



PLYMOUTH
United Church of Christ

10:30 AM SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2024

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 online with us today. Please like and send us a greeting on
Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.



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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10:30 AM SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2024
TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
WORLDWIDE COMMUNION SUNDAY

*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*

Improvisations on Spirit of the Living God. Dr. Lee Peterson
Dr. Lee Peterson, piano

CALL TO WORSHIPRev. Donene Blair
LLAMADO A ADORAR

(Inspired by Psalm 26)

One: The Holy One dwells within and beyond the
congregation and makes a home among us.

**Many: Prove us, and try us; Holy One, test our
hearts and minds.**

One: The glory of the Sovereign One abides with us,
illuminating our journey, energizing our
gathering, and warming our spirits.

**Many: Prove us, and try us; Holy One, test our
hearts and minds.**

One: Bless the Name of Names, the God of Truth, and
the Giver of Life with songs of praise, prayers of
hope, and moments of connection.

**All: Prove us, and try us; Holy One, test our
hearts and minds.**

OPENING HYMN *HIMNO DE APERTURA*

This Is My Song #591 FINLANDIA

1 This is my song, O God of all the na - tions, a song of
 2 My coun-try's skies are blu - er than the o - cean, and sun-light

peace for lands a - far and mine. This is my home, the
 beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine; But oth - er lands have

coun - try where my heart is; here are my hopes, my
 sun - light, too, and clo - ver, and skies are ev - ery -

dreams, my ho - ly shrine; But oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are
 where as blue as mine. O hear my song, O God of all the

beat - ing with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
 na - tions, a song of peace for their land and for mine.

WELCOME BIENVENIDA Rev. Blair

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

CELEBRACIÓN DE LA SAGRADA COMUNIÓN

Rev. Dr. Kelle Brown, Rev. Kevin Bechtold, Laura Shigeta

Everyone is welcome at our table to share the bread and the cup, whether you are a believer, a seeker, a skeptic, doubter or somewhere in between.

INVITATION INVITACIÓN

COMMUNION PRAYER ORACIÓN DE COMUNIÓN

Christian and Kim Arvin (Son and Daughter-in-Law of Donene Blair), Conni Bentley (Sister-in-law of Al Bentley), Ahmed Black (Nephew of Michael & Elizabeth Gordon), Wendy Carpenter (Friend of Jocelyn Coit-Durland), The Colwell Family, Afghan Family (Siblings of Plymouth), 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), Dr. Maxine Mimms, Concetta Lewis (Sister of Jo-Ann Guthrie), Beta Utu Malae (Sister of Robert Malae), William Chapman Nyaho, Mari Mitchell & Alex Putnum, Jaime Rubio Sulficio

We grieve with Cory Maclay and family on the passing of her aunt, Patricia Jean Wortman Kopcho.

We grieve with Ingrid Holmlund on the one-year anniversary of the passing of her mother, Carolyn Lunemaker.



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 *Let Us Break Bread Together on Our Knees*

HIMNO DE COMUNIÓN

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 *ORACIÓN DE ACCIÓN DE GRACIAS*

Honest God,

**We have been the chalice so that you might pour
in. Help us rise in shared resurrection power from
this table where you, the Creator and Sustainer, have
served us by your own hand. Make us one, so that we
may extend your arms of peace to a world at war and
turmoil. This we ask through Christ, in Christ, with
Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit. Amen**

CALL TO OFFERING & SHARING PEACELaura Shigeta

LLAMADO A LA OFERTA Y COMPARTIENDO LA PAZ

When we consider the gifts of God, stewardship of our resources rises among them. The psalmist marveled, “What are humans that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them? Yet you have made them a little lower than God and crowned them with glory and honor. You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet.” The Sovereign God has given us responsibility and care of our sibling, creation. May we respond to the call to glorify God by the work of our hands, the allocation of our resources, and the generosity of our hearts.

DOXOLOGY DOXOLOGÍA

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost! Amen!

PRAYER OF DEDICATIONLaura Shigeta

ORACIÓN DE DEDICACIÓN

Holy One, we thank you for our abundance and the privilege to share in the flourishing of our community and the world. Bless these gifts and be glorified by our generosity and trust in your provision, sufficiency, and renewing power. Amen.

