

EASTER SUNDAY AT PLYMOUTH

10:30 am Sunday, April 9, 2023

Worship In Person or Online

Service in the Sanctuary

9:30 Fellowship and Food, Lounge

Easter Sunday

John 20:1-18

“Dreamcasting”

Rev. Dr. Kelle Brown

*Horizon House residents can ride the charter bus
to Plymouth on Easter Sunday, April 9.*

SPREAD EASTER JOY!

On this Easter Sunday with Plymouth, all are encouraged to continue the Plymouth tradition of visiting and delivering a cheerful flower to those members who are isolated or who have suffered a loss. Look for the cards and deliver on Easter or sometime in the next week to share the love and joy of the season.

Find links to video stream and worship bulletin and participate online at **PlymouthChurchSeattle.org**.

If you have personal concerns, you may contact a minister or member of the Pastoral Care Team by calling the pastoral care line, **206.639.7739**, checked daily.

EASTER FLOWERS

Flowers given in memory or in honor of...

Ernest and Alberta Colglazier,

Bob Hanson, Carl White,
from Bertha Hanson

John and Jean Haigh; Al and Dorothy Hagen,
from Ken and Jeanette Hagen

John Blaine, Lillian and Wallace Davis, Sr.,
from Lauren Davis

Don Frothingham, *from Ann Frothingham*

Jessie Attri, *from Anne Kiemle*

Bob Bradbury, *from Jane Ann Bradbury*

To the Glory of Easter,
from Kerry and Darlene Krenzke

Additional Contributions from

Raney Newman

Betty Eberharter

Karen Gwilym

Vicki Schoettle



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Return Service Requested

OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH...

Afghan Family (Supported by Plymouth), Susan Carter (Mother of Heather Banks & Kathleen Bernard), Sue Ellen Daniel (Friend of Barb Laski), John Daniels, Jim Oswald (Friend of Bing Tso), Susan Emerson, Anna Florey, Diane Folkert & Family (Mother-in-law of Ara Lawrence), Montecino Family, Marni Good (Friend of Ricky Powell), Allie James (Friend of Dawn Bennett), Irma Johnson (Friend of Toni Arthur), Shirley K. Shelley (Aunt of Ricky Powell), Concetta Lewis (Sister of Jo-Ann Guthrie), Mamadou Diakhate (Friend of Floyd Gossett), Barbara Miller (Friend of Barb Laski), Eric Minea (Cousin of Kristine Danzinger), Anna Partch (Friend of Sari Breznau), Jose Robles and Family, Doug Ryan (Brother of Mary Ryan), Abby Scott (Friend of Anne Mohundro), Jaime Rubio Sulficio, Beta Utu Malae (Sister of Robert Malae), Charon Washington (Sister of Michael Gordon)

We remember the family and friends of Marilyn Newland on the one-year anniversary of her passing.

bold=newly added. Names will remain on list for six weeks unless requested.

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WORSHIP ON GOOD FRIDAY



Join us for worship at noon Good Friday, April 7, in the Sanctuary or online. We gather to reflect and remember Jesus' last words on the cross. A time to engage with the mystery, sorrow, and expectation of Good Friday and Holy Week.

“Forgive them, for they know not what they do.”
Rev. Priscilla Austin;
“Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in

paradise.” **Rev. Katie Ladd;** *“Woman, behold your son.”* *“Son, behold your mother.”* **Min. Ara Lawrence;** *“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”* **Rev. Dr. Linda Smith;** *“I thirst.”* **Rev. Shalom Agtarap;** *“It is finished.”* **Rev. Jenn Hagedorn;** *“Into your hands I commend my spirit.”* **Rev. Dr. Kelle Brown.**

Parking available in the 1200 5th Building garage (next door to Plymouth). Take a ticket from the machine when entering the garage, then park in any non-reserved stall. Once in the church get a validation ticket from the welcome table in the Lounge, or ask a greeter for one. When exiting the garage, first insert the ticket received at entry, then the validation ticket. The validation ticket will change the amount due to \$0 and open the gate arm. ✦

WALK THE LABYRINTH

All are welcome to walk the Plymouth labyrinth on Good Friday, April 7, 10 am-noon and 2-3 pm. As we walk the labyrinth, our physical and spiritual paths converge to become a pilgrimage. The labyrinth is a safe and intentional place for introspection, a place where we can dedicate focused time to our questions and prayers. ✦



Good Friday walk 10 am-Noon & 2-3 pm.

