



ORDER FOR WORSHIP

Sunday, November 10, 2019

"A New Way Is Coming" - I Will Restore My House, Haggai 1:15b-2:9

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

A TIME FOR GATHERING AND QUIET MEDITATION

Welcome. We are so glad you have joined us for worship today. Please fill out our Friendship Pad, located at the end of your pew, so we can get to know you. Prayer cards are also available in the pew pockets. If you would like to have your prayer shared in worship, please fill out the card and hand it to an usher during the Passing of the Peace.

We worship using the liturgy printed in your bulletin and two songbooks: the Glory to God hymnal (GTG), and The Faith We Sing (FWS). Please silence electronic devices before the service. Nursery care is available for children ages birth through 3 years and Godly Play is available for children ages 4 through middle school.

**Please stand as you are able.*

PRELUDE

Luke Arnold

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Seth Thomas

***OPENING WORDS**

Faye Hill, Lector

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;
break forth into joyous song and sing praises.
Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre,
with the lyre and the sound of melody.
With trumpets and the sound of the horn
make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord.
Come, make a joyful noise, sing praises!
Come, let us worship the Lord!

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

"God Reveal Your Presence" - GTG #412

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Seth Thomas

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God we come before you a broken people in a broken world.
We confess we have ignored, yet again, your assured presence.
We have forged our own paths and charted our own waters.
In the name of independence, we have ignored your aid,
your comfort, and your peace.
We have called upon you in desperation rather than
recalling your mighty and faithful acts in all times and places.
Forgive us.
You have been with us in exile and liberation;
be with us even now. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

INVITATION TO GODLY PLAY

Tracy Caruso

***THE PEACE**

**The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.**

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Faye Hill

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 98, p. 551

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

CHORAL ANTHEM

"Celtic Laud" by Martin/Courtney

SERMON READING

Haggai 1:15b-2:9, p. 878

SERMON

"I Will Restore My House"
Rev. Seth Thomas

***HYMN OF RESPONSE**

"We Give Thee But Thine Own"
GTG #708

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rev. Seth Thomas

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Luke Arnold

***DOXOLOGY**

"For the Life That You Have Given" - GTG #717

For the life that you have given, for the love in Christ made known, With these fruits of time and labor, with these gifts that are your own: Here we offer, Lord, our praises; heart and mind and strength we bring; Give us grace to love and serve you, living what we pray and sing.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

"Thankful Hearts and Voices Raised"

GTG #648

WE GO INTO THE WORLD AS GOD'S AMBASSADORS

***BLESSING & CHARGE**

Rev. Seth Thomas

POSTLUDE

Luke Arnold

*As our worship concludes, our service begins.
We invite you to join us for fellowship and refreshments in the Horizon Room, to your right as you leave the sanctuary, overlooking the bay.
Please introduce yourself to those new to you and extend the hand of peace, friendship, and welcome to everyone.*

**Next week, November 17th: Isaiah 65:17-25,
That All May Live In Safety**

PROVIDING LEADERSHIP IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Lector: Faye Hill
Head Usher: Martha Speer
Sacristan: Faye Hill
Coffee Hour: Deacons
Flowers: Rick and Jean Seater

ST. JAMES STAFF

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Tuesday, Wednesdays 9:00am-12:00pm

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GODLY PLAY: EXODUS

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GRATEFUL BOOK STUDY

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DESSERT AUCTION

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ADVENT FESTIVAL

Please join us right after worship on December 1st for our annual advent festival. We will be enjoying a spaghetti lunch and decorating Christmas cookies. Look for sign up cards in the attendance pads.

ORDER POINSETTIAS FOR ADVENT

You can now order your memorial poinsettias for the Advent and Christmas Season. This is a fundraiser for the St. James Flower Committee and potted poinsettia plants are \$20. Please fill out the form in your bulletin.

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PROGRAMS SHARING OUR ST. JAMES FACILITY

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Bellingham Community Chorus: 6:30pm, Tuesdays

Overeaters Anon: 10:00am, Saturdays

WA Gender Alliance: 7:30pm, Tuesdays

You Are Not Alone (YANA): 6:00pm, 2nd Monday

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