CONTEMPORARY VOICE *VOZ CONTEMPORÁNEA*

Earth Is Ghetto, song by Aliah Sheffield

Earth is ghetto I wanna leave
Can you beam me up
I'm out on the street
By the Corner store, you know the one on 15th?
Got a bright shirt on, so I'm easy to see
I've been down here, stranded indefinitely
I can't reach my planet, but I need to leave
You should see these people it's hard to believe
How they treat each other it's hard to conceive



Aliah Sheffield is a singer-songwriter and instrumentalist who molds minimalist soul and R&B to create a welcoming space surrounding her ruminations on love, life, and speaking truth to the world.

Oh, Earth is ghetto I wanna leave

I wanna leave

They have their hungry starving nothing to eat

The homeless, living out on the street

And the sick are dying, crooked police

Politicians lying, cramming laws on the street

I got five on fuel if you need it from me

I'll sit in the back if you ride in too deep

Better lock the doors people lie, steal and cheat

Roll the windows up so we can head out in peace

Oh, Earth is ghetto

I wanna leave

I've been down here stranded indefinitely

I can't reach my planet, but I need to leave

You should see these people it's hard to believe

How they treat each other it's hard to conceive

Oh, earth is ghetto, I want to leave

I wanna leave

SCRIPTURE READING *LECTURA DE LAS ESCRITURAS* Mark 13:1-8

(Dr. Wilda Gafney Translation)

read by Rev. Bechtold

Now as Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Teacher! Look! Such stones and such buildings!” Then Jesus said to his disciple, “Do you see these great buildings? Not a single stone will be left here upon another that will not be demolished.” So when Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, “Tell us when all this will be, and what will be the sign these things are about to come to pass?” Thus Jesus began to say to them, “See to it no one leads you all astray. Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will deceive many. So when you all hear of wars and rumors of wars do not be alarmed; this must be however, the end is not yet. For nation will rise against nation, and monarchy against monarchy; there will be earthquakes in particular places; there will be famines. This is the beginning of the birthpangs.”

ANTHEM *EL HIMNO*

When Peace Like A River, text by Horatio G. Spafford

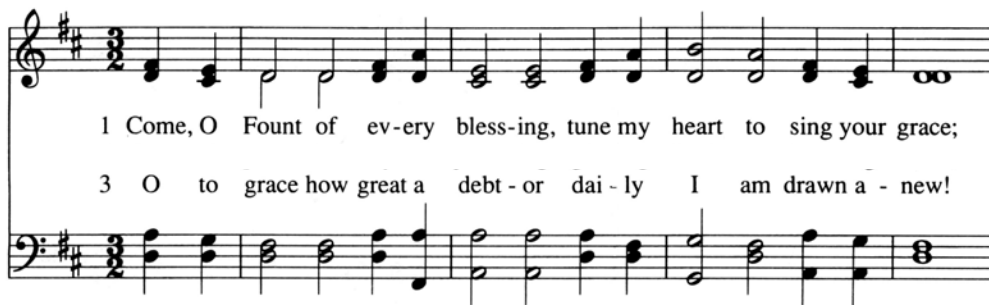
Tune: VILLE DU HAVRE

Plymouth Choir, Eliza Woodyard, Choir Director

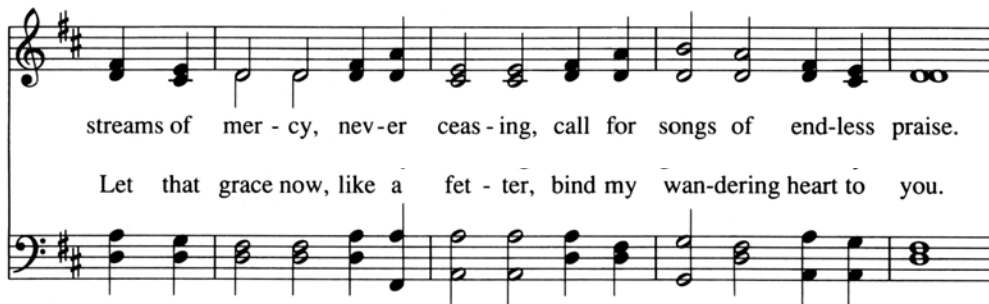
SERMON *SERMÓN* *Earth At the End of Its Rope* Dr. Brown

