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20th of the month.

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Third Sunday of Easter





Sunday, April 23, 2023 11:00 a.m.

In the Sanctuary

Please respect those gathering in prayer before worship.

<p>Welcome to Worship! We are glad you are here.</p> <p>Masks are recommended but not required.</p> <p>Children are a treasured part of this community! Please find a Worship Adventure Packet or a Busy Box at the tables in the foyers. Children are free to use these resources during the worship service as they sit in the pews or in the Wiggle Room.</p> <p>For families who prefer to worship together in a more informal setting, the service may be seen and heard in the Wiggle Room (aka Brawley Room) adjacent to the sanctuary. Arts, crafts, books and other materials are also available there to engage younger children.</p> <p>Please take a moment to turn your cell phone ringer off. Thank you!</p>		
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Prelude	<i>An Easter Chorale</i> - Jonathan B. Hall	
Call to Worship	Donna Ward	
<i>Please read responsively bolded words.</i>		
<p>As the earth groans... we are called to listen, not because we are extraordinary heroes but because we are ordinary creatures.</p> <p>As the climate warms... we are called to awaken, not to sudden and ultimate enlightenment, but to the next right thing.</p> <p>As disasters strike... we are called to repent, not for ourselves as individuals but for our participation in Empire.</p> <p>As our Mother calls us to her... We are to call one another to listen, to awaken, to repent... ..and to live!</p>		
*Hymn	<i>We Are Not Our Own</i>	#564
Time with Children	Linda Zaugg	
Video Presentation	<i>"A Song of Our Warming Planet"</i> Daniel Crawford -composer/player	
Invitations to Involvement/Call to Giving/Call to Prayer	Sarah Merner	
*Prayer Hymn	<i>Pray for the Wilderness</i>	#557
Pastoral Prayer	George Lawson	
Anthem	<i>Touch the Earth Lightly</i> - Tony Alonso	Sanctuary Choir
<p>*If it is comfortable for you, please stand where indicated.</p>		

Scripture	Luke 19: 1-10 (NRSVUE)	Keith Ervin
Sermon	“Re: Creation”	Abby Castle Brockway
*Hymn	<i>We Cannot Own the Sunlit Sky</i>	#563
Benediction	Abby Castle Brockway	
Postlude	<i>Toccata on “The Strife Is O’er”</i> - Alfred V. Fedak	Christian Broughton
 		

Worship Notes: Katrina Turman is the Artistic Director of the Columbia Choirs, and is the conductor of their Bel Canto and Cantabile choirs. We are grateful for her musical leadership this morning as she leads the choir in song.

Abby Castle Brockway is a mother, artist, painter, and activist. She is a member and elder (an elected and ordained layperson) at Woodland Park Presbyterian Church. Abby was a member of the Delta 5, a group who blocked an oil train and ultimately went to trial. Notably, their court case was the first climate case allowed to try the necessity defense in the US. They were acquitted of blocking a train, but found guilty for trespassing. **Welcome, Abby!!**

Interfaith Climate Action - First Hill is a collaboration between Seattle First Baptist Church and Bet Alef Meditative Synagogue. We meet on Zoom the *fourth Sunday of each month at 6:30 p.m.* to discern how we can faithfully respond to the climate emergency. **You are INVITED to join tonight's meeting** here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9831359120>.

For the song “A Song of Our Warming Planet” (video) the composer and player is Daniel Crawford.

The scripture is from the New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition.

TODAY, immediatly following worship - You are Invited to join a Celebration and Tasting of Vegetarian and Vegan foods in Fellowship Hall. Bring a Friend!

TODAY - during coffee hour, SIGN UP TO HOST A PLACE AT THE TABLE DINNER & next Sunday, April 30. Sign-up for guests will follow on May 7 and 14. The actual dinners are on Saturday, May 20.

Saturday, April 29 The Practice of Meditation & Contemplative Prayer 9am to Noon in Fellowship Hall, with **Genjo Marinello Roshi**. A free in-person retreat. **Get registered now!** Call the Office or email front_office@seattlefirstbaptist.org

Sunday Worship, April 30 11:00am - **Genjo Marinello** preaching as our Romney speaker.

Check out our website www.seattlefirstbaptist.org to see what else is happening.