



August 23, 2020

Welcome

Head of Staff Pastor, Doug Kelly

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

News From The Front *Seattle World School*

Marie Fritzberg

Light the Christ Candle Throughout Seattle

Worship Leader, Brian Ives

Silent Listening

Call to Worship

Song *Come All Ye Pining*

Rick & Lisa Hudson

Lord, we adore Thy boundless grace, the heights and depths unknown
Of pardon, life, and joy, and peace, in Thy beloved Son

*Come, all ye pining, hungry, poor, the Savior's bounty taste
Behold a never-failing store for every willing guest*

O wondrous gifts of love divine, dear source of every good
Jesus, in Thee what glories shine! How rich Thy flowing love *(Chorus)*

Here shall your numerous wants receive a free, a full supply
He has unmeasured bliss to give, and joys that never die *(Chorus)*

Music written by Red Mountain Music 2010 lyrics by Anne Steele, Gadsby Hymnal #1039.

Scripture Reading Luke 14:7-15 (NRSV)

Brian Ives

⁷When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. ⁸“When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; ⁹and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, ‘Give this person your place,’ and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher’; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. ¹¹For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

¹²He said also to the one who had invited him, “When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

¹⁵One of the dinner guests, on hearing this, said to him, “Blessed is anyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!”

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Forgiveness

Our Response to God's Great Love [\(click here if you would like to give your offering online\)](#)

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**

Song *Doxology*

Rick & Lisa Hudson

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

Praise Him, all creatures here below

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Children's Message Godly Play *The Great Banquet* Luke 14:16-23

Julia Sensenbrenner

Sermon *Jesus and the Thermostat*

Doug Kelly

Our Prayers to God

Associate Pastor of Youth and Young Adults, Danielle Merseles

Song *All the Poor and Powerless*

Rick & Lisa Hudson

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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Benediction

Doug Kelly

Closing Song *Go Now In Peace*

Rick & Lisa Hudson

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 Doug Kelly and Brian Ives is leading worship. Brian is a Bethany member for 30+ years, a lawyer, baseball fan, and current Administration Elder. Brian and his wife, Jacque, have two adult sons, Nathan (InterVarsity Staff at Amherst College), and Wilson (engineer at SpaceX), and a Labrador retriever, Ted, who still eats things he shouldn't.

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