

SUNDAY AT PLYMOUTH

Worship In Person or Live Online

**DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS NOVEMBER 6:
SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR!**

10:30 am Sunday, November 6, 2022

All Saints/All Souls Sunday

Matthew 27:50-56

Rev. Dr. Kelle Brown

ALL ABOARD!

Horizon House residents can ride the charter bus to Plymouth the first Sunday of every month. The bus will pick you up at Horizon House and bring you to Plymouth in time for the 10:30 am service and return you to Horizon House afterward. Contact Faith Community Nurse June Hayakawa-Fung, JHayakawaFung@PlymouthChurchSeattle.org with questions.

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.



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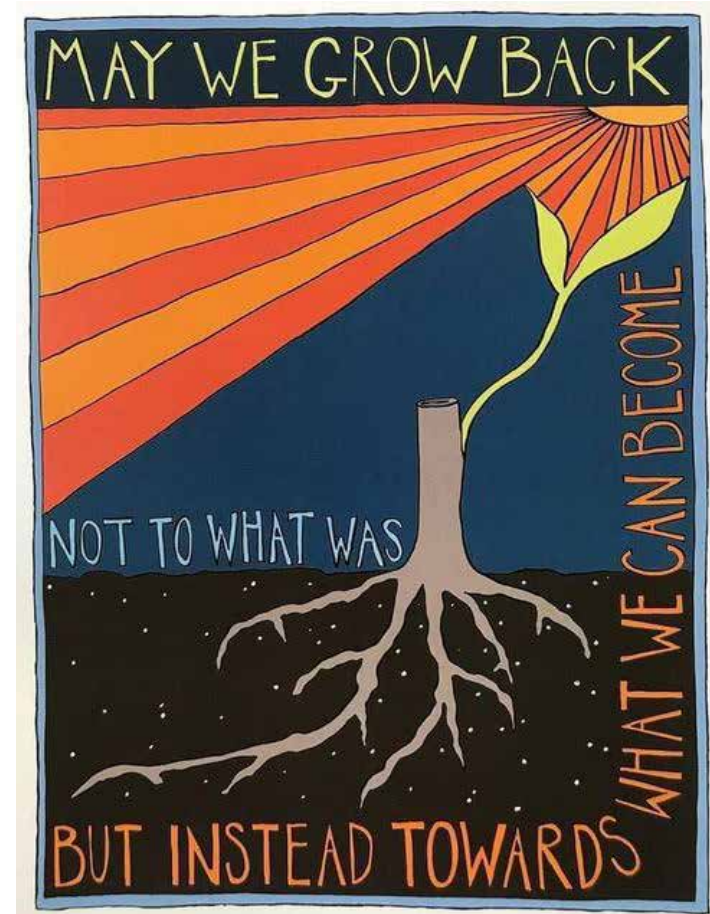
OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH...

Afghan Family (Supported by Plymouth), Toni and Tiffany Arthur, 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), Concetta Lewis (Sister of Jo-Ann Guthrie), Connie Logothetis (Friend of Bill and Marilyn Bumpas), Dawn Mason, Barbara Miller (Friend of Barb Laski), Montecino Family, Nancy Parker, Jerome Robinson (Friend of Kathy Rood), Jose Robles and Family, Charon Washington (Sister of Michael Gordon)

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



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LEANING IN



Rev. Dr. Kelle Brown

Plymouth, we are re-membering our stewardship efforts for the remainder of 2022 into 2023!

In the coming days, we will be “*Leaning In*” as an invitation for those in covenant with Plymouth to give on a regular basis. Rather than “pledging,” we are vowing financial commitment as a part of the covenant that the congregation made on Homecoming Sunday. This

means you will turn in your covenant card with the amount you will give regularly. It also means that you will see your gifts at work in our church, community and the world.

You are invited to share your financial gifts as well as your participation and volunteer hours as we work together to empower Plymouth Church and our needed ministry in the world.

Covenant cards will be mailed soon and will read:

“As a measure of my covenant to Plymouth Church, I vow to share \$_____ every _____ (week/month/year). I will attend worship regularly and volunteer in the ministries of Plymouth Church, as best I am able, with my time, gifts, and energy.”

Please return your card by mail or in person on Sunday, November 13.

Friends, a covenant does not rely on numbers. However, it is generated and sustained by commitment toward our common goal to be a radically inclusive, Progressive Christian church in the world.

