

# Shepherd of the Hill Presbyterian Church USA

November 23, 2025 – 10:00 a.m.

*\* Please stand in body or in spirit.*

**Bold print indicates congregational response.**

We acknowledge that our church is on the traditional homelands of the Puyallup Tribe. The Puyallup people have lived on and stewarded these lands since the beginning of time, and continue to do so today. We recognize that this land acknowledgment is one small step toward true allyship and we commit to uplifting the voices, experiences, and histories of the Indigenous people of this land and beyond.

## Prelude

## Welcome

*Rev. John Asher*

## **\* Call to Worship**

*Audrey Wadsworth*

We come to offer thanksgiving together  
**as one worshipping community.**

We are celebrating God's presence  
**where all are welcomed exactly as they are.**

We come to praise God's holy name  
**together in God's house!**

## **\* Song**

"Praise"

(see screen)

## Sharing Our Burdens Prayer

**God, you give us diverse gifts, but sometimes we can't find them. Or sometimes we fail to use them. People in our world misuse and manipulate your blessings for greedy or power-hungry purposes. Forgive us, merciful God, and remind us that all we have and all we are belong to you. Teach us how to use what you give us to create communities of love, joy, and hope. In Christ's name, amen.**

## *We Welcome All*

We want to care for, appropriately and effectively, anyone who wants Shepherd to be their spiritual home. This Spirit-led desire feels even more poignant when we consider those who have been disenfranchised, including those in the LGBTQIA+ community, those born in other places or of a different skin color, those experiencing economic hardship, and others.

To be inclusive means to accept all people as loved by God. We recognize that all who receive Christ belong in the community of faith. We also recognize and honor the rich complexity and diversity of people God calls to our faith community, including people who disagree with this statement. Though not all may agree, we find our unity in Christ who loves each of us and all of us together.

We welcome all people into all parts of the church's life and ministry, including ordained ministry as a Ruling Elder, Teaching Elder, or Deacon. We seek to appreciate the vital worth of each human being, and will intentionally work to provide welcome and inclusion of all people in the life of our congregation.

We live stream each service. By your presence, you agree the church may publish, transmit, or telecast images that may be taken of you for use in communications related to the church. If you prefer to not sit in a visible area, we recommend the section on the right side of the sanctuary when entering. Please reach out to the office with any questions.

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email announcements.

You have many gifts, given uniquely to you. You are free to use them for your own joy, for the good of others, and for the glory of God. And for every time you've held them back, know the Creator forgives you and reminds you: You always belong to God.  
**Alleluia! Amen!**

Special Music

*Shepherd Choir & Youth*

"This is My Father's World/He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"  
(Joel Raney)

Blessing Younger Congregants

People: **"The Lord be with you!"**

Kids: **"And also with you!"**

Sermon

"Abundance Reveals"

*Rev. John Asher*

Scripture

Acts 5:1-11

Song

"Lead Me to the Cross"

(see screen)

Prayers of the People

Lord this is our prayer/praise.

**Lord hear our prayer/praise.**

Song of Affirmation

"More Than Able"

(see screen)

Community Life

\* Hymn # 369

"I'm Going to Live So God Can Use Me"

(see screen)

\* Benediction

*Rev. John Asher*