

## SUNDAY AT PLYMOUTH

10:30 am Sunday, August 6, 2023  
Worship In Person or Online

*Tenth Sunday after Pentecost  
Sacrament of Communion*

1 Samuel 15: 1-3, 8, 10-17, 24-25  
“When God Speaks by Night”

Rev. Dr. Kelle Brown

11:30 am Organ Recital, Sanctuary

1 pm Memorial Service for Jim Reynolds,  
Horizon House Sky Lounge

6 pm From Hiroshima to Hope, Green Lake

*Horizon House residents can ride the charter bus to Plymouth first  
Sunday of every month. The bus will pick you up at Horizon  
House in time for the 10:30 am service and return you afterward.*

Plan now to attend worship **Sunday, September 10**,  
as we begin our church program year. Let us move forward  
together to see what the Spirit has in store!

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.



Return Service Requested

## OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH...

John Adams (Father of Katherine Guthrie), Afghan Family (Supported by Plymouth), Michelle J. Bennett (Sister of Dawn Bennett), **Merryn Bentley (Granddaughter of Al and Judy Bentley)**, Alvina Mae & Walter Bethel (Friends of Karen Clark), Susan Carter (Mother of Heather Banks & Kathleen Bernard), Mike Correy (Friend of Karen Clark), Sue Ellen Daniel (Friend of Barb Laski), Mark & JT Edwards, JoAnn English (Relative of Lucian Guthrie), Marni Good (Friend of Ricky Powell), Floyd Gossett, Carrie Gossett (Mother of Floyd Gossett), Lucian Guthrie, Allie James (Friend of Dawn Bennett), Shirley K. Shelley (Aunt of Ricky Powell), The Keith Family (Friends of Mari Mitchell and Alex), Concetta Lewis (Sister of Jo-Ann Guthrie), Lindsey (Niece of Nan Macy), Beta Utu Malae (Sister of Robert Malae), Barbara Miller (Friend of Barb Laski), Paula Orrego, Jim Oswald (Friend of Bing Tso), Anna Partch (Friend of Sari Breznau), Joshua Robinson (Grandson of Patricia Valentine), Jose Robles and Family, Rachel Sebastian (Friend of Jeanette Hagen), Jaime Rubio Sulficio, Charon Washington (Sister of Michael Gordon), Pluma Wright (Friend of Glenda Carper), Judy Young (Friend of Glenda Carper), Ashley and the Zorich Family (Granddaughter of Betty Eberharter), Ashley and the Zorich Family (Granddaughter of Betty Eberharter)

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

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## ORGAN RECITAL AUGUST 6



Dr. Mikhail Johnson

Plymouth was blessed to welcome internationally renowned composer and keyboard virtuoso Dr. Mikhail Johnson as our Organist in Residence since June 25. Dr. Johnson's residency culminates in a recital following worship on Sunday, August 6.

He reflects, “A Residency of any kind is a creator's space to explore, learn, experiment and shape the very things that mean the most to them: their art. In the context of this residency, I am for a time, a steward of music to this church. I assist in elevating the worship experience, bringing joy, solace, healing, exuberant praise, and essentially the church's congregation a little closer to that foretaste of glory divine, through music. Many thanks to The Reverend Dr. Kelle J. Brown and Mr. Joe Williams for the opportunity to present musical offerings in this capacity to God and to God's congregation at Plymouth Church.”

Plan now to attend a special musical afternoon and to thank Dr. Johnson for his contribution to our worship life. ✨

## THEOLOGY AND DEPRESSION

Dr. Jessica Coblentz will present material from her book *Dust in the Blood: A Theology of Life with Depression* to help Christians think about how we theologically frame depression. August 9, 7-8:30 pm at The Well at Queen Anne UMC (1606 5th Ave W Seattle, 98119).



Dr. Jessica Coblentz

Dr. Coblentz is Associate Professor of Religious Studies and Theology, Gender and Womens Studies at Saint Mary's College in Notre Dame, Indiana. She has lived with depression. This conversation will walk us through how theology has talked about depression and will look at how we might “sketch new maps” for addressing living with depression as people of faith. Link for tickets (pay as you are able) in the news article at [PlymouthChurchSeattle.org](https://PlymouthChurchSeattle.org), or visit [TheWellQueenAnne.org](https://TheWellQueenAnne.org). ✨

## FROM HIROSHIMA TO HOPE

Candle-lit lanterns will spark hope at Seattle's annual lantern-floating peace ceremony on Sunday evening, August 6 at Green Lake, just south of the Bathhouse. Program includes music, poetry, dance and speakers. The event marks the 78th anniversary of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, honoring all victims of war and violence. This year also marks the 81st anniversary of Executive Order 9066, which led to the incarceration of Japanese Americans on the U.S. West Coast.



