and your kingdom.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE Ms. Hayakawa-Fung
SEGURIDAD DE GRACIA

Beloved, the grace of God companions with you along the road. We journey this life in love, through love, and with love. Trust and rely upon the wisdom of the Everlasting One who knows you, the gifts you bring, and the burdens you bear. New life and transformation, as all things, are possible with God. Receive love's grace to free you from fear in order to embrace the journey. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Cory Maclay
ORACIONES DEL PUEBLO

Excerpted Prayers of the People with additions, from Trinity Church Wall Street

One: God-in-community, you created humankind in your image and blessed us with the capacity to love. On this Pride Sunday, we especially thank you for the gift of diverse orientations and gender identities, especially those of our 2- Spirit, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans, Gender Diverse and Queer siblings, whose identities reflect your multi-faceted likeness. God of power, send your Spirit to lead your Church.

We repent of the ways the Church has harmed our queer and trans siblings and recommit to making the Church a place of refuge and blessing for all people. God-in-community,

Many: Hear our prayer.

One: God of wisdom, help us to know when it is right to flip some tables. Grant us discernment as we dismantle systems of oppression and build a world rooted in justice. God-in-community,

Many: Hear our prayer.

One: God who, in Jesus, came among us as one who heals: you recognize the dignity of all bodies. Bring healing and wholeness to those who experience trauma, dysphoria, or illness. God-in-community,

Many: Hear our prayer.

One: God of creation, you made everything that is and formed us in your image. Open our hearts and minds to your creative brilliance. Stir up in us a care for the earth, for all plants and animals. Embolden us to transgress boundaries in order to better honor your goodness in ourselves and one another. God-in-community,

Many: Hear our prayer.

One: God of harmony, we thank you for the gift of this community. Inspire us to reflect your radical love to the world. We thank you for the witness of leaders who have gone before us, who dared to envision a world of radical inclusion. We remember all who have fought and died to advance equity for your queer and trans beloveds in the church, in this country, and around the world, and we pray for those who continue the work. God-in-community,

Many: Hear our prayer.

One: Eternal God, we pray for all who have died because of who they are, that in the glorious company of the saints they may find eternal rest. God-in-community,

Many: Hear our prayer.

One: O God, you created us in your image and blessed us with the capacity to love. Accept the prayers of your people. Teach us to fully and radically love all your children as their true and whole selves, and lead us with courage to continually advocate for people of all sexual orientations, gender identities, and gender expressions, just as your Holy Spirit advocates for us. In the name of Jesus, your beloved, we pray.

All: Amen.

All who live in fear of expedited removal, detention, or deportation., Ahmed Black (Nephew of Michael & Elizabeth Gordon), Wendy Carpenter (Friend of Jocelyn Coit-Durland), Lin Davis (Wife of Mo Longworth), JT Edwards, 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), Artrice Gordon (Brother of Michael & Elizabeth Gordon), Floyd Gossett, Carrie Gossett (Mother of Floyd Gossett), Allie James (Friend of Dawn Bennett), Jo-Ann Guthrie, Julie (Friend of Karen Clark), Robert Malae, William Chapman Nyaho, Richard Paul (Dad of Beth Paul-Russell), Dale and Jinny Sewell, Shaniece (Friend of Karen Clark), Sue Shelley (Aunt of Ricky Powell), Diana Solomon (Friend of Anne Kiemle), Patricia Valentine, Gevan Woodke (Friend of Karen Clark)

Our hearts are with Kathy Rood and family on the recent passing of her Aunt, Colleen Rood. We grieve with the family and friends of Nancy Edquist who passed away June 5, 2025. A memorial will be held on August 30 at University Congregational Church.



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.**

MUSICAL INTERLUDE *INTERLUDIO MUSICAL*

Improvisation

Dr. Stephen Price, organ

CONTEMPORARY VOICE *VOZ CONTEMPORÁNEA*

Hafiz as imagined by Daniel Ladinsky



Hafiz was a 14th century Persian poet who lauded the joys of love and wine and targeted hypocrisy.

You are the sun in drag.
You are God hiding from yourself.
Remove all the “mine”—that is the veil.
Why ever worry about
Anything?
Listen to what your friend Hafiz
Knows for certain:
The appearance of this world
Is a Magi’s brilliant trick, though its affairs are
Nothing into nothing.
You are a divine elephant with amnesia
Trying to live in an ant
Hole.
Sweetheart, O sweetheart
You are God in
Drag!



Daniel Ladinsky is an American poet and interpreter of mystical poetry.