Thanks to the many who have continued your faithfulness through many days of pandemic and chaos in the world. Furthermore, thank you to those who will give with greater vigor as we take on the many challenges of being church together. Your giving, your loving, your praying for our leaders, and listening for the Spirit together will make all the difference in who we shall be together. I pray that our congregation will respond with faithful excitement!

—Rev. Dr. Kelle J. Brown ✨

DIA DE MUERTOS CONCERT AT PLYMOUTH NOVEMBER 6

**Orquesta Northwest
Presents**

*Dia de Muertos Concert
at Plymouth UCC*

3 pm Sunday,
November 6

Performances by
Ballard Civic Orchestra and

Singing in the Rain
Family Choir
featuring soloists

Celeste Camarena and
Sari Breznau
Free Admission



INVITATION TO VOYAGE



Kenneth Gayle at Plymouth Nov. 13

Join Seattle native and operatic tenor, Kenneth Gayle, for an artful musical voyage of songs, arias, Spirituals, quotes, and poetry inspired by themes of waves, water, and journeys. 2 pm Sunday, November 13 at Plymouth. Suggested Donation \$20.

This program prominently features 20th and 21st century art songs by living American

and African-American composers, and settings of poetry by Langston Hughes and Lucille Clifton. Tenor Kenneth Gayle and collaborative pianist, Joseph Williams, weave a salon-style musical journey through centuries, languages and cultures, exploring timeless artistic inspirations from the past, and new 21st century perspectives.

All funds collected will go to the Washington State Chapter of the *Poor People's Campaign: A National Call for Moral Revival*. The Campaign is uniting tens of thousands of people across the country to challenge the evils of systemic racism, poverty, the war economy, ecological devastation and the nation's distorted morality. Visit WashingtonPPC.org to learn more and get involved. ✨



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CHANGE IS INEVITABLE



Dr. Wanda R. Griffiths

Change is inevitable. If we did not realize it before, we certainly do now after living through the last two and one-half years of a pandemic. And no matter what the change is, it is never easy. I am writing to let you know that my time at Plymouth is at an end.

The church needs to bring its staffing costs in line with its budgetary needs, so some hard decisions must be made. A few weeks ago I had a conversation with Plymouth leadership where they proposed moving me to a half-time position as they could no longer financially sustain me in a full-time role. I was given some time to think about this to determine whether this worked for me. After much reflection I have realized that it does not work for me, and so I will be concluding my time as Director of Music and Organist at the end of December.

My eleven-year journey here has provided me with many blessings, and while I am sad to say goodbye, I know Plymouth will continue to do its best to work for justice and to spread God’s important message of inclusive love in the coming months and years. —Dr. Wanda R. Griffiths ✦

2023 CALENDARS FOR INMATES

Visitations have started up again for Monroe Correction Complex inmates and we are excited to reconnect with our friends there. The inmates really appreciate a calendar for the coming year and last year we collected over 1000! As you receive free calendars in the mail, please donate them if you can’t use. Ask your neighbors to see if they might wish to donate theirs.

There will be a box in the Plymouth Lounge to leave calendars on Sundays. We will collect into December. If you live at Horizon House, please put them in Sue Jones’ cubby hole in the mailroom (#1S).

If you are unable to make it to Plymouth, we will do our best to collect them. Call or email Christine Hanson 509-679-7430, to arrange a pick up. Thank you in advance for this simple act which brings so much joy to our incarcerated friends.

—Christine Hanson and Mike Pierson ✦



A small act of giving that brings great joy.

CELEBRATING NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

November is Native American Heritage Month. It is a time to celebrate the traditions, languages, and stories of Native American, Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian, and Island communities and ensure their rich histories and contributions continue to thrive with each passing generation. It is also a time to evaluate our pledge to maintain the meaningful partnerships we have with Tribal Nations and renew our commitment to our nation-to-nation relationships as we seek to ensure every community has a future they deserve.

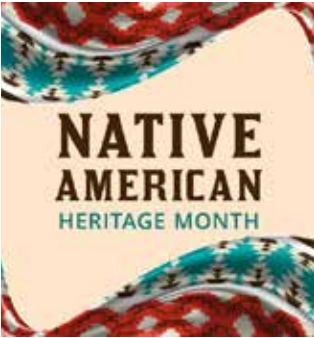
We acknowledge that we live and work on the unceded, traditional territories of the Coast Salish peoples, whose ancestors have lived here and cared for these lands and waters since time immemorial. This acknowledgement does not take the place of authentic relationships with Indigenous communities, but serves as a first step in honoring the land we are on. These communities are still here, and many indigenous people are strong and thriving. We honor the people past and present who belong to this place.