6 pm Sunday, August 6 at Green Lake.



Add your light to keep hope afloat.

The event begins at 6 pm with lantern preparation. The family-friendly program begins at 7 pm and includes the popular Japanese-American drum group, *Seattle Kokon Taiko*. Rev. Dr. Kelle Brown, Senior Pastor at Plymouth Church in Seattle, will give the keynote speech with a social justice focus. Dr. Brown facilitates conversations

on dismantling oppression through reflecting on privilege, bias, prejudice, and bigotry.

This year features a performance by dancer/choreographer Gabrielle Nomura Gainor, presenting a piece titled “*Sadako and the Cranes*.” Performers also include the Seattle Peace Chorus Action Ensemble, and poetry and prose from Seattle writers Carole Okamoto, Dee Goto, and Liz Murata with the Omoide Project, a program of the Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Washington.

The candle-lit lantern ceremony begins at 8:15 pm. Patrick Johnson will play *shakuhachi* at the dock, the traditional flute music accompanying the floating lanterns.

The event is sponsored in part by The Abe Keller Peace Education Fund. It is free and open to the public. Donations are welcome. Visit [FromHiroshimaToHope.org](https://FromHiroshimaToHope.org) for more information or call 206-928-2590. ✨



KEY TO HOPE



Please join us for Key to Hope: Cultivating Compassion on Friday, October 13. Now in its 20th year, Key to Hope is a signature fundraising event for Plymouth Housing. With a success rate of over 95% in helping people leave homelessness behind for good, Plymouth offers a vital solution to one of our region’s biggest challenges. This year’s luncheon, featuring a keynote presentation by Dr. Nadine Burke Harris, will explore ways we can harness the power of empathy in our response to homelessness. Learn more and register at [PlymouthHousing.org](https://PlymouthHousing.org). Keynote presenter Dr. Nadine Burke Harris is an award-winning physician, researcher, and public health leader. Dr. Burke Harris has dedicated her career to serving vulnerable communities and addressing the root causes of health disparities. Many people who experience homelessness are living with the long-term impacts of childhood trauma, which adversely affects health outcomes throughout their lives. Dr. Burke Harris’ keynote will explore best practices surrounding trauma-informed care. How can a safe, stable community—like one that Plymouth Housing provides—be a crucial part of advancing the health and well-being of our most vulnerable neighbors? A pediatrician and former surgeon general of California, Dr. Burke Harris is known for her TED talk “How childhood trauma affects health across a lifetime.”



Keynote speaker Dr. Nadine Burke Harris

At Plymouth Housing, we dream of a future where everyone has a home. We provide residents with furnished studio apartments and services such as health care and counseling. Each Plymouth Housing resident has a unique personal history, but they also have a lot in common: 95% have a disability, 61% are 55 or older, 15% are veterans, and 47% are people of color. All 1,200 are people who previously experienced homelessness for many years, and they are bright, resilient members of our community. Right now in Seattle and King County, more than 3,355 individuals are “chronically homeless,” according to most recent data from the 2020 Point-in-Time Count. These are the people at the heart of our mission. With these individuals in mind, we’re proud to unveil our three-year strategic plan for 2023–2025. By following this plan, Plymouth Housing will make an even bigger impact on the homelessness crisis in our region. Read the strategic plan and register for Key to Hope (or donate online if not able to attend) at [PlymouthHousing.org](https://PlymouthHousing.org). We give thanks for your faithful support. ✨

BRING CLOTHING AND SHOES



Bring gently used clothing and shoes.

Plymouth Church, UCC is now a proud sponsor of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Puget Sound. You can help by dropping off clothing and shoes at the church in the grey bin located by the elevator on the 1st floor. Gently used clothing and shoes of any size are appreciated. This is also an opportunity to help the environment by diverting used clothing from landfills.

