

RESIST!

10:30 AM SUNDAY, AUGUST 3, 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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EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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

This Sunday we share together Holy Communion in our worship. For those with us online, before the time of the service you will want to prepare some bread and juice of some sort. Remember this is a meal of grace, so whatever “bread” or “juice” you choose will more than suffice. Set these elements in the sacred place where you experience worship. Thank you for your preparation.

PRELUDE *PRELUDIO*

Morning Light Dr. Lee Peterson, piano
Dr. Lee Peterson, piano

WELCOME *BIENVENIDA* June Hayakawa-Fung

SHARING PEACE *COMPARTIENDO LA PAZ*

CALL TO WORSHIP Ms. Hayakawa-Fung
LLAMADO A ADORAR

(Inspired by Psalm 107)

One: Hallelujah! Give thanks! Give thanks to God!

**Many: For the Holy One redeemed us and sustained us
through the time of trouble.**

One: Give thanks to the Holy One, for God is good!

**Many: For the Compassionate One heard our cry and
sustained us through the time of trouble.**

One: Give thanks to the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer.

All: Hallelujah! Give thanks! Give thanks to God!

OPENING HYMN *HIMNO DE APERTURA*

Holy, Holy, Holy, vss 1 and 3 (NCH #277) NICAEA

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, God the Al - might - y!

3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though we know but dim - ly,

Ear - ly in the morn - ing we praise your maj - es - ty.

Though the eyes of hum - an - kind your glo - ry may not see,

Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!

You a - lone are ho - ly, you a - lone are wor - thy,

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Per - fect in power, in love and pur - i - ty.

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. It consists of six systems of music. Each system has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and bar lines.

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION
CELEBRACIÓN DE LA SAGRADA COMUNIÓN

INVITATION INVITACIÓN

COMMUNION PRAYER ORACIÓN DE COMUNIÓN

All who live in fear of expedited removal, detention, or deportation, Ahmed Black (Nephew of Michael & Elizabeth Gordon), Monica Blume (Family of Kate Forrester), 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), Artrice Gordon (Brother of Michael & Elizabeth Gordon), Floyd Gossett, Carrie Gossett (Mother of Floyd Gossett), Jo-Ann Guthrie, Camille Hagen (Daughter of Jeanette and Ken Hagen), Elvis Gordon (Brother of Michael and Elizabeth Gordon), Allie James (Friend of Dawn Bennett), Julie (Friend of Karen Clark), Robert Malae, Dale and Jinny Sewell, Shaniece (Friend of Karen Clark), Sue Shelley (Aunt of Ricky Powell), Diana Solomon (Friend of Anne Kiemle), Gevan Woodke (Friend of Karen Clark)

A memorial Service for William H. Neukom will be held today at 3 pm in the Sanctuary.



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

Holy One, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name
Thy Kindom come, thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the Kindom, the power, and the glory for ever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PALABRAS DE INSTITUCIÓN

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

COMPARTIR EL PAN Y LA COPA

COMMUNION HYMN *HIMNO DE COMUNIÓN*

Let Us Break Bread Together African American Spiritual

Let us break bread together on our knees;
let us break bread together on our knees.

When I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun,
My God, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees;
let us drink wine together on our knees.

When I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun,
My God, have mercy on me.

Let us praise God together on our knees;
let us praise God together on our knees.

When I fall on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun,
My God, have mercy on me.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING Rev. Dr. Kelle Brown

ORACIÓN DE ACCIÓN DE GRACIAS

**Living Christ, thank you for this meal that nourishes
our bodies and spirits. By feasting on this bread of
life, your presence reminds us of our belovedness,
even when broken. For you, Holy Mystery, companion
us through all things. Thanks be for your sustaining
love. Amen.**

MUSICAL INTERLUDE *INTERLUDIO MUSICAL*

O Kinimba Ernani Braga

Eliza Woodyard, soprano; Dr. Lee Peterson, piano

CONTEMPORARY VOICE *VOZ CONTEMPORÁNEA*

Soul Wounds,

Michael D Gordon, Seattle, Aug 9, 2020



These videos of police violence against children and teenagers have me so hot I'm feeling as though I want to react rather than act in faith, in love, with hope. I'm wanting to see America burn to its destruction to see what will rise out of the ashes. Lord, have we not exercised the patience of Job, have we not been persistent with our cries, our long suffering?

Our lives are full of pain, brokenness, despair, broken promises and expectations. How can we live with this without becoming bitter and resentful except by returning again and again to God's faithful presence in our lives?! Through God's grace: God will deliver the needy who cry out, will help the afflicted who have no one to help, and will have feelings of sorrow and compassion for the suffering and misfortunes of others and deliver them from death. Ps 72:12-13.

We are witnessing the same pattern of evil systemic racial disparities that has plagued America from its inception. The lie was told that the Indigenous people were savages by the English colonists and their churches, so they could have justification to kill, torture, rape and take their land. And, again when slavery began, Black people were labeled beasts, only three fifths human, shackled, placed on auction blocks, and sold to be owned like livestock. I'm not going to mention the other horrific things that took place back then.

Like I said, we are witnessing the same pattern of terror: separating families and kids being locked in cages at the border, breaking in our homes and attacking and killing us while we sleep, (Breonna Taylor - No knock warrants), modern day lynching in the streets (George Floyd, Minneapolis, Elijah McCain, Colorado). And again, terrorizing our babies, shooting and laying them in the streets at gunpoint. None of them are too young because their skin has melanin and white supremacy culture deems that a crime and a threat. By the laws of the dominant white culture, police don't need justification to do these things because police are the modern-day overseers.

