



**BETHANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

# CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

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**Prelude** *Pastoral Symphony* by J. S. Bach

Sylvia Oines

## **Lighting the Christ Candle**

*The candle is lit to awaken us to the presence of God, to alert us to the invitation of Christ, the Light of the world, and to affirm our unity in Christ (in this sanctuary, our homes in Seattle, and around the world).*

**Welcome** *Worship Leader, Lynne Baab*

*Leader:* The Lord be with you!

*People:* **And also with you!**

**Museum Without Walls Commissioning** *Danielle Merseles Associate Pastor of Youth & Young Adults*

## **Passing the Peace of Christ**

### **Silent Listening**

### **Call to Worship**

**\*Song** *This Is The Day*

This is the day (this is the day)  
That the Lord has made (that the Lord has made)  
We will rejoice (we will rejoice)  
And be glad in it (and be glad in it)  
This is the day that the Lord has made  
We will rejoice and be glad in it  
This is the day (this is the day)  
That the Lord has made

**\*Song** *Halle Halle*

*Halle, halle, halle-lujah, halle, halle, halle-lujah*  
*Halle, halle, halle-lujah, hallelujah, hallelujah*

*"I AM the Bread of Life, feed on Me"*

*"I AM the one True Vine, grow in Me"*

*"I Am the Bread of Life, feed on Me"*

*Hallelujah, hallelujah*

*"I AM the resurrection, live in Me"*

*"I AM the Way, the Truth, follow Me"*

*"I AM the resurrection, live in Me"*

*Hallelujah, hallelujah (2x)*

**\*Song** *I'm So Blessed*

Trouble knocking at my door today

I ain't gonna let it in

Worry wanna steal my joy away

I ain't gonna let it in

On my best day, I'm a child of God

On my worst day, I'm a child of God

Oh, everyday is a good day

You're the reason why

*I'm so blessed, I'm so blessed*

*Got this heartbeat in my chest*

*No, it doesn't matter about the rest*

*If I got You, Lord, I'm so blessed (Repeat)*

**Song** *Jesus Strong And Kind* Kids Choir & Chancel Choir, Solos: Ryan Blankenship, Finn Johnson

Jesus said that if I thirst, I should come to Him  
No one else can satisfy, I should come to Him

Jesus said, if I am weak, I should come to Him  
No one else can be my strength, I should come to Him

*For the Lord is good and faithful, He will keep us day and night  
We can always run to Jesus. Jesus, strong and kind*

Jesus said that if I fear, I should come to Him  
No one else can be my shield, I should come to Him *(Chorus)*

Jesus said if I am lost, He will come to me  
And He showed me on that cross, He will come to me *(Chorus)*

### **Children's Message**

*Mark Russo*

**Song** *Thy Word*

*Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet  
And a light unto my path*

I will not forget Your love for me and yet  
My heart forever is wandering  
Jesus be my guide, and hold me to Your side  
I will love You to the end *(Chorus)*

### **Prayer of Confession and Declaration of Forgiveness**

**Scripture Reading** Matthew 1:18-25 (Pew Bible: NT, p. 1)

*Leader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

### **Responding to God's Great Love**

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*Leader:* You have given all to me.

*People:* To you, Lord, I return it.

*Leader:* Everything is Yours.

*People:* Do with it what You will.

*Leader:* Give me only your love and grace.

*People:* That is enough for me.

**Song** *God I Look to You*

God I look to You, I won't be overwhelmed  
Give me vision to see things like You do  
God I look to You, You're where my help comes from  
Give me wisdom, You know just what to do *(Repeat)*

*I will love You, Lord my strength*

*I will love You, Lord my shield*

*I will love You, Lord my rock*

*Forever all my days, I will love You, God*

*Hallelujah, our God reigns*

*Hallelujah, our God reigns*

*Hallelujah, our God reigns*

*Forever all my days, hallelujah (Repeat)*

**Prayer of Thanksgiving** *Ushers*

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**Sermon** *Lies My Preacher Told Me: Dispelling Mistruths re: the Old Testament Mistruth No. 6: What Really Matters is "Everything Is About Jesus"*

Text: Isaiah 7:10-17 (Pew Bible: OT, p. 596)

Doug Kelly, Senior Pastor

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Song** *Ancient Words*

Holy words, long preserved  
For our walk in this world  
They resound with God's own heart  
Oh, let the ancient words impart  
Words of life, words of hope  
Give us strength, help us cope  
In this world where'er we roam  
Ancient words will guide us home  
*Ancient words, ever true  
Changing me and changing you  
We have come with open hearts  
Oh, let the ancient words impart*  
Holy words of our faith  
Handed down to this age  
Came to us through sacrifice  
Oh, heed the faithful words of Christ  
Holy words long preserved  
For our walk in this world  
They resound with God's own heart  
Oh let the ancient words impart *(Chorus)*

**Benediction** *Doug Kelly*

**Postlude** *Ein Feste Burg* by Martin Luther *Sylvia Oines*

*\*Congregation, please rise in body or in spirit.*

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**Preaching Today:** *Senior Pastor, Doug Kelly*

**Leading Worship:** *Rev. Lynne Baab*

**Ministers:** *You, who are touched by God's grace, being healed by God's love.*

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