Native Americans and Alaska Natives are people having origins in any of the original peoples of North, South and Central America, and who maintain tribal affiliation or community attachment. This month is a time to celebrate diverse cultures, traditions, and histories and to acknowledge the important contributions of Native people. Heritage Month is also a time to learn about tribes, to raise a general awareness about the unique challenges Native people have faced both historically and in the present, and the ways in which tribal citizens have worked to conquer these challenges.

We encourage you to learn more about the traditions and contributions of Native Americans and Alaskan Natives in education, art, literature, government, sports, science and technology past and present. ✦

LET’S HEAR FROM YOU

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. Next opportunity is November 9. Email Diane, DJacobsen@PlymouthChurchSeattle.org by 5pm the day of the meeting for the Zoom link. ✦



UNDOING INSTITUTIONAL RACISM

The Undoing Institutionalized Racism workshop is offered by The People’s Institute for Survival and Beyond (PISAB), a national multiracial, antiracist collective of veteran organizers and educators dedicated to building an effective movement for social change. The UIR workshop is designed to educate, challenge and empower people to “undo” the racist structures that hinder effective social change. The training is based on the premise that racism has been systematically erected and that it can be “undone” if people understand where it comes from, how it functions and why it is perpetuated.

The workshop addresses the following areas:

- Analyzing Power
- Defining Racism
- Understanding the Manifestations of Racism
- Learning from History
- Sharing Culture

Workshops are held online over 3 days, 10 am-4 pm. Cost is \$350 per person. Registration and full schedule of workshop dates at PINWSeattle.org. ✦



CARE TEAM IS HERE FOR YOU



Let us know how we can help.

Your Plymouth Care Team is committed to responding to all care concerns that come our way. Please use the Plymouth Care Line phone number to get in touch with the Care Team should anything arise: 206.639.7739. Messages are checked at least once a day and the Care Team makes every attempt to follow up as

soon as we are able. Please call and leave a message if there is something you need help with, or feel we should be aware of. The Plymouth Care Line is for non-emergency issues. For acute mental health crisis, call 988 or text “Home” to the Crisis Care Line at 741741. Members of the Care Team are:

- **Rev. Dr. Kelle Brown** (KBrown@PlymouthChurchSeattle.org)
- **Rev. Donene Blair** (DBlair@PlymouthChurchSeattle.org)
- **Faith Community Nurse June Hayakawa-Fung** (JHayakawaFung@PlymouthChurchSeattle.org)
- **Rev. Kevin Bechtold** (KBechtold@PlymouthChurchSeattle.org). ✦

OUR FAITH, OUR VOTE

The United Church of Christ is calling on churches to get out the vote with its Our Faith Our Vote Campaign for the 2022 midterm elections. It’s not just seats in Congress or city councils that are at stake, according to UCC leaders. Voting rights, access to polls and concerns about democracy itself are being highlighted.



We are in the midst of ongoing climate and environmental justice crises. And with the moral weight of millions, it is incumbent on every person to take action. Around the world, countless activists, academics, religious leaders, and ordinary

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people are fighting to help ensure a livable and just world. We need to elect climate justice leaders. On election day, we have the chance to decide whether those in

power will kick the can down the road or lead the way for climate justice. As people of faith, we must vote our values.

“In this critical 2022 election season, many key policy challenges loom on the horizon for the U.S. and the world,” said Sandy Sorensen, director of the UCC’s Office of Public Policy & Advocacy in Washington, D.C. “In addition to a wave of state measures to restrict voting access and participation, disinformation about the outcome of the 2020 elections has led to threats of violence against poll workers and election officials, and threats to intimidate voters seeking to register and cast their ballot.”

If you haven’t yet voted, make sure you drop your ballot in a drop box or mail it in by November 8. ✦

REV. DR. KELLE BROWN REPRESENTS PLYMOUTH



Governor Jay Inslee recently announced bills being written to ensure that reproductive rights are protected in Washington State. Rev. Dr. Kelle Brown was among the faith leaders present at the press conference held at Wayside UCC on Friday, October 28. ✦