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Welcome

Associate Pastor for Youth & Young Adults, Danielle Merseles

Leader: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

An Update from the Director of Worship Search Team

Amy Eyler

Introduction to Our Interim Worship Coordinator

Danielle Merseles, Jenn Cavanaugh

Light The Christ Candle Throughout Seattle

Danielle Merseles

Silent Listening

Call to Worship Psalm 146:5-10 (NRSV)

Audrey McFarland

⁵ Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God. ⁶He is the Maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them – He remains faithful forever. ⁷He upholds the cause of the oppressed and gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets prisoners free, ⁸ the Lord gives sight to the blind, the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down, the Lord loves the righteous. ⁹The Lord watches over the foreigner and sustains the fatherless and the widow, but He frustrates the ways of the wicked. ¹⁰The Lord reigns forever; your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the Lord.

Song Way Maker

Suzanne and Jeremy Mason

You are here, moving in our midst; we worship You, we worship You

You are here, You're working in this place; we worship You, we worship You (Repeat)

Way maker, miracle worker

Promise keeper, light in the darkness

My God, that is who You are (Repeat)

You are here, touching every heart; we worship You, we worship You

You are here, healing every heart; we worship You, we worship You

You are here, You're turning lives around; we worship You, we worship You

You are here, mending every heart; we worship You, we worship You (Chorus)

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Scripture Reading Romans 5:1-5 (NRSV)

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Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Forgiveness

Children's Message Colleen Harriott

Song I'm Trusting You

Suzanne and Jeremy Mason

Wherever You lead me, I'm gonna follow I'm trusting you, God, You are good! Life will get crazy, wild and amazing I'm trusting you, God, You are good! ©2019 Group Publishing | Jay Stocker

Our Response to God's Great Love (click here if you would like to give your offering online) Audrey McFarland

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

Sermon Speaking the Language of Heaven Amidst the Groans of Earth* Tim Dearborn

Our Prayers to God

Danielle Merseles

Song The Solid Rock Suzanne and Jeremy Mason

My hope is built on nothing less, than Jesus' blood and righteousness I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil On Christ, the solid rock, I stand, all other ground is sinking sand,

All other ground is sinking sand

His oath, His covenant, His blood support me in the whelming flood

When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay (Refrain)

When He shall come with trumpet sound, oh may I then in Him be found

Dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne (Refrain)

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Benediction Tim Dearborn

Closing Song Go Now In Peace

Suzanne and Jeremy Mason

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

Preacher, Tim Dearborn: Tim and his wife, Kerry, have been involved in Bethany for over a dozen years. Tim is a retired Presbyterian pastor who served as a professor at Fuller Seminary, Regent College, SPU, and the University of Aberdeen in Scotland. He worked with World Vision International for ten years. Tim and Kerry are grateful for this season of life and being with their daughters and their families (and 8 grandchildren) when possible amidst the pandemic. Cycling, hiking, and building a small cabin in the Cascades are great sources of refreshment.

*Recently, Tim authored a short book entitled "Making Life Right (when so much seems wrong): Reflections on Micah 6:8." To find out more and to download a free copy, <u>click here</u>.

Worship Leader, Audrey McFarland: Audrey is going to be a senior at Calvin College in Grand Rapids, where she is studying nursing.

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