

Shepherd of the Hill Presbyterian Church USA

August 23, 2026 - 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

Pastor John

Susan Boyles

*** Call to Worship**

Come, and praise God!
In the company of the God's people,
let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
**Great are the works of God,
full of glory and majesty.**
Our God is gracious and compassionate;
our God is merciful and forgiving
our God is faithful and trustworthy,
our God is just and good.
So come, let's worship God together.
God's praise will last forever!

*** Hymn # 482**

"Praise Ye the Lord"

(see screen)

Sharing Our Burdens Prayer

God of steadfast love, we bless your holy name. You forgive, heal, redeem, and surround us with mercy.

Yet we confess that we hide what hurts, struggle to trust when we are afraid,
and forget your goodness when life is hard. Teach us to bring our whole lives before
you: our praise and pain, our gratitude and grief, our confidence and questions.
Receive our burdens, hold us in your mercy, and teach us to trust in your steadfast
love. In Christ's name we pray.

Amen.

Friends, hear the good news: God is compassionate and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, renewed, and set free.

Thanks be to God!

Alleluia! Amen.

Song

"Holy Forever"

(see screen)

Children's Blessing

People: "The Lord be with you!"

Kids: "And also with you!"

Sermon

"Praying Psalms of Praise"

Rev. John Asher

Scripture

Psalms 103 NIV

Song

"Oh Praise the Name"

(see screen)

Stephen Minister Commissioning

Pastor John

Hymn #106

"Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"

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Offering:

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

Community Life

Pastor John

* Song

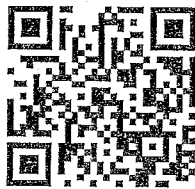
"House of the Lord"

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* Benediction

Pastor John

* Postlude



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Burden's Prayer: Written by Pastor John with assistance from artificial intelligence

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