

Sermon Series: *Who Are You?*



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**Bellflower UMC**

January 21, 2024

Third Sunday After The Epiphany

## ENTRANCE

GREETINGS<sup>1</sup>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

OPENING PRAYER

PRELUDE & CANDLE LIGHTING 

3017. Come, Join the Dance of Trinity, v1,4

## PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE<sup>2</sup>

Psalm 13 & Psalm 23

O LORD, how long will you forget me? Forever?

How long will you look the other way?

**The LORD is my shepherd;**

**I have everything I need.**

**He lets me rest in green meadows;**

**he leads me beside peaceful streams.**

How long must I struggle with anguish in my soul,  
with sorrow in my heart every day?

**He restores my soul.**

**He guides me along paths of righteousness  
for the sake of his good name.**

How long will my enemy have the upper hand?

Turn and answer me, O LORD my God!

Restore the sight to my eyes, or I will die.

**Even when I walk through the dark valley of death,**

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<sup>2</sup> Christine Longhurst. *Litany of Lament & Affirmation: Experiencing God: Two Views*. Base on Psalms 13 and 23

<https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2011/06/litany-of-lament-affirmation.html>

**I will not be afraid, for you are close beside me.  
Your rod and your staff protect and comfort me.**

Don't let my enemies gloat, saying,  
"We have defeated him!"

Don't let them rejoice at my downfall.

**You prepare a feast for me  
right in front of my enemies.**

**You welcome me as a guest,  
anointing my head with oil.**

**My cup overflows with blessings.**

But I trust in your unfailing love.

I will rejoice because you have rescued me.

I will sing to the LORD

because he has been so good to me.

**Surely your goodness and unfailing love  
will pursue me  
all the days of my life,  
and I will live in the house of the LORD forever.**

**SCRIPTURE**

Genesis 22:1-14

**HYMN** 🎵🎵

2032. My Life Is in You, Lord

2153. I'm Gonna Live so God Can Use Me

**SCRIPTURE**

Matthew 10:40-42

**DISCUSSION**

**HYMN** 🎵🎵

351. Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior

**INTERCESSORY PRAYERS**

**LORD'S PRAYER - #895**

**RESPONSE** 🎵🎵

**Hear our prayer, O Lord.**

**Hear our prayer, O Lord.**

**Incline Thine ear to us,**

**and grant us Thy peace. Amen.**

# *THANKSGIVING & COMMUNION*

OFFERING & PEACE

DOXOLOGY - #95 

HOLY COMMUNION

## *SENDING FORTH*

### BLESSING

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ  
and the love of God  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all.” (2 Cor 13:14).

### POSTLUDE

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