

Shepherd of the Hill Presbyterian Church (USA)

~ Third Sunday of Lent ~
March 20, 2022 – 10:00 a.m.
Masks are currently required for all.

** Please stand in body or in spirit.*

Bold type indicates congregational participation.

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.

The Prelude to Worship

Sheri Martin

Greetings

Rev. John Asher

* Call to Worship

Our lives feel all disjointed as though they were a valley of dry bones.
But the Spirit of God will bring connection and continuity to our lives.
The Spirit of God breathes hope into each one of us.
The Spirit of God challenges us to be people of faith.
Open our hearts, Lord, and bring us to your light.
Open our lives, Lord, and break us free from doubt and fear.

* Songs

“Breathe”
This is the air I breathe
This is the air I breathe
Your holy presence living in me
This is my daily bread
This is my daily bread
Your very word spoken to me
And I I'm desperate for You
And I I'm lost without You

"Cares Chorus"
I cast all my cares upon You
I lay all of my burdens
Down at Your feet
And anytime that I don't know
What to do
I will cast all my cares upon You

Letting Go of Our Burdens

God, we confess that we often miss your grace. Our minds fester in the places of anxiety and sadness in our lives. We forget that your love can overflow even in our grief. When our emotions are overloaded by circumstance and loss, give us an awareness of your overflowing grace in our lives. The grace that meets us, heals us, and reminds us to love others as we have been loved. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Song

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"
Precious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, help me stand;
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
Through the storm, through the night
Lead me on to the light;
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear, Precious Lord, linger near;
When my life is almost gone, Hear my cry, hear my call,
Hold my hand lest I fall;
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When the darkness appears, and the night draws near;
And the day is past and gone, At the river I stand
Guide my feet, hold my hand
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home.

Children's Message

Rev. John Asher

For privacy, we limit the video of the children on our live stream. The audio is broadcast.

Children through 6th grade may be excused to Sunday School in the CE Area,
or remain in worship with their parents.

Sermon & Scripture

Rev. John Asher

Special Music

"God With Us"

Craig Snider

Time for Reflection

Pastoral Prayer

The Apostle's 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

"The Blessing"

**The Lord bless you and keep you
Make his face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn his face toward you
And give you peace
*(repeat)***

**Amen, Amen, Amen
*(repeat)***

(Continued...)

**The Lord bless you and keep you
Make his face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn his face toward you
And give you peace**

**Amen, Amen, Amen
*(repeat)***

**May his favor, be upon you
And a thousand generations
And your family, and your children
And their children, and their children
*(repeat)***

**May his presence
Go before you, and behind you
And beside you, all around you
And within you
He is with you, He is with you
In the morning, in the evening
In your coming, and your going
In your weeping, and rejoicing
He is for you, He is for you**

* Benediction

* Postlude

Sheri Martin

Please stay in the sanctuary if you would like a time of special prayer.

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