SCRIPTURE READING *LECTURA DE LAS ESCRITURAS* Revelation 21:1-7
(Dr. Wilda Gafney Translation) Read by Ms. Maclay

I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, descending heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her beloved. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,\

“Look! The home of God is among the woman-born.
God will dwell with them as their God;
they will be God’s peoples,
and selfsame God will be with them.
God will wipe every tear from their eyes.
Death will be no more;
grief and weeping and pain will be no more,
for the first things have passed away.”

And the One who seated upon the throne said, “Look! I am making all things new.” The One also said, “Write, for these words are trustworthy and true.” Then the One said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give to the thirsty from the spring of the water of life freely. Those who overcome will inherit these things, and I will be their God and they will be my daughters and sons.

ANTHEM *EL HIMNO*

How Can I Keep from Singing Robert Lowry
Kael Sherrard, soloist

MESSAGE *All Things New* Dr. Brown

HYMN OF COMMITMENT *HIMNO DE COMPROMISO*

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You, vs 1 (NCH #4) HYMN TO JOY
Joyful, joyful, we adore you,
God of glory, God of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before you,
opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
drive the storms of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day.

BENEDICTION *BENDICIÓN*Dr. Brown

POSTLUDE *POSTLUDIO*

Joyful, Joyful Emma Lou Diemer

Dr. Stephen Price, organ



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Walk with Pride Plymouth UCC joins the Pacific Northwest Conference for the Seattle Pride Parade **today**. We welcome all who want to march in solidarity and celebration.

Taking Time Communication from Plymouth will be abbreviated in the month of July while staff are on vacation and most programs (including Bible Study) are on pause. Look for periodic email updates and stay current at PlymouthChurchSeattle.org.

Discover Vanport Join Plymouth UCC and Museum Without Walls August 15-16 for a powerful journey to Portland to uncover the history of Vanport, once Oregon's second-largest city, wiped out in a flood in 1948. Register now using link in news article at PlymouthChurchSeattle.org.

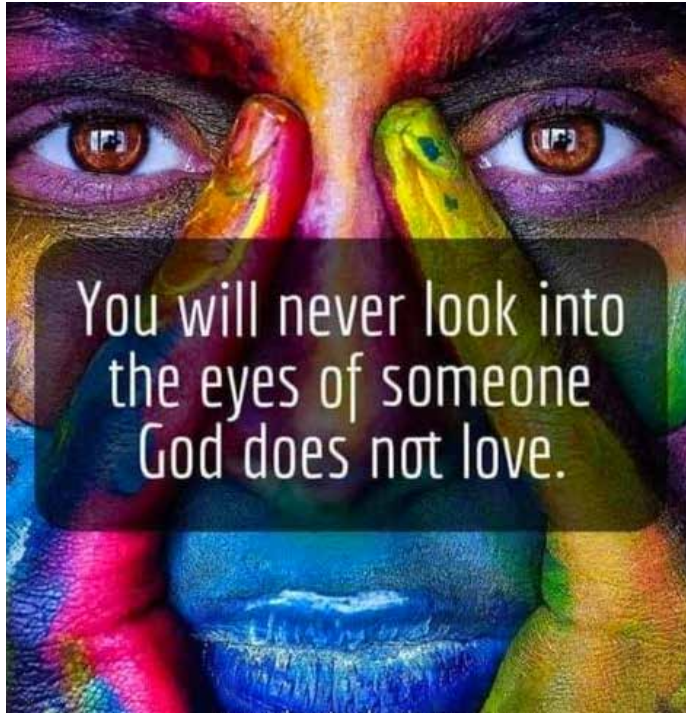
Northwest Boychoir Concert at Plymouth 7:30 pm Thursday, July 3. Enjoy the Grammy-nominated Northwest Boychoir on their 2025 California Concert Tour. Tickets and info at nwboychoir.org. Proceeds benefit the Tour Fund.

Sound Medicine Meditation Tory Trujillo offers deeply healing Sound Medicine Meditation, sometimes also referred to as a sound bath. Sessions last between 60 and 75 minutes. Bring pillows or yoga pads. Next session is July 27, after worship in Hildebrand Hall. Suggested donation \$20.

Come Home to the Lake You are invited to Summer Camp at N-Sid-Sen Retreat Center on the shores of Lake Coeur d'Alene in Idaho: July 27–August 2 or August 2–8. Visit N-Sid-Sen.org/Summer-Camp to register now.

From Hiroshima to Hope Join Seattle's annual lantern-floating peace ceremony on Tuesday evening, August 6 at Green Lake. Family program with music, poetry and speakers begins at 7 pm and the lantern ceremony begins at 8:15 pm. Visit FromHiroshimaToHope.org for more information.

Members and Visitors can access Plymouth Guest wi-fi network using password: peaceonearth.



You will never look into
the eyes of someone
God does not love.

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.