HYMN OF COMMITMENT *HIMNO DE COMPROMISO*

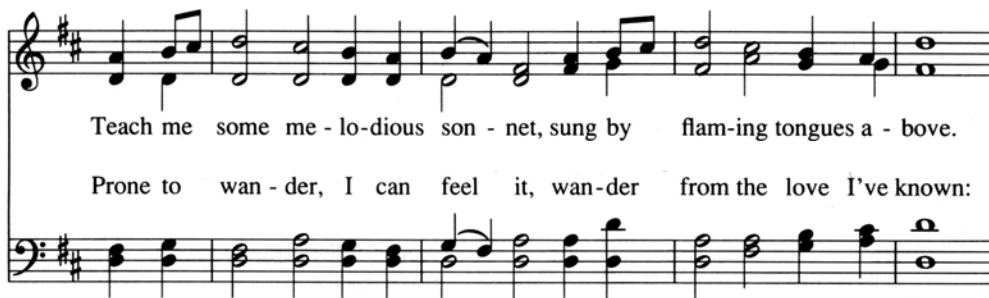
Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing (#459), vss 1,3. NETTLETON



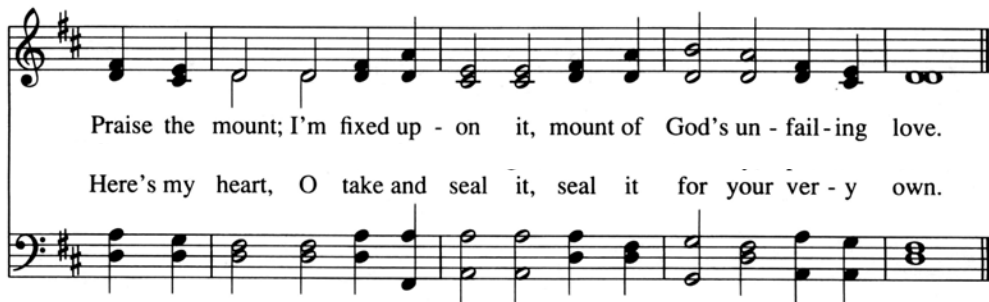
1 Come, O Fount of ev-ery bless-ing, tune my heart to sing your grace;
3 O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I am drawn a - new!



streams of mer - cy, nev-er ceas-ing, call for songs of end-less praise.
Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan-dering heart to you.



Teach me some me - lo-dious son - net, sung by flam-ing tongues a - bove.
Prone to wan - der, I can feel it, wan-der from the love I've known:



Praise the mount; I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - fail - ing love.
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for your ver - y own.

BENEDICTION *BENDICIÓN* Dr. Brown

POSTLUDE *POSTLUDIO*

Improvisation on Siyahamba! (#526) Dr. Lee Peterson
Dr. Lee Peterson, piano



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worldwide Communion Sunday Today's special offering will be divided evenly between Neighbors in Need and Plymouth UCC Scholarship Fund. We give thanks for your faithful support of these ministries.

October is Clergy Appreciation Month Let your hard-working and beloved Plymouth clergy know they are appreciated.

Explore Selma and Bloody Sunday with an educational trip to Selma, Alabama, March 6-14, 2025, led by Museum Without Walls. Read more and reserve your place now in the news article at PymouthChurchSeattle.org. **PLEASE NOTE: The trip to Vanport is postponed. Information on new dates will be shared when available.**

Order Free COVID Tests Now Every US household is eligible to order 4 at-home tests completely free — you won't even pay for shipping. Read more and order tests at CovidTests.gov.

Help with Plymouth Asylum Clinic Saturday, October 19, 9: am to 6:30 pm. Asylum seekers from many countries will be assisted with completing asylum applications.. Volunteers are need in many capacities! See news article at PlymouthChurchSeattle.org. Contact Janet Gwilym J.Gwilym@hotmail.com.

Sign the Book of Life Remember and honor friends and family who have passed by writing their names in the Book of Life. Add names online using the link in the news article at PlymouthChurchSeattle.org, or sign the book at Plymouth in the Lounge by October 30.

“Hold Fast to Dreams” ChoralArts NW concert at Plymouth 7:30 pm Saturday, October 12. Plymouth community receives \$5 off general pre-sale tickets if purchased by October 7, using discount code PlymouthOct2024. More info and tickets at ChoralArtsNW.org.

2025 Calendars Sought for Inmates The inmates at Monroe Correctional Facility really appreciate current calendars. If you receive free calendars in the mail you won't use, would you please donate them? Drop them in the box at church on Sundays. Questions? Contact Christine Hanson: HansonChristineAnn@gmail.com.

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

The Plymouth Church Library is open before and after worship every Sunday morning.

**Jesus prepared a
meal for the
multitudes to
remind us that we
feed people not
because we believe
they deserve it, but
because they're
hungry.**

johnpavlovitz.com

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.