

# Shepherd of the Hill Presbyterian Church (USA)

~ Service for the Lord's Day ~  
August 1, 2021 – 10:00 a.m.

## The Prelude to Worship

*Sheri Martin*

*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.*

## Greeting and Announcements

*Rev. John Asher*

## Call to Worship

*Kevin Engle*

We look to the rulers of this earth for leadership, wisdom, and strength.  
We look to these bodies of ours for stability, fulfillment, and joy.  
We look to families and friends for love, compassion, and hope.  
When rulers betray, when bodies fail, and when families disappoint,  
God offers another look. God will guide us. God's Spirit will sustain us.  
Christ will welcome us home. Come, my sisters and brothers,  
we are all God's family now.

## Song

"In Christ Alone"

*(see insert)*

## Prayer of Confession

*Kevin Engle*

Gracious God, we find ourselves in circumstances we have not chosen, and we scurry to find any sense of normalcy. We know that You are the Rock, yet we lean on other foundations; We know that You are sovereign, but we seek security in our own control; We know that You give comfort, but we elevate comforts of our own design; We know that You satisfy, but we keep scrolling; We know that You set us free, but addictions grip us tightly; We know that You call us to rest, but we keep struggling. By grace, forgive us. In mercy, meet us. By Your Holy Spirit, equip us to walk in the newness of life-with-Christ, In Jesus' Name, Amen.

## Assurance of Forgiveness

Hear the Good News: Our security has been provided through the grace of Jesus Christ. He carried the eternal consequences of our brokenness. Therefore we can rejoice, for our hope is alive in our hearts today. Let's live in confidence that comes from the love of our Creator. Hallelujah!

## Song of Invocation

**"Who You Say I Am"**

**Who am I that the highest King, would welcome me  
I was lost but He brought me in  
Oh His love for me, Oh His love for me  
Who the Son sets free, Oh is free indeed  
I'm a child of God, Yes I am**

**Free at last, He has ransomed me  
His grace runs deep, while I was a slave to sin  
Jesus died for me, Yes He died for me  
Who the Son sets free, Oh is free indeed  
I'm a child of God, Yes I am  
In my Father's house, There's a place for me  
I'm a child of God, Yes I am**

**I am chosen not forsaken, I am who You say I am  
You are for me not against me, I am who You say I am**

## Children's Message

*Rev. John Asher*

*For privacy, we do not show the video of the children on our live stream.*

*The audio is broadcast.*

## Scripture

2 Corinthians 3:1-6 & 12-18

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## Sermon

"The Gospel According to Broadway"

*Rev. John Asher*

Song

"Nobody"

Why You ever chose me Has always been a mystery  
All my life I've been told I belong, at the end of the line  
With all the other Not-Quites, With all the Never-Get-It-Rights  
But it turns out they're the ones, You were looking for all this time

*CHORUS:* I'm just a nobody, tryin' to tell everybody  
Well all about Somebody who saved my soul  
Ever since You rescued me, you gave my heart a song to sing  
I'm living for the world to see nobody but Jesus  
I'm living for the world to see nobody but Jesus

Well Moses had stage fright, and David brought a rock to a sword fight  
You picked twelve outsiders nobody would've chosen, and You changed the world  
Well the moral of the story is everybody's got a purpose  
So when I hear that devil start talking to me saying, who do you think you are  
I say . . .

*(CHORUS)*

So let me go down, down, down in history,  
As another blood-bought faithful member of the family,  
and if they all forget my name, well that's fine with me  
I'm living for the world to see nobody but Jesus  
I'm living for the world to see nobody but Jesus

Communion of the People

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic\* Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*(\*meaning the universal Christian church—all believers in Jesus Christ)*

Song

“There’s a Spirit in the Air”

*(see insert)*

Benediction

*Rev. John Asher*

Postlude

*Sheri Martin*

*Greet someone you don't know following worship this morning!*

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Those who are unvaccinated are required to wear a mask. Masks are optional for those who are vaccinated. Proof of vaccination is not required. There will be no social distancing required. Some vaccinated people continue to wear a mask for a variety of personal reasons.

Therefore, we ask that you don't inquire or assume why people wear a mask.

Bathrooms are available as needed, but please do not access other areas of the church.

**INDOOR WORSHIP BEGINS SUNDAY, AUGUST 8<sup>TH</sup>!** All attendees are required to wear a mask, regardless of vaccination status. Vaccinated worship leaders may remove masks while leading the congregation. Bring your own food and drink, but only remove mask when actively consuming. For families, we will not be offering nursery care, so please have your children join us in worship.

**WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB** This month's meeting will be held at the home of Anne Bennett: 1914 20th St SE, Puyallup on the back deck at **7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 17<sup>th</sup>**. Sandy Cannon is the host and discussion leader. The book is The Tattooist from Auschwitz by Heather Morris. Anne still has several books in the kit and would be happy to arrange a pickup if you'd like one.

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