

Shepherd of the Hill Presbyterian Church USA

~ Service for the Lord's Day ~

March 3, 2024 – 10:00 a.m.

** Please stand in body or in spirit.*

Bold print indicates congregational response.

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.

Welcome

Rev. John Asher

* Call to Worship

Dakota Franklin

If you ask the sky who God is,

the sky will tell you of God's reach.

If you ask the day who God is,

the sun will tell you of God's warmth.

If you ask the night who God is,

the moon will tell you of God's comfort.

"The heavens are telling the glory of God". Are you listening?

We are listening!

We will sing of God's glory.

Let us worship Holy God.

* Song

"Forever"

**Give thanks to the Lord, our God and King
His love endures forever
For He is good, He is above all things
His love endures forever,
Sing praise, sing praise**

**With a mighty hand, and an outstretched arm
His love endures forever
For the life that's been reborn
His love endures forever
Sing praise, sing praise
Sing praise, sing praise**

CHORUS:

**Forever God is faithful, forever God is strong
Forever God is with us, forever, forever**

**From the rising to the setting sun
His love endures forever
And by the grace of God
We will carry on
His love endures forever
Sing praise, sing praise
Sing praise, sing praise
CHORUS x 2**

Sharing Our Burdens Prayer

Dakota Franklin

**God, some days we are quick to declare your goodness. Other days we are distracted and uncertain. Forgive us for losing sight of you. Some days we trust we are called to make a difference. Other days our doubt holds us back. Forgive us for losing sight of ourselves. Fear and doubt are part of the journey of faith. And so we are grateful for your grace. Pull us closer toward you. Remind us of your love.
In your Son's name we pray, Amen.**

Hymn # 376

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

Children’s Message

Ken Emly

Children are welcome to remain in the service or follow the leaders to Sunday School.

Scripture

Matthew 16: 13-20

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Praise the Mount”

Rev. John Asher

Hymn # 341

“Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!”

Communion

As we celebrate communion, you are invited to come forward and to partake in the elements as you receive them. We seek to be inclusive in providing the sacrament. Therefore, we are offering communion with these options:

Gluten-free crackers are in the glass bowls on the trays and available with any server.

For those who prefer to stay seated, please raise your hand and we will bring the elements to you. After the sanctuary is served, one set of servers will be departing to serve those in the nursery and Sunday School.

Special Music

“Goodness of God”

Praise Team

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Community Life

* Song

“One Thing Remains”

**Higher than the mountains that I face
Stronger than the power of the grave
Constant in the trial and the change**

One thing remains

One thing remains

(Continued . . .)

CHORUS:
Your love never fails, It never gives up
Never runs out on me
(REPEAT x 2)
Your love

On and on and on and on it goes
It overwhelms and satisfies my soul
And I never ever have to be afraid
One thing remains
CHORUS

In death, in life, I'm confident and
Covered by the power of Your great love
My debt, is paid, there's nothing that
Can separate my heart from Your great love
CHORUS

On and on and on and on it goes
It overwhelms and satisfies my soul
And I never ever have to be afraid
One thing remains
CHORUS

* Benediction

* Postlude

Sheri Martin

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