CELEBRATE EASTER WITH PLYMOUTH

You are invited to gather at 9:30 am in the Lounge Easter Sunday, April 9, for a breakfast snack and time for fellowship before the festive 10:30 am service. Bring friends and family with you and rejoice in the Resurrection this Sunday.

Instead of finding a sealed tomb, the women who had come at dawn on Sunday are surprised by a messenger who announces astonishing news: “Jesus has been raised from the dead” (Matt. 28:7). The heavenly figure invites the mourners to see the empty tomb and then go and tell the disciples that the Crucified One is alive!

The season from Easter to Pentecost is also called the Great Fifty Days, a tradition inspired by the Jewish season of fifty

“The strange turning of what seemed to be a horrendous ‘No’ to a glorious ‘Yes’ is always the message of Easter”
—*Madeleine L’Engle*

on Pentecost Sunday, gold is replaced with red, reminding us of fire—the symbol of the Holy Spirit. On Pentecost the Holy Spirit overpowered the barriers of culture and race.

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APRIL IS
AUTISM ACCEPTANCE MONTH



The Autistic Self-Advocacy Network (ASAN) has called April “Autism Acceptance Month” since 2011, saying: “Acceptance of autism as a natural condition in the human experience is necessary for real dialogue to occur.” Today, society has a greater awareness of autism than ever before. But those affected by autism often face a number of struggles throughout life, from bullying and prejudice to limited job opportunities and access to health care. Education about the autism community is important, but advocates argue that we shouldn’t stop there. Autistic people need not just awareness, but acceptance and inclusion in order to have true support from their communities.

Autism acceptance is not just a buzzword — it is an action. It means changing how society thinks about autism, respecting the rights and humanity of all autistic people, and aligning advocacy and research priorities with the priorities of the autistic community.

Ultimately, the goal of Autism Acceptance Month is to be more inclusive of the very community it seeks to celebrate. It promotes not just education about the differences of people with autism, but understanding and respecting those differences. It calls for more tangible progress toward equal rights and resources.

By observing Autism Acceptance Month, we can create a world where those with autism can thrive. Through education, advocacy, and acceptance, we can make this world a better and more inclusive society for all.

BE THE CHURCH



Covenant giving includes your time and using your gifts. There are many tasks that you can do. Training provided if needed. Volunteer opportunities include money counting after worship, greeting on Sundays, answering phones 2 days a week (10 am– 2 pm), preparing communion or food for coffee hour, help as needed for special events, or sharing whatever gifts you wish to offer. Contact Toni Arthur, TArthur@PlymouthChurchSeattle.org, to get started.

ORGAN RECITAL AND HYMN SING

Gather in the Sanctuary at 2 pm Sunday, April 16 for an organ recital and hymn sing led by Rev. James Parrish Smith, Director of Music and Organist at the First Presbyterian Church of Berkeley, California. All welcome. Suggested donation: \$20.



Hear Rev. James Parrish Smith April 16.

Rev. Smith has served in musical leadership in prominent churches in Louisiana, Florida, and Alabama, most recently serving the historic Third Baptist Church of San Francisco where he was Director of Music and Organist and Founding Director of the Bridge to Arts and Music Program in association with the San Francisco Conservatory of Music. He currently serves as Dean of the San Francisco Chapter of the American Guild of Organists.

A CONTEMPORARY PORTRAIT:
DR. BRIAN RAPHAEL NABORS



Dr. Brian Raphael Nabors.

“My compositional voice really is rooted in humanity and exploring different facets, and stories, and narratives behind humanity.” —Dr. Brian Raphael Nabors

Guest Artistic Director Joseph Williams presents a portrait of contemporary composer Dr. Brian Raphael Nabors. Williams notes: “I’ve always described the music of Dr. Brian Raphael Nabors as chocolate. Expansive, vibrant, heartfelt, churchy, funky, classical, Black.”