Ask yourself what is the big fear in your life. What are some things that will help you overcome this fear? Reflect on this: if there is nothing to gain out of identifying your fears, will you have the willingness to give of yourself for the sake of another person? What will action coming out of this willingness look like or be called? God has a way weaving and spinning many things to accomplish a perfect will for the purpose of a master plan. Go with God, go in Peace, go in Love.

SCRIPTURE READING *LECTURA DE LAS ESCRITURAS* . . Habakkuk 1:1–4; 2:1–3
(Dr. Wilda Gafney Translation) read by Rev. Erica Williams

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.
HOLY ONE, how long shall I cry for help,
and you will not hear?
I cry out to you “Violence!”
and you do not save.
Why do you make me see wrong-doing
and behold trouble?
Despoliation and violence are before me;
litigation and contention arise.
So the law becomes powerless
and justice has been aborted.
The wicked surround the righteous—
therefore judgment comes forth perverted.
Upon my watchpost will I stand,
and station myself on the rampart;
Then will I keep watch to see what God shall say to me,
and what God will answer concerning my charge.
Then the Holy One answered me and said:
Write the vision;
 make it plain on tablets,
 so that a runner may read it.
For there is still a vision for the appointed time;
it speaks of the end and does not lie.

ANTHEM *EL HIMNO*

Reflection, from Mulan
Music: Matthew Wilde; Lyrics: David Zippel
Eliza Woodyard, soprano; Dr. Lee Peterson, piano

MESSAGE*We’re In This Together* . . .Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Gordon

HYMN OF COMMITMENT *HIMNO DE COMPROMISO*

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name, vs 1 (NCH #304) CORONATION



1 All hail the power of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;



Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown Christ ser - vant of all.



At - tend the Sav - ior's sov - ereign claim, and crown Christ ser - vant of all.

BENEDICTION *BENDICIÓN* Dr. Gordon

POSTLUDE *POSTLUDIO*

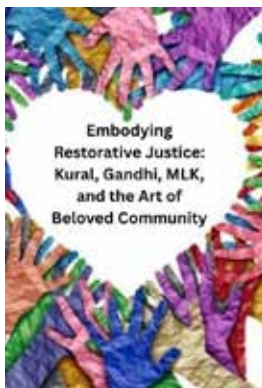
Recessional. Dr. Lee Peterson
Dr. Lee Peterson, piano

SPECIAL SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY

Embodying Restorative Justice:

Kural, Gandhi, MLK, and the Art of Beloved Community

10:30 am Sunday, August 10, at Plymouth



Join an artful service of poetry, dance, magic and insight from visionaries of the past with inspiration for this moment in time. Featuring Dr. Sinead Younge of the Andrew Young Center for Global Leadership at Morehouse College; author and poet Thomas Hitoshi Pruiksama; and Rev. Dr. Kelle Brown.

This service is an offering of the Sanctuary At Home In The Body Project, a multi-disciplinary art and science project exploring thriving factors presented by Kintsugi Somatic Art.

Plan now to attend, and invite friends and family.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Memorial Service for William H. Neukom will be held at 3 pm **today** in the Sanctuary.

A Survivor Speaks, A Generation Walks: 7:30 pm **today** at University UCC (4515 16th Avenue NE, Seattle) Hear from Hiroshima survivor Norimitsu Tosu, as well as young adults from the Fierce Non-Violence Pilgrimage on the 80th anniversary of the Hiroshima bombing. Read more in news article 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 using link in news article at PlymouthChurchSeattle.org.

From Hiroshima to Hope Join Seattle’s annual lantern-floating peace ceremony on Wednesday 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 program details and more information.

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Film and Discussion Stay after worship Sunday, August 17, to view and discuss *Blue Ticket*, a film exploring how LGBTQ persons were expelled from their Alaskan communities. We’ll watch the 2-hour film together after worship. Author Mo Longworth will join us to answer questions and discuss.

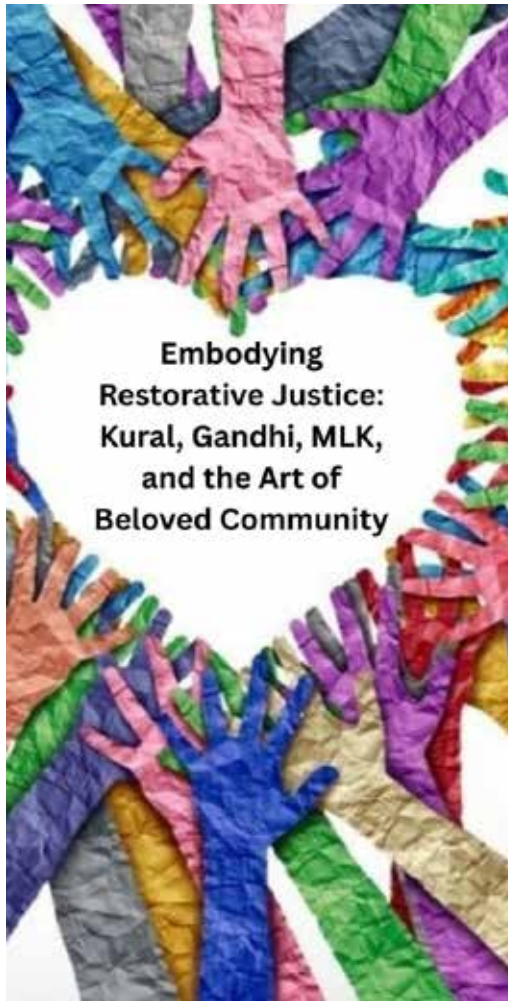
The Power of Connection Support Plymouth Housing Noon–1:30 pm Wednesday, September 17. This inspiring event brings together our region’s forward-thinking community to take meaningful steps toward ending homelessness. Visit PlymouthHousing.org for tickets.

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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](http://peaceonearth.org).





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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.