

SPOKANE VALLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

January 4th, 2025 – Epiphany Sunday

Thank you for joining us for worship today! We invite you to sign in on our attendance pads which will be passed out during the Choir Hymn. (indicates "Please rise in body or spirit")*

Gathering Music

Welcome

Pastor Alissa

*Call to Worship – Lighting the Candles of Christmas

Georgette Rogers

O come, let us bring our gifts of peace to the Christ Child
and consider what wondrous things God has done:

The Magi who study the heavens follow a guiding star!

O come, let us bring our gifts of hope to the Christ Child
and consider what wondrous things God has done:

The peoples who live in the shadows see a glorious light!

O come, let us bring our gifts of love to the Christ Child
and consider what wondrous things God has done:

**The Christ who embodies the Word unveils the hidden plan,
making us joint heirs of the promise of salvation through the gospel!**

O come, let us bring our gifts of joy to the Christ Child
for God has done wondrous things!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

*Opening Hymn

"We Three Kings" – UMH #254

Opening Prayer for Epiphany – from *A Deacon Prays*

Zack Reiber

Announcements

Traditional Choir

"Go, Tell It On the Mountain"

Betsy Pletscher

*Greeting Time & Gloria Patri

UMH #70

Gospel Reading

Matthew 2:1-12 (CEB)

Georgette Rogers

Message

"The Gifts of Christmas"

Pastor Alissa

*Hymn of Response

"What Gift Can We Bring" – UMH #87

Invitation to the Offering

Pastor Alissa

Offertory

*Doxology

UMH #95

*Offering Prayer

Recognition of the Transition of Leadership in the Church

Pastor Alissa

The Great Thanksgiving

Follow along with the words onscreen.

Pastor Alissa & Zack Reiber

Receiving the Elements

"In the Bleak Midwinter" – UMH #206

Music During Communion

"There's a Song in the Air" – UMH #249

Prayer After Communion

"Star-Child" – TFWS #2095

Pastor Alissa

Sending Forth

Zack Reiber

Sending Forth Music

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SUNDAY NEWS

January 4

9:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
9:00 am	Children's Sunday School	Room 210
9:00 am	Nursery	Nursery

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

This month at the Connect Desk, we are collecting men's and women's socks and underwear for VOA/Crosswalk and the Young Adult Shelter. Men's boxers and women's boxers and briefs, as well as athletic and crew socks are encouraged. Adult sizes only, please. For any questions, see the Connect Desk.

Our youth are hosting a food drive through January 11th! They will be collecting cans and shelf-stable food through the month; in particular, they will create "Birthday in a bag" kits (disposable tin, cake mix, frosting, can of 7-Up, birthday candles, and a few birthday balloons). These kits allow families an easy way to celebrate each other in challenging times, allowing simple pleasures we sometimes take for granted.

Volunteers are needed for the Eastern Washington Legislative Conference at the end of the month! Sign up at the Connect Desk to help with a variety of tasks, including set-up, preparing food, greeting attendees, and directing traffic.

We need cookies for Coffee Chat! Bring any kind of cookies you'd like to eat.

Spokane Valley United Methodist Church is here to invite people to follow Jesus, love others, and transform the greater community through the grace of God.

*Love is the Spirit at Spokane Valley UMC –
we are a weapons-free and drug-free community.
Thank you for abiding by this policy and helping
to make our church a safe space for all.*

THIS WEEK

1/5 Monday

10:00 am Walkers
11:00 am Quilting group
6:30 pm Sarah Circle

1/6 Tuesday

10:00 am SPR Meeting

1/7 Wednesday

10:00 am Walkers

1/8 Thursday

9:00 am Thursday Crew
11:00 am Rachel Circle
1:00 pm Lois' Small Group

1/10 Saturday

10:00 am Choir Practice

1/11 Sunday

9:00 am Traditional Service
Liturgists: Ann Holmquist
& Lucas Price
10:00 am Coffee Chat
10:30 am Adult Sunday School

If you have a prayer request for our Prayer Team, fill out one of the cards in the pews and either place it in the plate on the back table or pass it to an usher when they come by during the choir anthem.



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