

SUNDAY AT PLYMOUTH

Worship In Person or Live Online

10:30 am Sunday, September 11, 2022

Homecoming Sunday

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sacrament of Communion

2 Corinthians 1:8-11

“Broken Hope, Bold Faith”

Rev. Dr. Kelle Brown

Homecoming Celebration

after Service on the Patio

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.

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 UCC.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Save the Date! All Church Retreat, October 21-23, Pilgrim Firs Camp and Conference Center, Port Orchard, WA.

Connect with Congregational Council If you have questions, concerns, hopes and dreams for Plymouth, join representatives from Plymouth Congregational Council for open discussions online via Zoom 7-8pm the second Wednesday of each month. Email Diane, DJacobsen@PlymouthChurchSeattle.org by 5pm the day of the meeting for the Zoom link.

Please Return Library Books There is a box at the entrance to the Sanctuary where you can deposit your library materials. If you are not planning to worship in person, please mail your items to Plymouth Church, 1217 6th Ave, Seattle WA 98101.

Stand with the Duwamish The Duwamish are the First People of present-day Seattle, and are the original stewards of this land. Yet the U.S. Government has continually failed to give the Duwamish People their rightful recognition. This is an injustice that has persisted far too long. Take action today and sign the petition to grant Federal tribal recognition. Visit RedRoadInstitute.org/Duwamish/ to sign petition.

The Plymouth *Herald* is published every week. **Deadline is Monday, 10 am, for Wednesday publication.** Stay current with Plymouth happenings on our website. Join us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram! [!\[\]\(19d44b37fb4fa155bf9d60c77a3d3cb2_img.jpg\)](#) [!\[\]\(32b0d4c179ff868011656ab6c9e92913_img.jpg\)](#) [!\[\]\(0af066940f31e2a4f15c10824101a8fe_img.jpg\)](#)



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Return Service Requested

OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH...

Afghan Family (Supported by Plymouth), Toni Arthur, Bob Brennan (Brother of Diane Nelson), Charlie Coulter (Brother of Nancy Geller), Sue Ellen Daniel (Friend of Barb Laski), John Daniels, Mark and JT Edwards, Carmen Ramsey Ellington (Friend of Karen Clark), Susan Emerson (Mother of Kate Forrester), **Jim Halfaker**, Darline Jones (Aunt of Karen Clark), Michael Kaid, Concetta Lewis (Sister of Jo-Ann Guthrie), Connie Logothetis (Friend of Bill and Marilyn Bumpas), Barbara Miller (Friend of Barb Laski), **Drake Mitchell** (Brother of Mari), Montecino Family, **Nancy Parker**, Jerome Robinson (Friend of Kathy Rood), Jose Robles and Family, Thomas Smith (Brother of Twanda Hill), Charon Washington (Sister of Michael Gordon), **Sharon Ahlquist** (Sister of Vicki Schoettle)

We grieve with Ann Frothingham and family on the passing of her husband Don.

Our hearts are with Kate Forrester on the one-year anniversary of the passing of her sister-in-law, Pat Forrester.

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



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PLYMOUTH CHURCH HERALD

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SEE YOU THIS SUNDAY



Plymouth Church Seattle invites you to worship in the Sanctuary, virtual and in person, on **September 11, 2022** as we begin our church calendar year. With the theme “Broken Hope, Bold Faith,” we move forward together to see what the Spirit has in store. All are welcome! ✨

FAITH FORMATION: A NEW INTERGENERATIONAL APPROACH

We will have monthly gatherings after worship for the whole community to engage together. We welcome people of all ages for homecoming Sunday, September 11! We will have a photo booth, as well as appetizers and live music out on the patio for coffee hour. Please join us in what will be a festive and celebratory time together. Read more about faith formation this church year in the August 24 issue of the *Herald* or online at PlymouthChurchSeattle.org. ✨



Join our first gathering September 11.

ENJOY A NIGHT OF HOPE

Plymouth Healing Communities will hold its fourth annual *Night of Hope* event at Plymouth, 5:30 pm Thursday, September 15. PHC still needs volunteers for the event, particularly on the night of the event. If you would like to help or would like more information about volunteer needs, please email your contact information to Events@Plyhc.org and we will follow up. Thanks! ✨

CELEBRATE HISPANIC HERITAGE

Every year from September 15 to October 15, Americans celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month by appreciating the community's history, heritage, and contributions of the ancestors of American citizens who came from Mexico, Spain, the Caribbean, and South and Central America.

