



Sermon On the Mount:
LIFE IN A CONTRAST COMMUNITY

Bethany Presbyterian Church

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

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).

Prelude

Sylvia Oines

Welcome

Jenn Cavanaugh, Worship Leader

Leader: The Lord be with you!

People: And also with you!

Call to Worship

***Hymn** #634 *To God Be The Glory*

To God be the glory; great things He has done
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin
And opened the life gate that all may go in

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice

O, come to the Father through Jesus the Son

And give Him the glory; great things He has done

Great things He has taught us; great things He has done

And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son

But purer and higher and greater will be

Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see

***Song** *Great Things* by Phil Wickham and Jonas Myrin

Come, let us worship our King

Come, let us bow at His feet

He has done great things

See what our Savior has done

See how His love overcomes

He has done great things

He has done great things

O Hero of heaven, You conquered the grave
You free every captive and break every chain
O God, You have done great things
We dance in Your freedom, awake and alive
O Jesus, our Savior, Your name lifted high
O God, You have done great things
You've been faithful through every storm
You'll be faithful forevermore
You have done great things
And I know You will do it again
For Your promise is Yes and Amen
You will do great things
God, you do great things (*Chorus*)
Hallelujah, God above it all
Hallelujah, God unshakable
Hallelujah, You have done great things (*Repeat*)
You've done great things (*Chorus*)
You have done great things
O God, You do great things

Passing the Peace of Christ

Silent Listening

Prayer of Confession and Declaration of Forgiveness

Children's Message

Lisa Dunn

Scripture Reading Matthew 5:17–20 (Pew Bible: NT, p. 4)

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

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.

Song *Good Good Father* by Chris Tomlin

I've heard a thousand stories of what they think You're like
But I've heard the tender whisper of love in the dead of night
And You tell me that You're pleased and that I'm never alone

You're a good, good Father

It's who You are, it's who You are, it's who You are

And I'm loved by You

It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am

I've seen many searching for answers far and wide

But I know we're all searching for answers only You provide

'Cause You know just what we need before we say a word

You're a good, good Father

It's who You are, it's who You are, it's who You are

And I'm loved by You

It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am

You are perfect in all of Your ways

You are perfect in all of Your ways

You are perfect in all of Your ways to us (*Repeat*)

Love so undeniable

I can hardly speak

Peace so unexplainable

I can hardly think

As You call me deeper still

As You call me deeper still

As You call me deeper still into love, love, love (*Chorus*)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Ushers

Our Prayers to God

Marisa Gronholz, Director of Outreach Ministries

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

Sermon *The Claim of Fulfillment*

*Danielle Merseles, Associate Pastor
of Youth & Young Adults*

Song *King of My Heart* by John Mark McMillan & Sarah McMillan

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 (*Chorus*)

You're never gonna let

Never gonna let me down (*4x, Chorus*)

Benediction

Postlude

Sylvia Oines

Preaching Today: *Danielle Merseles, Assoc. Pastor of Youth & Young Adults*

Leading Worship: *Jenn Cavanaugh*

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

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TODAY

Preaching today is Associate Pastor of Youth & Young Adults, Danielle Merseles, and leading worship is Jenn Cavanaugh. *Jenn is a freelance writer, editor, and teacher who lives on Queen Anne with her husband, Jason Pratt, and teenaged kid, Teagan. Nora is at Purdue University this fall.*

TODAY

Children's Programming

[Click for details on child pick-up.](#)

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

From the Flock | Please pray for the family and friends of Candice Battle who died Tuesday, September 24th. May the blessings of our Lord go out to her husband John, and children Travis and Alexandra. A Memorial Service date in the Sanctuary has yet to be determined.

REGULAR GATHERINGS

No Coffee Monday with Pastor Doug This Week | Event will resume Oct 7, 2:30-5:00pm at Zoka Coffee near University Village.

