

**BETHANY** PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Prelude Sylvia Oines

**Welcome** Senior Pastor, Doug Kelly

Leader: The Lord be with you! **People: And also with you!** 

**Light the Christ Candle**Worship Leader, Jenn Cavanaugh

Silent Listening to God

**Call to Worship** 

**Hymn** #326 For All the Saints

Choir

For all the saints who from their labors rest Who Thee by faith before the world confessed

Thy name O Jesus be forever blessed; Alleluia, Alleluia

Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might

Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight

Thou in the darkness drear their one true Light; Alleluia, Alleluia

O blest communion, fellowship divine We feebly struggle, they in glory shine

Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine; Alleluia, Alleluia

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long

Steals on the ear the distant triumph song

And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong; Alleluia, Alleluia

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast

Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host

Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; Alleluia, Alleluia

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

Jenn Cavanaugh

#### **Scripture Reading** John 11:32-44

32 When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." 33 When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. 34 He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." 35 Jesus began to weep. 36 So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" 37 But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"38 Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. 39 Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." 40 Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" 41 So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. 42 I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." 43 When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" 44 The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

## \*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 Your grace

People: That is enough for me

**Song** Lord, I Run to You

Choir

Lord, I run to You; no one else will do

Lord, in trouble times, I will run straight to you

Though my heart and flesh may fail

You're my ever-present help

My tower of strength, my portion evermore

Lord I run to You; no one else will do

Lord, You said we'd face trouble, pain and fears

But to be of good cheer, be of good cheer

For You have overcome, overcome the world

I lift my eyes up to the mountains

Where does my help come from, it comes from You, Lord

You are the Maker of earth and heaven

And there is nothing that's too hard for You

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#### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Ushers

Children's Time Mary Anne Thomas

**Sermon** God's Death-Defying Promise: I Will Be Your God, And You Will Be My People

Sermon Text: Revelation 21:1-7 Katie Douglass

Our Prayers to God >>Click here for the Virtual Prayer Wall Doug Kelly

Holy Communion Doug Kelly

**Song** Why We Sing

Choir

Someone asked a question: "Why do we sing?"

When we lift our hands to Jesus, what do we really mean?

Someone may be wondering, when we sing our song

At times we may be crying, and nothing's even wrong

I sing because I'm happy, I sing because I'm free

His eye is on the sparrow, that's the reason why I sing

Glory, hallelujah, You're the reason why I sing

Glory, hallelujah, You're the reason why I sing

And when the song is over, we've all said Amen

In your heart just keep on singing, and the song will never end

And if somebody asks you, "Was it just a show?"

Lift your hands and be a witness, and tell the whole world, "No"

And when we cross that river, to study war no more

We will sing our song to Jesus, the One whom we adore

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**Benediction**Katie Douglass

**Closing Song** Go Now In Peace

Choir

Go now in peace, go now in peace; may the love of God surround you Everywhere, everywhere you may go (*Repeat*)

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Postlude Sylvia Oines

### **TODAY'S WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS:**

**Preaching today is Katie Douglass.** Katie is a professor of Practical Theology and educational ministry at Seattle Pacific University along with her husband, John. Katie has three boys and loves to ski and hike.

**Leading worship is Jenn Cavanaugh.** Jenn is a freelance writer, editor, and teacher who lives in Queen Anne with her husband, Jason Pratt, and daughters, Nora and Teagan Pratt. She was a founding member, arts and international student ministry leader, and deacon at Capitol Hill Presbyterian. She has also served as the Council Vice Moderator at The American Church in Paris and as our Interim Worship Coordinator here at Bethany.

**Ministers** You, who are touched by God's grace, being healed by God's love **Date** November 7, 2021 **Cover Photo** Michel Catalisano