This year, Seattle Center Festál presents *Sea Mar Fiestas Patrias* in partnership with Sea Mar Community Health Centers.

The festival will take place in-person September 17, 1-7 pm & September 18, 1-6 pm in the Armory Food & Event Hall and Fisher Pavilion. It is free and open to the public.

Sea Mar Fiestas Patrias commemorates the independence of Latin American countries, many of which celebrate their national independence day in the month of September. It is a festival to celebrate history, while taking pride in the new generations of Latinos who now call the United States home. Throughout the two-day event at Seattle Center, attendees can enjoy delicious traditional Latin American food and cooking demonstrations, live music, traditional folk dance performances, art exhibitions representing Latino culture, free health screenings, children's activities and more.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Spanish is the second most spoken language (by native speakers) in the world.
- The United States has the second largest Spanish-speaking population in the world after Mexico.
- Latinos represent the largest minority in Washington state with more than 11% of the total population.

The festival is an important celebration for Sea Mar, founded by Latino community leaders in 1978. Sea Mar understands the barriers Latinos and other immigrants face when navigating the healthcare system, pursuing higher education, or simply trying to make a living. Sea Mar goes beyond primary care and has established additional programs, services, and events like *Sea Mar Fiestas Patrias* to celebrate Latino cultural traditions. ✨



At Seattle Center September 17 & 18.

TAKE 5 TO SAVE LIVES



Suicide doesn't have one cause. We can all learn more about what causes suicide and how to prevent it. To this end, The National Council for Suicide Prevention (NCSP) has launched the Take 5 to Save Lives campaign. Take 5 encourages everyone to

complete several action steps under 5 important themes: LEARN, KNOW, DO, TALK, and SHARE. The campaign broadens recognition of these important suicide prevention activities and includes public awareness events including World Suicide Prevention Day, National Suicide Prevention Month, and National Suicide Prevention Week.

- **LEARN** Learning the warning signs, risk factors, and protective factors of suicide will better prepare you to take action and could help save a life.
- **KNOW** By knowing exactly what to say and do, you'll be ready to act and keep yourself, your friends, and your family safe.
- **DO** Preventing suicide requires action. Everyone can do something to get involved in the suicide prevention movement.
- **TALK** Talking about suicide safely and responsibly can reduce negative stigma and lead to increased help-seeking.
- **SHARE** Help spread the word about one of the most important public health issues of our time.

Suicidal thoughts can plague anyone regardless of age, gender, or social status. Commonly linked to depression, there is no foolproof indicator of suicidal tendencies. Many people suffering from depression or suicidal thoughts cover them up quite well.

Every year on National Suicide Prevention Month in September, mental health advocates, survivors, friends and family, and mental health organizations across the country and around the world share their experiences and work towards eradicating this most tragic act. Learn more at 988Lifeline.org

The National Council for Suicide Prevention is a coalition of seven national organizations working to prevent suicide. During the last year, these organizations have directly impacted the lives of over 2 million people and generated over 100 million media impressions.

If you or someone you know is in a mental health crisis, dial 988 for The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, or 911 if in immediate danger. ✨

ANTI-RACIST GIVING

Social Justice Fund, the Coalition of Anti-Racist Whites (CARW), and Plymouth Church UCC will lead a two-part workshop to address questions like:

- 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?

Through learning and discussion, you'll gain the tools to begin building your personal social justice giving plan.

- Part 1: September 12 from 5:30-7:30 pm
- Part 2: September 19 from 5:30-7:30 pm
- Location: Zoom (link will be shared with registered participants in advance of the event)

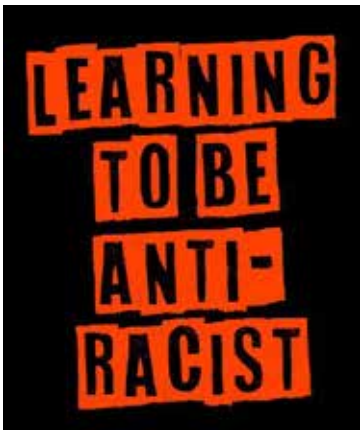
Open to all, this workshop is specifically for folks who benefit from the history of white wealth accumulation. Registration fee on a sliding scale of \$5-\$50. **Registration is now open. Find link to register in news article at PlymouthChurchSeattle.org.** ✨

BRING SCHOOL SUPPLIES SUNDAY



The Community and Care Board will collect donations of school supplies on Homecoming Sunday, September 11. The following list is a recommendation of the most-needed supplies. Please bring what you can: all donations are appreciated and will be put to good use. Thank you. ✨

