



**BETHANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

# CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

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*Please remember to silence anything that buzzes or beeps.*

**Prelude** *Rejoice in God's Saints* by Hubert Parry *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** *Meghan Waddle, Worship Leader*

*Leader: The Lord be with you!*

*People: And also with you!*

**News From The Front** *Nuevo Amanecer* *Frank Holman and  
Doris Martinez*

## **Passing the Peace of Christ**

### **Call to Worship**

**\*Hymn** #41 *O Worship the King, All Glorious Above (Verses 1 & 5)*

**\*Hymn** #634 *To God Be the Glory*

### **Silent Listening**

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

**Children's Message** *Hannah Langford*

**Hymn** #526 *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

*Let us talents and tongues employ*

*Reaching out with a shout of joy*

*Bread is broken, the wine is poured*

*Christ is spoken and seen and heard*

*Jesus lives again*

*Earth can breathe again*

*Pass the word around*

*Loaves abound*

## **Our Prayers to God**

*Danielle Merseles, Associate Pastor*

[>> Click Here for the Virtual Prayer Wall >>](#)

### **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 grace.

*People:* **That is enough for me.**

### **Song** *Build My Life*

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing  
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring  
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe  
We live for You

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name  
Jesus the only One who could ever save  
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe  
We live for You, we live for You

*Holy, there is no one like You*

*There is none beside You*

*Open up my eyes in wonder*

*Show me who You are and fill me*

*With Your heart and lead me*

*In Your love to those around me*

I will build my life upon Your love

It is a firm foundation

I will put my trust in You alone

And I will not be shaken *(Repeat & Chorus)*

### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

*Ushers*

**Scripture Reading** Genesis 3:1-10 (Pew Bible: OT, p. 2-3)

**Sermon** *Where Are You?* Rev. Danielle Merseles

## **The Sacrament of Our Lord's Supper**

*Please come forward to form two lines. There are two ways to receive the sacrament: you may take a communion kit and partake of it in your pew; or you may receive a piece of bread, dip it in the common cup, and partake of the elements. If you would like gluten-free, just ask your server for it. Those who do not wish to receive the sacraments can simply cross their arms and they will receive a brief blessing. A leader is available up front for intercessory prayer.*

## **The Lord's Prayer** (p. 35 in hymnal)

### **Song** *God With Us*

Who are we that You would be mindful of us  
What do You see that's worth looking our way  
We are free in ways that we never should be  
Sweet release from the grip of these chains

*(Pre-Chorus)* Like hinges straining from the weight

My heart no longer can keep from singing

*All that is within me cries, "For You alone be glorified"*

*Emmanuel, God with us*

*My heart sings a brand new song*

*The debt is paid, these chains are gone*

*Emmanuel, God with us*

Lord, You know our hearts don't deserve Your glory

Still You show a love we cannot afford *(Pre-Chorus & Chorus)*

Such a tiny offering compared to Calvary

Nevertheless, we lay it at Your feet *(Repeat & Chorus)*

### **Song** *Living Hope*

How great the chasm that lay between us

How high the mountain I could not climb

In desperation, I turned to heaven

And spoke Your name into the night

Then through the darkness, Your loving-kindness

Tore through the shadows of my soul

The work is finished, the end is written  
Jesus Christ my living hope  
Who could imagine so great a mercy  
What heart could fathom such boundless grace  
The God of ages stepped down from glory  
To wear my sin and bear my shame  
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven  
The King of kings calls me His own  
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever  
Jesus Christ my living hope

*Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free  
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me  
You have broken every chain  
There's salvation in Your name  
Jesus Christ, my living hope*

Then came the morning that sealed the promise  
Your buried body began to breathe  
Out of the silence, the roaring lion  
Declared the grave has no claim on me *(Repeat)*  
Jesus, Yours is the victory *(Chorus)*

**Benediction**

*Danielle Merseles*

**Postlude** *Eternal Father Strong to Save* by John Dykes    *Sylvia Oines*

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

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**Preaching Today:** *Rev. Danielle Merseles*

**Leading Worship:** *Meghan Waddle*

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

**Date:** *November 5, 2023*

**Cover:** *"Mary and Eve" by Scott Erickson*

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# TODAY

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**Preaching Today is Rev. Danielle Merseles.** Danielle is the Associate Pastor of Youth and Young Adults here at Bethany.

**Leading worship today is Meghan Waddle.** Meghan has been worshipping at Bethany for the last five years. She enjoys helping out with Sunday School and High School Youth Group. Meghan and her wife, Allison, enjoyed watching their son, London, dress up as a garbage truck worker this week for Halloween with baby sister, Kennedy, in tow!

## **Children's Programming**

- **Childcare:** Ages 2 years and younger in room #102 at the beginning of both services.
- **9:00am:** Individual classes for children 3 years old through 5th grade after the Children's Message.
- **10:45am:** Classes for preschoolers, and Godly Play for kindergartners through 3rd graders after the Children's Message. 4th and 5th graders stay in the sanctuary with their families.

## **Kids Choir | 10:15–10:45am | Parlor**

*All children ages 4 through 6th grade are welcome to join us! We are preparing music for an upcoming Sunday service and our Welcoming Advent program.*

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## NEWS & NOTES

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**The rose on the lectern** is in celebration of the birth of Blaine Adele on October 24th. Congratulations to mom and dad, Kate and Ben Barker; big brother, Blake; and grandparents, David and Kathy Barker.

**Lost & Found Tidy Up.** This is the final week to collect your items! Visit the shelves just up the stairs between the Lobby and Church Office (3 Howe House). Any remaining items will be donated to Wednesday Night Dinner on Nov 8th.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

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**Faith Formation Class on Habakkuk** | Sun, Nov 5th, 10:45am | 7 Howe | *Lynne Baab will lead this class on “Dialoguing With God Alongside Habakkuk.” The flow of dialogue in Habakkuk is so relevant for today, and Habakkuk’s acceptance and surrender provide a beautiful model for us.*

**Meet and Greet Church Officer Nominees** | Sun, Nov 5th, between services | Fellowship Hall | *This is an opportunity to visit with the new slate of church officers we are preparing to elect at the Nov 11th Congregational Meeting. Hard copies of the nominee bios are on the lobby table.*

**Thanksgiving Eve Service and Dinner** | Wed, Nov 22nd, 6:30pm Fellowship Hall & Sanctuary | *Join the Wednesday Night Dinner community for turkey dinner, followed by a service of prayer, song, expressing our thanks to God, and sharing what we are grateful for. Doors open at 5:00pm. Scan the QR Code here to RSVP.*



**Global & Regional Outreach Potluck** | Sun, Nov 12th, 5:00-7:30pm | *Interested in global and regional outreach? We are gathering quarterly for fellowship and prayer for our ministry partners. We’d love to have you join for the first potluck dinner. RSVP to Carrie Ngongo, cngongo@gmail.*

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## REGULAR GATHERINGS

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**No Coffee Monday This Week** | *Event will resume Nov 13th at Zoka Coffee in South Lake Union from 3:30-6:00 pm with Pastor Doug. Stop by to share any questions, joys, or concerns about your own life or Bethany’s.*

**Women’s Bible Study** | Tues, Nov 7th, 10:00am | 7 Howe & Online | *Women of all ages and stages are invited to study the Bible with us. We are using the booklet, “Cloud of Witnesses: The Community of Christ in Hebrews,” by Melissa Bane Sevier.*

**College-Age Bible Study** | Wednesdays, 8:30-10pm | Eric & Carina Long’s home | *Join us for tea, snacks, conversation and bible study. Contact Professor Long for address or with any questions: long@spu.edu.*