



PLYMOUTH
United Church of Christ

10:30 AM SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 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.

Contact Info@PlymouthChurchSeattle.org.

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

If you have personal concerns, you may contact a minister or member of the Pastoral Care Team
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TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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

PRELUDE *PRELUDIO*

In the Glen Hamish MacCunn
Peter Nelson-King, piano

CALL TO WORSHIP June Hayakawa-Fung
LLAMADO A ADORAR

(Inspired by Psalm 104)

One: Today we gather to worship, with all our hopes,
weariness, joys, and concerns swirling within
us. We gather to worship One who both ascends
above our condition and descends to meet us in
the midst of them.

**Many: Bless the Holy One, O my soul. O Creator,
my God, you are very great. You are
clothed with honor and majesty.**

One: We are humbled and grateful that the Majestic
God knows our names and seeks our presence.

**Many: Bless the Holy One, O my soul. O Creator,
my God, you are very great. You are
clothed with honor and majesty.**

One: We raise our spirits as one body, strengthening,
fortifying, and encouraging one another as we
honor The Holy One's glorious and precious name.

**All: Bless the Holy One, O my soul. O Creator,
my God, you are very great. You are
clothed with honor and majesty.**

OPENING HYMN *HIMNO DE APERTURA*

What A Covenant (#471) LEANING

1 What a cov - e - nant, what a joy di - vine, lean - ing on the ev - er -
2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pil - grim way, lean - ing on the ev - er -
3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, lean - ing on the ev - er -

last - ing arms. What a bless - ed - ness, what a peace is mine, lean - ing
last - ing arms. Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, lean - ing
last - ing arms? I have bless - ed peace with my Sav - ior near, lean - ing

Refrain

on the ev - er - last - ing arms.
on the ev - er - last - ing arms. Lean - ing, lean - ing, safe and se - cure from
on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

all a - larms; lean - ing, lean - ing, lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION. Ms. Hayakawa-Fung

ORACIÓN DE CONFESIÓN

One: Liberating God, break us free from all the ways this world enslaves and ensnares your people.

Many: May our hearts be infused with your compassion.

One: May our works be filled with your generosity.

Many: May our lives be testaments that new life in freedom, in love, and in you are possible

One: Transform us by your Spirit each day to be the part of you the world needs from us.

All: We trust in your mercy and grace to make room and empower us to make it so.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE. Ms. Hayakawa-Fung

SEGURIDAD DE GRACIA

Beloved, even now, the Holy One supplies the means to rewrite your story. God will strengthen you in your weakness, direct you in your uncertainty, and encourage you in your weariness. God has formed you, sustains you, and will be with you through it all.

Amen.

WELCOME BIENVENIDA Rev. Dr. Kelle Brown

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Dr. Brown

ORACIONES DEL PUEBLO

Afghan Family (Siblings of Plymouth), 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, 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), Concetta Lewis (Sister of Jo-Ann Guthrie), William Chapman Nyaho, Denny Palmason (Brother of Jon Palmason), Mari Mitchell & Alex Putnum, Jaime Rubio Sulficio

A service celebrating the life of Dr. Maxine Mimms will be held March 8, 2025, at the Evergreen State College Tacoma.



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 PEACEDr. Brown

LLAMADO A LA OFERTA Y COMPARTIENDO LA PAZ

The invitation to give is a gift not a debt. We share our resources
because we were created to be mutually dependent upon one
another. When we give generously, we demonstrate our faith in
God's generosity, provision, and abundance. Therefore, let us give
with thanksgiving and love for God and our neighbor.

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 DEDICATIONDr. Brown

ORACIÓN DE DEDICACIÓN

**Good and Generous God, receive these gifts as an
offering of our love and lives. May they be used to
benefit your people and to honor your holy name.
Amen.**

OFFERING MUSIC *OFRECIENDO MÚSICA*

Chorale Improvisation on O Gott du frommer Gott, Op. 65, No. 50
by Sigfrid Karg-Elert
Peter Nelson-King, piano

CONTEMPORARY VOICE *VOZ CONTEMPORÁNEA*
Easter Shoes, by Cornelius Eady



Cornelius Eady is an American writer focusing largely on matters of race and society. His poetry is often praised for its approachable language.

