



June 13, 2021

Welcome

Senior Pastor, Doug Kelly

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Light the Christ Candle around Seattle & the World

Worship Leader, Eric Mansfield

Silent Listening

Call to Worship

Song *You Keep On Getting Better*

Transitional Director of Worship, Phillip Ferrell

I will sing of Your goodness

I will sing of Your love

Though the seasons come quickly

You have always been enough

Though the night may get darker

Though the waiting seems long

You have always been faithful

To remind me of Your love

You are good; in the morning I'll sing

You are good; in the evening I'll sing

You are good; You are good to me

You have always been patient

You have always been kind

You're consistent through the ages

Oh, what a friend of mine

So I'll remind my soul to bless You

Standing firm upon Your truth

Knowing You cannot be shaken

'Cause I've seen what You can do, oh *(Chorus)*

You keep on getting better

You keep on getting better

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Scripture Mark 4:26-34 (NRSV)

Eric Mansfield

²⁶ He also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, ²⁷and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. ²⁸The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. ²⁹But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'

³⁰ He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? ³¹It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; ³²yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.'

³³ With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; ³⁴he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

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Doug Kelly

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**

Thanksgiving for the ministry of Cody Duoos, Middle School Coordinator

Children's Message

Jennifer Steenstra

Song *O God We Adore You*

Phillip Ferrell

O God we adore You

Lay our lives before You

How we love You

Jesus we adore You

Lay our lives before You

How we love You

Spirit we adore You

Lay our lives before You

How we love You

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Sermon

Co-Executive of Seattle Presbytery, Eliana Maxim

Our Prayers to God

Doug Kelly

Song *King of My Heart*

Phillip Ferrell

Let the King of my heart be the mountain where I run

The fountain I drink from, oh He is my song

Let the King of my heart be the shadow where I hide

The ransom for my life, oh He is my song

You are good, good oh (4x)

Let the King of my heart be the wind inside my sails

The anchor in the waves, oh He is my song

Let the King of my heart be the fire inside my veins

The echo of my days, oh He is my song

You're never gonna let, never gonna let me down (4x) (Chorus)

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Benediction

Eliana Maxim

Closing Song *Go Now In Peace*

Phillip Ferrell

Go now in peace, go now in peace; may the love of God surround you

Everywhere, everywhere you may go *(Repeat)*

TODAY'S WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Preaching today is Eliana Maxim. Eliana is currently serving as Seattle Presbytery's Co-Executive. She was born in Barranquilla, Colombia and immigrated to the US as a young child with her parents, residing in Los Angeles, CA. She earned an undergraduate degree in communication arts and worked as a news producer for 12 years until she and her family moved to Seattle. Here she finally paid attention to the long-ignored call on her heart and served on staff at Mercer Island Presbyterian Church as Director of Children and Family ministries from 1996-2010. During that time, she began and completed her Master's in Divinity. Eliana was ordained in 2011. Eliana and her husband, Alex, have two adult daughters, Sacha and Gabi, both Seattle residents, plus a spoiled rescue Boxer dog named Lola. She enjoys a good book, cooking, exploring new places, and meeting new people.

Leading worship today is Eric Mansfield. Eric has been attending Bethany since 2003. He is married to Helene and they have three children, Emma, Fredrik, and Henea. Eric loves to swim, cook and travel, and is passionate about his job teaching math at an alternative high school here in Seattle.

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

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