

Shepherd of the Hill Presbyterian Church USA

February 15, 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

Sheri Martin

Welcome

Rev. John Asher

*** Call to Worship**

Janice Duvall

In the morning, as the clouds gather and break,

We open our eyes and stretch our arms to a new day.

As we gather, and the papers rustle and the pews creak, and old friends whisper together,

We become the beloved community again.

In our words and songs and silence and prayers,

We open ourselves to wonder, and gratitude, and praise.

*** Song**

"God of Wonders"

(see screen)

Sharing Our Burdens Prayer

God, you have promised to be our help, but we turn our eyes to lifeless idols, looking for help from other arenas. We fail to trust in your unfailing love and your ever-present help. Turn us back to you and give us the confidence to look to you for our salvation. Guard us, keep us, and protect us, dear Lord, in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior, Amen.

Hear the good news: The God who is holy beyond our imagining is also rich in mercy.
In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven, our burdens are lifted, and our help is sure.
Friends in faith, let us proclaim the Good News:
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Alleluia, Amen.

Song "The Heart of Worship" (see screen)

Welcoming New Staff

Blessing Younger Congregants

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

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

Sermon "A Blessing as We Go" *Rev. John Asher*

Scripture Numbers 6:24-26 NIV

Hymn # 332 "Live Into Hope"

Offering

Special Music "With Joy and Music" *Shepherd Choir*
(Eugene Butler)

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.**

Prayer of Dedication

Community Life

* Song "Shine, Jesus, Shine" (see screen)

* Benediction *Rev. John Asher*

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