

# SPOKANE VALLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026 – Third Sunday of Easter

*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")*

**Welcome**

Pastor Alissa

**\*Call to Worship**

Drake Nance

Easter People, let it be known to you:

God has made this Jesus, whom we crucified, both Lord and Christ.

**Let us repent and turn to him, that our sins may be forgiven  
and we may receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.**

Come, let us devote ourselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,  
to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

**Praise God, whose Spirit fills our hearts  
and calls us to a life of unity and generosity!**

Let us worship the Lord together with glad and sincere hearts.

**We come to worship the Lord together and with glad and sincere hearts!**

**\*Opening Hymn**

"He Has Made Me Glad" – TFWS #2270

**Opening Prayer**

Pastor Alissa

**Announcements**

**Traditional Choir**

"Gentle Shepherd" (Gaither & Gaither)

Betsy Pletscher

**\*Greeting Time & Gloria Patri**

Zachary Bjurstrom

*At this time, Elementary-aged kids (1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade) are invited to meet our Sunday School teachers in the back if they would like to participate in Sunday School.*

**Gospel Reading**

Acts 2:14a, 36-47 (NRSVA)

Drake Nance

**Message**

"3000 New Pilgrims"

Pastor Alissa

**Hymn**

"In the Midst of New Dimensions" – TFWS #2238

**Ministry that Matters Moment: Basic Needs Program at SFCC**

Zack Reiber

**Invitation to the Offering**

Pastor Alissa

**Offertory**

Zachary Bjurstrom

**\*Doxology**

UMH #95

**\*Offering Prayer**

**Pastoral Prayer & 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 trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,  
for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

**\*Closing Hymn**

"Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service" – UMH #581

**\*Sending Forth**

Pastor Alissa

**Sending Forth Music**

Zachary Bjurstrom

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# SUNDAY NEWS

## April 19

9:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
9:00 am	Children's Sunday School	Room 210
9:00 am	Nursery	Room 202

## NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**This month at the Connect Desk**, we will be collecting staple cleaning items for the Spokane Community College Basic Needs Program. Please bring Dollar Store cleaning products like dish soap, dish cloths, oven cleaner, toilet bowl cleaner, Comet, Windex, Lysol, Ajax, steel wool pads, bath cleaner, bleach, Pine Glo, disinfectant spray & wipes, carpet cleaner, mops, and buckets. (Items can be purchased from the Dollar Store for cheaper with the same quality.)

**UWF's Book Club** will meet today at 1 PM in the Fireplace Room to discuss *Solito* by Javier Zamora. If you're interested in attending, see Robin Gregory or Madelyn Bafus.

**Pastor Alissa will be on renewal leave from April 21-26** to attend the Five-Day Academy for Spiritual Formation. She will be unavailable during that time; please forward any questions or concerns to the office.

**SVUMC's Mahan Legacy Scholarship** is available to students attending school for an undergraduate or graduate degree during the 2026-2027 academic year. Applicant must be a member or an active constituent of SVUMC. Scholarships will be for a minimum amount of \$800. Please call the church (509-924-7262) to request an application. Completed applications must be received in the church office by May 4, 2026. For any questions, please talk to Gerry Bafus.

# THIS WEEK

## 4/20 Monday

9:30 am Shirley's Group  
10:00 am Walkers  
11:00 am Quilters  
2:00 pm Nancy Larson's Group

## 4/21 Tuesday

11:00 am Touched by Cancer

## 4/22 Wednesday

9:30 am Disciple 3  
10:00 am Walkers

## 4/23 Thursday

9:00 am Thursday Crew  
1:00 pm Lois' Group

## 4/25 Saturday

10:00 am Choir Practice

## 4/26 Sunday

9:00 am Traditional Service  
Liturgist: Choir Members  
10:00 am Coffee Chat  
Nancy Larson's Small Group  
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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*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.*