Attention Women! Women's Bible Study Starts Oct 1st | 10 am | 1st & 3rd Tuesdays | 7 Howe | We will be studying the Ten Commandments with a study guide from Presbyterian Women. Newcomers are encouraged to check us out. Please join us either in person in 7 Howe or online. See us today in the lobby after both services for questions or sign-up. Contact Lynn Beaumont at newhatdsl@msn.com for more info or questions.

Wednesday Night Dinner | 5:00-6:30pm | Fellowship Hall | An open-door community ministry of Bethany. All are welcome to join us for dinner!

Youth Group | High School (all 9th-12th graders): Tues, 7-8:30pm | Middle School (all 6th-8th graders): Thurs, 7-8:30pm | Youth House (11 Howe) | Come for some games, snacks, small groups, prayer and fun!

Chancel Choir Rehearsal | Thurs, 7:00-8:30pm | Sanctuary

Join our fall season rehearsals. You may join to sing in Sunday services, or just for Advent. Contact Carlos Rangel at carlosr@bethanypc.org to sign up.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Serving Coffee after Service | *Looking for an easy and fun way to serve? Serve coffee (and sometimes treats) through Coffee Fellowship (following either of the two services). Email michelle.mcfarland@gmail.com or text 206-954-5363.*

Interested in Joining a Small Group? | *Is there a space in your life (or in your home group) to join with a small group to share life and faith together? New group sign ups are happening now. Send questions about leading, joining or hosting to Jennifer Steenstra, Group Life Elder at jennifersteenstra.b@gmail.com. Scan the Events QR to sign up!*

Prayer and Potluck | **Thurs, Oct 3rd, 5:30–7:30pm** | **Marie Fritzberg's Home** | *Please join us for this quarter's Prayer and Potluck for our Local Outreach Partners, October 3rd from 5:30-7:30 at the home of Marie Fritzberg. It's a time to meet a new friend, share a meal, learn about the latest from our local partners and pray for our ministry partners together. All are welcome! Marie will provide rice, greens and some sauces. Please bring something to add to our rice bowls. Contact Marie at mariefritzberg@gmail.com to RSVP or for more information.*

Bethany 101 | **Sat, Oct 5th, 9:30am – 12:30pm** | **7 Howe** | *This class is for anyone who wants to dive deeper into who we are at Bethany and explore what church membership is about. In an informal setting, participants will learn more about the goals and vision of Bethany, what it means to be Christian, and how to get connected in the life of the church. More than that, we look forward to spending some time getting to know you! Child care is available, but must be requested by October 2nd. For more info contact Doug Kelly: dougk@bethanypc.org, or click the Events link to sign up!*

Middle East: History and Current Peacemaking Organizations | **Sun, Oct 6th, 9:00am** | **Parlor** | *Join our third and final week led by Tim and Kerry Dearborn. Questions? Email marisag@bethanypc.org.*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Kids Choir | Starting Sun, Oct 6th, 10:15am-10:45am | Parlor

All children ages 5 through 6th grade are welcome to join. This is a great opportunity to be together and learn music skills. We will rehearse Sundays from 10:15-10:45am in the Parlor and sing in upcoming services.

Growing in Prayer with the Psalms of David | Sun, Oct 13th, 9am Parlor

For this class, we'll use a variety of ways of engaging with five of the 72 (!) psalms that are described as "of David": responsive reading, lectio divina of both written and sung psalms, guided imagery, and discussion. We'll dive into psalms that represent diverse kinds of prayer so we can grow in our own prayers. Join Lynne Baab, author of Bethany's Tuesday devotionals on prayer, for this experiential class.

Save The Date: 90 Year Organ Anniversary Concert | Sun, Oct 20, 4pm-

5pm | *Bethany's organ turns 90 years old! We'll have a blowout birthday concert with guest organists and our own Sylvia Oines at the helm.*

Do You Play Any Instrument? | *You can share your musical gifts with Bethany in 2 ways: playing the prelude in our services and/or playing in the instrumental ensemble. Contact Carlos Rangel at carlosr@bethanypc.org for more info.*