

Shepherd of the Hill Presbyterian Church ^{USA}

~ Service for the Lord's Day ~
March 17, 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

Kim Randall

In reverence, in wonder, in hope, we gather.

With unsettled questions in our hearts,

With the mystery of God enshrouding us,

Acknowledging that we who were lost, are now found and loved.

Let us worship God.

* Hymn # 356

“Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Sharing Our Burdens Prayer

Kim Randall

Holy God, we long to be lifelong learners. We long to approach you with curiosity and an open mind. Instead, we often live as if we know best. We forget that the disciples called you “Rabbi, Teacher.” Forgive us for the times when we fail to be curious. Forgive us for the times when we assume we know best. Forgive us for the moments when we imagine that our learning is done and that we have all the answers. Like Peter—who was brave enough to ask, “How many times should we forgive?”—make us brave. Spark a desire in us to learn, and may our curiosity carry our faith into deeper waters. With hope and humility in Christ we pray. Amen.

Special Music

"Lord Jesus, Think On Me"
(Arr. Hal Hopson)

Shepherd Choir

Children's Message

Mattie Garcia

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

Scripture

Matthew 18: 15-22
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

"Teach Me"

Rev. John Asher

Song

"Lord, You Have My Heart"
Lord You have my heart
And I will search for Yours
Jesus take my life and lead me on
Lord You have my heart
And I will search for Yours
Let me be to You a sacrifice

And I will praise You Lord
And I will sing of love come down
And as You show Your face
We'll see Your glory here

Affirmation of Faith

Rev. John Asher

We believe that questions are a building block of faith.

"How many times should I forgive?" "Jesus, where are you going?" "What must I do to inherit eternal life?"

We believe that humble curiosity can open our eyes.

"Where does it hurt?" "What do you need?" "How can I help?"

We believe that God is a teacher.

"Speak, Lord, your servant is listening." "Here I am." "Send me."

We believe that faith invites our whole being to engage,
with all our heart, with all our mind, with all our strength.

We believe. Help our unbelief.

In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

* Song

"I Will Follow"

**Where You go I'll go, Where You stay I'll stay
When You move I'll move, I will follow**

**All Your ways are good, All Your ways are sure
I will trust in You alone
Higher than my sight, high above my life
I will trust in You alone**

CHORUS:

**Where You go I'll go, Where You stay I'll stay
When You move I'll move, I will follow You
Whom You love I'll love, How You serve I'll serve
If this life I lose, I will follow You**

**Light into the world, Light into my life
I will live for You alone
You're the One I seek, Knowing I will find
All I need in You alone, In You alone**

CHORUS

**In You there's life everlasting
In You there's freedom for my soul
In You there's joy unending joy
And I will follow**

CHORUS

**Yeah I will follow You yeah
I will follow You yeah, I will follow You yeah**

* Benediction

Rev. John Asher

* Postlude

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