Read more about their mission and programs at [InspireBig.org](https://InspireBig.org). Contact Toni Arthur ([TArthur@PlymouthChurchSeattle.org](mailto:TArthur@PlymouthChurchSeattle.org)) if you have any questions. ✨

HELP OUR AFGHAN NEIGHBORS

Since the fall of Kabul in August 2021, millions of Afghans have been displaced from their homes, including many who risked their lives in support of the U.S. mission. Many more remain at risk in Afghanistan where pathways to evacuation and protection have been limited and backlogged. The Afghan Adjustment Act would provide stability for our Afghan neighbors and expand safe pathways for those left behind in Afghanistan or other countries where they remain in harm’s way.



Protect the most vulnerable.

Please see the news article at [PlymouthChurchSeattle.org](https://PlymouthChurchSeattle.org) for links to contact your representatives and help spread the word among your friends. ✨

RIP MEDICAL DEBT



Help make this a year of jubilee!

Over a hundred million Americans struggle with the weight of medical debt. Your donation helps lift the burden. Through your donations, RIP Medical Debt purchases bundled medical debt for pennies on the dollar and then eliminates that debt. Each recipient will owe nothing on the debt and will face no tax penalty. For those touched by this movement to abolish medical debt, it will be a year of Jubilee! Contribute to Plymouth’s campaign, “Licks of Fire” by using the link in the news article at [PlymouthChurchSeattle.org](https://PlymouthChurchSeattle.org). Visit [RIPMedicalDebt.org](https://RIPMedicalDebt.org) to learn more. ✨

YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Plymouth UCC and the wider church humbly thank all who contributed to the Pentecost Special offering. Thanks to you, we received \$1,690.00 in donations toward Strengthen the Church, supporting the expansion of ministry and growth of UCC local congregations, and Plymouth UCC Scholarship Fund, allowing several the opportunity to attend All Church Camp at N-Sid-Sen camp in July. Your donations are creating memorable differences in people’s lives.

*A few photos from Camp N-Sid-Sen this year, made possible in part by your generous giving, courtesy of Cameron Florey and Lyn Stultz:*



HERALD ON HIATUS

The Plymouth *Herald* will be on hiatus for three weeks, beginning August 9. Weekly publication resumes August 30. Stay up to date by checking [PlymouthChurchSeattle.org](https://PlymouthChurchSeattle.org), and look for periodic email updates. ✨

AND...ACTION!

Reel Youth Film Camp is the recipient of one of Plymouth UCC’s 5 mission grants administered by the Community Service and Social Action Board. Reel Youth Film Camp offers fun, hands-on, educational film programs for BIPOC youth, focusing on enrolling youth from under-served neighborhoods in Central and Southeast Seattle. Courses offer one-on-one instruction, engaging group sessions, and hands-on training. Reel Youth students taking part in our film camps will storyboard, write, produce, direct and act in their very own short film. Upcoming events include:

- **Summer Camp Festival Submission:** Ages 15–17, August 7–11, 9:30 am–3:30 pm at Langston Hughes Center, 104 17th Ave S, Seattle, WA 98144

Get ready to dive into the fundamentals of the craft and unlock your creative potential! Our ultimate goal for this camp is to submit your collective masterpiece to the prestigious Seattle Film Summit. Imagine seeing your film on the big screen and sharing your talent with a wider audience.

- **Action Academy Stunt Film Camp:** Ages 10–14, August 28–September 1, 9:30 am–3:30 pm at Rainier Arts Center, 3515 S Alaska St Seattle, WA 98118

A thrilling 5-day course designed exclusively for students aged 10–14. Learn the art of choreographed stunts, special effects, and movie magic from industry professionals. Experience the ultimate stunt film camp where imagination meets action!

More information, including links to enroll, in the news article at [PlymouthChurchSeattle.org](https://PlymouthChurchSeattle.org) or visit [ReelYouthFilmCamp.org](https://ReelYouthFilmCamp.org). ✨

SOUND MEDICINE MEDITATION

Join Tory Trujillo for a deeply healing Sound Medicine Meditation, sometimes referred to as a sound bath. Participants are encouraged to bring yoga mats, and other items of comfort if they wish to participate while lying down. Some mats and blankets will be available to borrow. Be prepared to receive a profoundly transformational and healing experience. Session will last between 60 and 75 minutes.

**Please join us in Hildebrand Hall 12:30 pm Sunday, August 20. Suggested donation \$20.** ✨



Opportunities for youth this summer.



Tory Trujillo