



BETHANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Prelude Seasonal selections for piano & organ *Bob Davies, piano & Sylvia Oines, organ*

Welcome *Worship Leader, Kelly Langford*

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

Lighting the Christ Candle (at homes in Seattle and around the world)

Silent Listening

Call to Worship

Ordination & Installation of Elders and Deacons

*Senior Pastor, Doug Kelly
and Elder Jeff Van Duzer*

Song #744 *Arise, Your Light is Come!*

Arise, your light is come! The Spirit's call obey
Show forth the glory of your God, which shines on you today
Arise, your light is come! Fling wide the prison door
Proclaim the captives' liberty, good tidings to the poor
Arise, your light is come! All you in sorrow born
Bind up the broken-hearted ones and comfort those who mourn
Arise, your light is come! The mountains burst in song
Rise up like eagles on the wing; God's power will make us strong

Prayer of Confession and Declaration of Forgiveness

Scripture Reading [Matthew 3:13-17](#) (Pew Bible: New Testament, p 3)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Song *This is Our God*

A refuge for the poor, a shelter from the storm, this is our God
He will wipe away your tears, and return your wasted years, this is our God
So call upon His name, He is mighty to save, this is our God
A father to the orphan, a healer to the broken, this is our God
He brings peace to our madness, and comfort in our sadness, this is our God
So call upon His name, He is mighty to save, this is our God

This is the One we have waited for (3x)

Jesus, Lord and Savior, this is our God

(Last time: You are the One we have waited for...)

A fountain for the thirsty, a lover for the lonely, this is our God
He brings glory to the humble, and crowns for the faithful, this is our God
So call upon His name, He is mighty to save, this is our God *(Chorus)*

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Children's Message

Session Treasurer, Timothy Chang

Responding to God's Great Love [>>Click here to give online](#)

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.**

Special Music *I Wonder as I Wander*

Bob Davies, piano & Sylvia Oines, organ

Appalachian folk tune, arr. Douglas Wagner

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Ushers

Our Prayers to God

Associate Pastor of Youth & Young Adults, Danielle Merseles

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Sermon *Searching for Messiah: Baptized in Solidarity*

Song *All the Poor and Powerless*

All the poor and powerless--and all the lost and lonely
And all the thieves will come confess--and know that You are holy
And know that You are holy
And all will sing out hallelujah, and we will cry out hallelujah
All the hearts who are content--and all who feel unworthy
And all who hurt with nothing left will know that You are holy (Chorus)
Shout it, go on and scream it from the mountains
Go on and tell it to the masses that He is God (Repeat to end)

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Song *For the One*

Let me be filled
With kindness and compassion for the one
The one for whom you loved and gave your Son
For humanity increase my love
Help me to love with open arms like You do
A love that erases all the lines and sees the truth
Oh that when they look in my eyes they would see You
Even in just a smile they would feel the Father's love
Oh how You love us
From the homeless to the famous and in-between
You formed us, You made us carefully
'Cause in the end, we're all Your children (Chorus)
Let all my life tell of who You are
And the wonder of Your never-ending love
Let all my life tell of who You are
You're wonderful and such a good Father. (Chorus)

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Benediction

Postlude *Hornpipe* G. F. Handel

Sylvia Oines

Preaching Today Doug Kelly

Leading Worship Kelly Langford

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

Date January 8, 2023

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