In a hidden chapter of the Good Book,
Is there a verse that explains
Why Jesus cares for fashion,
Why my feet must be encased
And pinched? When you're a kid,
It's how someone else dresses you;
You won't grow into these black, shiny
patents, as much as your mother
Wants it. On the way to Sunday School,
You are a mirage, like the new store shine
You scuff, as you obey.

SCRIPTURE READING *LECTURA DE LAS ESCRITURAS* Mark 4:21-25
(Dr. Wilda Gafney Translation) read by Rev. Kevin Bechtold

Jesus said to [the crowd of women, men, and children], "A lamp is not brought in to be put under the grain basket, under the bed and not on the lampstand is it? For there is nothing hidden, except in order that it may be revealed; nor is anything concealed, except to be made known. Let the one who has ears to hear, heed!" Then Jesus said to them, "Watch what you hear; by the measure you all measure shall it be measured unto you, and still more will be given you. For to the one who has, more will be given to them, and from the one who does not have, even what they have will be taken away from them."

ANTHEM *EL HIMNO*

How Can I Keep From Singing?

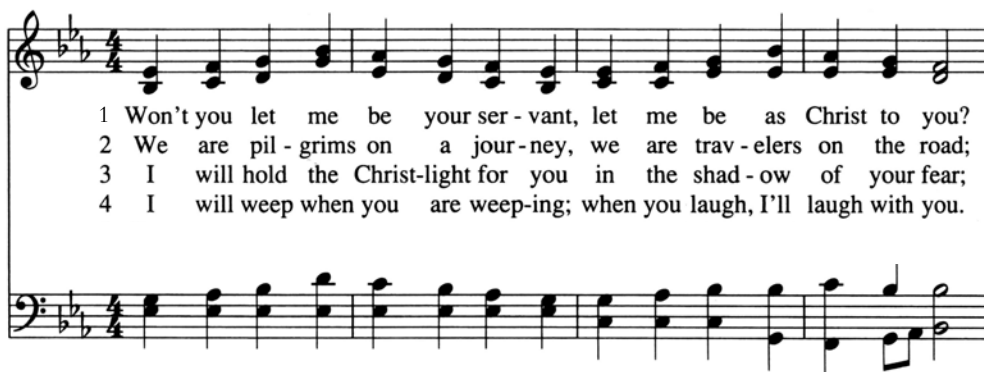
Tune: ENDLESS SONG

Plymouth Choir; Eliza Woodyard, Director

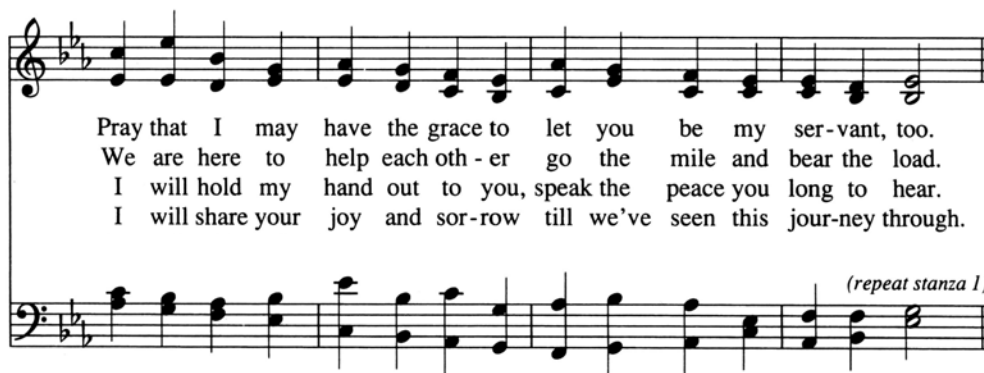
SERMON *SERMÓN* Rev. Bechtold

HYMN OF COMMITMENT *HIMNO DE COMPROMISO*

Won't You Let Me Be Your Servant? (#539) *vss 1-4* SERVANT SONG



1 Won't you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as Christ to you?
2 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, we are trav - elers on the road;
3 I will hold the Christ-light for you in the shad - ow of your fear;
4 I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you laugh, I'll laugh with you.



Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my ser - vant, too.
We are here to help each oth - er go the mile and bear the load.
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.
I will share your joy and sor - row till we've seen this jour - ney through.

(repeat stanza 1)

BENEDICTION *BENDICIÓN* Rev. Bechtold

POSTLUDE *POSTLUDIO*

Hornpipe, Op. 39, No. 3 Walter Niemann
Peter Nelson-King, piano



ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Sound Medicine Meditation Tory Trujillo offers a monthly deep healing Sound Medicine Meditation after worship in Hildebrand Hall **today**. Next session is scheduled for Sunday, November 17. Read more at PlymouthChurchSeattle.org.

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.

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.

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.

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

Please Remember to fill out your card to pledge your time, talent, and treasure and to express your desire to covenant with Plymouth. We are grateful for your commitment to Plymouth Church over the coming year and welcome you in covenanting with God, Plymouth Church, and one another.

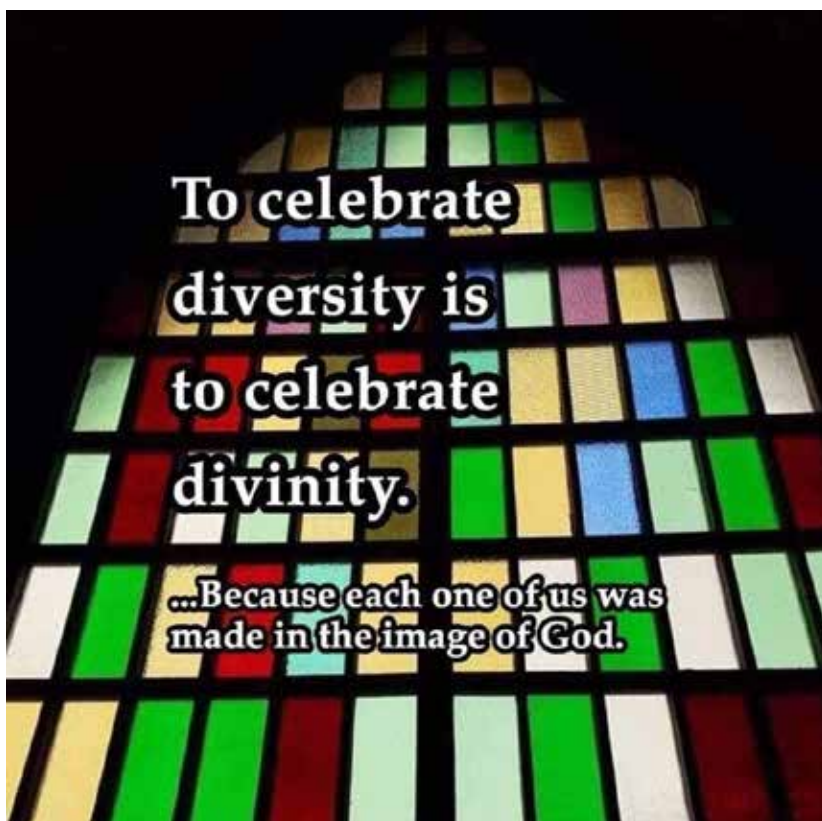
Study the Bible with Plymouth Wednesdays at 9 am or Thursdays at 7 pm The Zoom link in the news article at PlymouthChurchSeattle.org will be the same every week for both Wednesday morning and Thursday evening studies.

Help Lead Worship The Plymouth Worship Team welcomes lay leaders to help with worship, both in person and online. If you feel called to serve, please contact Rev. Kevin Bechtold: KBechtold@PlymouthChurchSeattle.org.

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).

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



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.