Violinist Caitlin Edwards and cellist Sterling Elliot perform an emotionally rich program including Nabor’s *Piano Trio*, *Theme and Variations for Solo Violin*, and *Sonata for Cello and Piano*.

This online concert at 7 pm, April 23, is free. Donations are welcome. See the news article at PlymouthChurchSeattle.org for viewing and donation links, along with more information.

CONNECT WITH COUNCIL

Members of the Plymouth community are invited to meet with Council members to ask questions, make suggestions, and express their hopes for Plymouth. Council members are available online via Zoom 7–8 pm the second Wednesday of each month. Next opportunity is 7 pm April 12. Email Diane Jacobsen by 5 pm the day of the meeting for the Zoom link.

ANTI-RACIST GIVING WORKSHOP

How do we decide when, where and how much to give? How do our social and racial identities shape our relationships with money and giving? What does it look like to center the giving of money as part of our anti-racist practice? SJF (Social Justice Fund), CARW (Coalition of Anti-Racist Whites) and Plymouth Church UCC have teamed up to present this interactive workshop where we will work through these questions and more together and begin to build our personal social justice giving plans.



6–8:30 pm (PST) Thursday, April 27, at Plymouth Church UCC. Link to register in news article at PlymouthChurchSeattle.org, or: bit.ly/ARG-April27

SEATTLE CONVERGENCE



At University Unitarian and University UCC..

Gather with others in the Seattle area for nourishment in the work of anti-racism and collective liberation.

These events are intentionally multi-religious and open to all people of goodwill whose call to anti-racism is an embodiment of their values and/or spiritual practice.

PRAXIS: a workshop for religious/spiritual leaders to generate lessons, culture, and power for collective liberation with Ayoka Turner and Chris Crass
Saturday, April 15, 1–5 pm

At University Unitarian Church, 6556 35th Ave NE, Seattle. This workshop is designed for leaders or those interested in leadership. Great for members of an anti-racism team, a congregation council or board, finance teams, and staff supervisors.

Anti-racist Parenting for Collective Liberation,
Sunday, April 16, 4:30 –7 pm

At University Unitarian Church. Workshop focuses on sharing stories and insights with an understanding that being in community together can help us feel more connected, grounded and capable.

CONVERGENCE: Heart and Soul Nourishment for Anti-racism and Collective Liberation with Rev. Sekou and Chris Crass, Saturday, April 22, 1 pm–4 pm

At University UCC, 4515 16th Ave NE, Seattle. Designed to encourage and uplift with music, sharing and connecting. Read more and register at Collective-Liberation.org.

GRIEVING WITH NASHVILLE

The United Church of Christ National Officers publicly mourn the deaths of three children and three adults in a shooting March 27 at an elementary school in Nashville. The officers continue to call for immediate action through reasonable legislation to prevent gun violence and save lives.



Visit UCC.org to get involved.

Every child deserves to make it through the school day alive. The officers and national staff of the United Church of Christ mourn with those who lament the needless deaths of Evelyn Dieckhaus, Hallie Scruggs, William Kinney, Cynthia Peak, Katherine Koonce, and Mike Hill, violently killed at The Covenant School in Nashville, Tennessee.

We grieve for and with the families and friends of those who will never come home again. We lament the tortured thoughts and death of one who lost their way to love of themselves and others. We decry our complicity with providing legal and easy access to weapons no one needs. And we grieve a Congress that lacks the conviction to place the safety of our children and adult citizens above political aspirations.

We are in the third month of the new year, and 10,215 persons have died from gun violence in the United States since this year began. There have been 130 mass shootings, and 417 children

“There is something deeply hypocritical about praying for a problem you are unwilling to resolve.” —Miroslav Volf

have been victims of gun violence this year. We join our prayers with those ascending in this moment for these families, and

those that ascended for the victims of every mass shooting from Columbine to Nashville. And we will continue to urge Congress and communities toward reasonable gun legislation, an already available response to our impassioned plea.

With Resurrection Hope,
The Elected Officers of the United Church of Christ
The Rev. John C. Dorhauer,
General Minister and President
The Rev. Traci Blackmon,
Associate General Minister and Vice President
The Rev. Karen Georgia Thompson,
Associate General Minister and Vice President