



**BETHANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**



## **Offering: Responding to God's Great Love**

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*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.**

## **Special Music**    *At Your Mercy Seat*    by James Huey

From every stormy wind that blows

From every swelling tide of woes

There is a calm, a sure retreat

Found beneath the mercy seat

There is a place where Jesus sheds

The oil of gladness on our heads

A place that all beside more sweet

It is the blood-bought mercy seat

*I will come, I will bow down*

*Pour my burdens out at Your feet*

*I will come, I will bow down at Your mercy seat*

There is a scene where spirits blend

Where friend holds fellowship with friend

Though sundered far, by faith they meet

Around one common mercy seat

There on eagles' wings we soar

And sin and sense molest no more

And heaven comes, our souls to greet

While glory crowns the mercy seat

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

*Ushers*

**Sermon**    *Forming a People for God:                    Doug Kelly, Senior Pastor*  
                  *There I Will Meet You*

**Text:**        Exodus 25:17-22 (Pew Bible: OT, p. 66)

*Leader:* The Word of the Lord.    ***People:* Thanks be to God.**



**\*Song** *Lord I Need You* by Jesse Reeves et al.

Lord, I come, I confess, bowing here I find my rest

And without you I fall apart

You're the one that guides my heart

*Lord I need you, oh, I need you, ev'ry hour I need You*

*My one defense, my righteousness*

*Oh God, how I need You*

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more

Where grace is found is where You are

And where You are, Lord, I am free

Holiness is Christ in me

Where You are, Lord, I am free

Holiness is Christ in me (*Chorus*)

So, teach my song to rise to You

When temptation comes my way

And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You

Jesus, You're my hope and stay

And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You

Jesus, You're my hope and stay (*Chorus x2*)

**Benediction**

*Doug Kelly*

**Postlude** *When Morning Gilds the Skies*  
by Joseph Barnaby

*Sylvia Oines*

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**Preaching Today:** *Doug Kelly, Senior Pastor*

**Leading Worship:** *Lynne Baab*

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

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# SERMON NOTES

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## TODAY

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**Preaching today is Senior Pastor, Doug Kelly, and leading worship is Rev. Dr. Lynne Baab.** *Lynne is a writer and adjunct professor. She writes Bethany's email devotionals on Tuesdays focused on prayer, and her latest book is a collection of devotionals called Friendship, Listening, and Empathy: A Prayer Guide. Each short chapter is illustrated with a watercolor by her husband, Dave. One of Lynne's greatest joys is her ten-year-old granddaughter who lives nine blocks from her and Dave in South Seattle.*

### **Children's Programming**

- **Childcare:** *Ages 2 years and younger in room #102 at the beginning of the service.*
- **10:00am:** *Classes for children 3 years old through 5th grade after the Children's Message. Parents of preschoolers, please accompany kids to their room.*

**Godly Play in Worship |** *Throughout the month of August, we are experiencing Godly Play during our children's message time. This year, the theme is "Forming a People for God." Please note – we'll be using the big screen during worship so everyone can see the Godly Play story, and then it will be removed from the sanctuary.*

**All-Church Picnic | Today, 12-3pm | Woodland Park |** *The All-Church Picnic is Today!! 12-3pm at Woodland Park, Shelter #3! Everyone is invited! Our own Ken Jordan is bringing his famous BBQ to share. If you can, bring a side, but if you don't have a shareable, please come anyway! [Click here for directions.](#)*

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## REGULAR GATHERINGS

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**Coffee Monday with Pastor Doug | Aug 26, 2:30-5:00pm | Queen Anne Coffee Co, 2121 Queen Anne Ave N |** *Stop by to share any questions, joys, or concerns about your own life or Bethany's.*

**No Wednesday Night Dinner |** *WND breaks for all of August, and will resume on September 4th at 5:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.*

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

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[Click Here for Sign-Ups & Information for Upcoming Events Listed Below](#)

**SWS School Supply Drive | Jul 29 – Aug 28** | *The annual school supply drive for Seattle World School/Kandelina is ending soon, and several items are still needed. SWS serves and supports a diverse cross-section of students, including new refugees and immigrants. They've created a wishlist on Amazon to make it easy to donate – please follow the [Amazon link](#) to purchase and send your supplies.*

**Infants & Toddlers Volunteer** | *We have a need for more caregivers for our growing 6 months through 2-year-old class. Contact Athena if you would like to hear more about the opportunity: [thenaduran@gmail.com](mailto:thenaduran@gmail.com).*

**Position Opening at Bethany: Wedding and Event Host** | *Paid position per wedding/event. We're hoping to form a team of hosts. Contact Pastor Doug Kelly if interested in applying: [dougk@bethanypc.org](mailto:dougk@bethanypc.org).*

**Middle East: History and Current Peacemaking Organizations** | **Sep 15, 22, & 29th, 9:00am | Parlor** | *The situation in the Middle East is both heartbreaking and often times confusing. Join SPU History professor Alissa Walter for a special two-part history of the conflict, followed by a third week led by Tim and Kerry Dearborn highlighting peacemaking organizations and initiatives in the region, and time of prayer. Contact Marisa with questions: [marisag@bethanypc.org](mailto:marisag@bethanypc.org).*

**Men's Retreat – Registration is Open | Sep 27-29 | Camp Casey** | *Join us at the iconic Camp Casey on Whidbey Island for a weekend of fellowship, rest, friendship, worship, and growth. Our theme: "Did Jesus Really Expect That?" This year's speaker is Bob Drovdahl, emeritus professor of Educational Ministry at SPU and active congregant at Bethany since 2012. Early bird registration is now open; cost is \$195. After September 1, registration cost is \$215. [Click to register.](#)*

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**Interested in Joining a Small Group?** | *As you look toward fall, is there a space in your life (or in your home group) to join with a small group to share life and faith together? Are you being invited to step into something new? Or return to something shared with others on the journey? Be on the lookout for new group sign ups in September. If you've got thoughts, questions, or ideas about leading, joining, or hosting, please reach out to Jennifer Steenstra, Group Life Elder at [jennifersteenstra.b@gmail.com](mailto:jennifersteenstra.b@gmail.com).*