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| • Lunch box | • Spiral notebook (single or multiple w/dividers) |
| • Lined composition notebook | • Backpack (no wheels) |
| • Graph paper | • Water bottle |
| • Blue or black pens | • Fine tip markers (8-10 ct) |
| • #2 pencils | • Thick markers (8-10 count) |
| • Pencil pouch | • Colored pencils (12 pack) |
| • Metric/standard ruler | • Scotch tape |
| • Small pencil sharpener w/shavings holder | • Dry erase markers (4 pack) |
| • Eraser | |
| • Tape | |
| • Box of crayons | |
| • Glue stick | |



“CONTINUE:” CONFERENCE WOMEN’S WEEKEND

In a time when everything is in flux, how do we continue? Using inspiration from Maya Angelou's poem *Continue*, we will consider ways each of us would like to continue to be who we are and how we are.

Consider joining us for a joy-filled, nourishing women's weekend of music, creativity, sabbath and spiritual exploration at Pilgrim Firs, **October 7-9**. This weekend is designed to encourage women to take a break from their normal routine and perhaps try something new. During full group gatherings, small group discussions, and mini-workshops, you will have an opportunity to consider how you would like to Continue.

Opportunities include movement, art, spiritual exploration, time to nap, hike, read, visit, and enjoy the quiet beauty and radical hospitality of Pilgrim Firs. What a great opportunity to give yourself the gift of time and renewal. Our program will begin at 5 pm Friday and be completed by 10 am Sunday. *This retreat is designed for all who identify as women.*

Led by Marcia McLaughlin, Beth Seacord and Kaila Russell. Email Kaila (Russell.Kaila@gmail.com) with questions. ✨



At Pilgrim Firs October 7-9.

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURE



The Seattle Office of Arts & Culture (ARTS) announces the 50th Anniversary Celebration for the Langston Hughes Performing Arts Institute (LHPAI) will be held 1-5 pm, Saturday, September 10 (104 17th Ave S, Seattle 98144). Please join us as we celebrate the community members and

artists that have sustained LHPAI over the past 50 years. For 50 years, and throughout multiple iterations and re-imaginings LHPAI has played a central role in the artistic, cultural, and social life of Seattle's Central District. LHPAI has always been an engaged neighbor and cultural partner welcoming Central District community members and organizations as well as those operating throughout the city of Seattle. Come with friends and family to enjoy an afternoon of exceptional music and art. Visit ArtBeat.Seattle.gov for list of activities and performers. ✨

THE TIME IS NOW

For broader context, please see article published in the June 22 issue of the Herald: “UCC Urges Action on Reparations Commission.”

The United Church of Christ and the Why We Can't Wait Coalition are among those pressing for enactment of H.R. 40, the “Commission to Study and Develop Reparation Proposals for African Americans Act” – either by act of Congress or by executive order. After meetings of faith and secular organizations with the White House, educational webinars and advocacy on H.R. 40, the Coalition sent a follow-up letter to President Biden urging such an executive order. It was not acknowledged.

Unfortunately, at the same time, an informal smoke-and-mirrors campaign to slow and divide the Reparatory Justice Movement continues to grow in the United States. It is rooted in American exceptionalism, miseducation and divisiveness. Congresspersons have sought and passed in the House of Representatives a “symbolic” measure to designate Aug. 20 as a national day to remember slavery and its abolition – despite the fact that an international day for that purpose has existed for more than 20 years.

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It is time to clearly connect the reparations movement in the U.S. with the global reparations movement for people of African descent. It is essential to hold

the collective narratives and experiences of African-descendant people together globally. Anything less is a distraction that fails to recognize our involvement in the transatlantic slave trade and gives a veneer of movement to repair.

In addition, it gives fuel to the divisive American Descendants of Slavery and Freedman campaigns that have promoted strict lineage-based reparations. These campaigns do not recognize that the repair sought by African Americans is for slavery and racist systems and institutions. The latter continue to result in disparate outcomes for Blacks globally, related to the racial wealth gap, maternal health, lending, education and educational debt, farming and ecological devastation, among other things. All those descendants are here and have suffered the effects of Jim Crow and predatory lending. All share in the same despair of having \$23,000 in wealth compared to \$184,000 in wealth for non-Hispanic White families. (Read more at UCC.org)

—The Rev. Sekinah Hamlin, minister for economic justice with UCC's Justice and Local Church Ministries ✨

