

# SPOKANE VALLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026 – Seventh Sunday of Easter – *See All the People Series*

*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**

Zachary Bjurstrom

**Welcome**

Pastor Alissa

**\*Call to Worship**

Claudia Michael

With friends and strangers, with family and neighbors, we gather:

**Come among us, Healing God, with that love which never ends.**

With faith reaching out to touch, with hearts straining to trust, we hope:

**Come among us, Friend of the broken,  
heal us with your compassion which makes us whole.**

With word and wonder, with silence and song, we wait:

**Come among us, Dryer of our tears, to lift us to our feet to follow you  
and to be agents of healing in our world.**

**\*Opening Hymn**

"What A Friend We Have in Jesus" – UMH #526

**Opening Prayer**

Pastor Alissa

**Announcements**

**Traditional Choir**

"More Like You, Lord" (Jay Althouse)

Betsy Pletscher

**\*Greeting Time & Gloria Patri**

UMH #70

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**

Mark 5:21-34 (CEB)

Claudia Michael

**Message**

"See All the People: Wounded & Healing"

Pastor Alissa

**\*Hymn of Response**

"We Cannot Measure How You Heal" – W&S #3139

**Ministry that Matters Moment:** Bite2Go

Joyce Johnson

**Invitation to the Offering**

Pastor Alissa

**Offertory**

"Make Me an Instrument of Your Peace" (Jonathan Parlane)

**\*Doxology**

UMH #95

Zachary Bjurstrom

**\*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.**

**Graduation Celebration & Blessing** – Kiyah Young-Wilson

Pastor Alissa

**\*Closing Hymn**

"Sent Out in Jesus' Name" – TFWS #2184

**\*Sending Forth**

Pastor Alissa

**Sending Forth Music**

Zachary Bjurstrom

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# SUNDAY NEWS

## May 17

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 are collecting paper towels and toilet paper for Maddie's Place, a nonprofit recovery nursery for babies experiencing withdrawal due to prenatal substance exposure. Maddie's Place is the newest in our series of Ministries that Matter.

**The church office will be closed** Monday, May 25 in observance of Memorial Day.

**All women of the church are invited** to this year's United Women in Faith Lilac Luncheon on Saturday, May 30 from 11:30 am-1:30 pm in the Chapel. The program is "Protect Yourself from Fraud, Scams, and Identity Theft," brought by speakers Jan Hartman and Debby Ryan. RSVP by calling the church office or signing up at the Connect Desk.

**Join us for Pentecost Sunday on May 24** to welcome new members to SVUMC! If you're interested in joining, please talk to Margie Manfred or Pastor Alissa.

**Do you need a nametag for Sunday mornings?** Let us know on the bottom of the attendance pad if you need one, and please write your name in neat, legible print.

# THIS WEEK

## 5/18 Monday

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

## 5/19 Tuesday

10:00 am Touched by Cancer  
2:30 pm Finance  
6:30 pm Coordinating Council

## 5/20 Wednesday

9:30 am Disciple 3  
10:00 am Walkers

## 5/21 Thursday

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

## 5/23 Saturday

10:00 am Choir Practice

## 5/24 Sunday

9:00 am Traditional Service  
Liturgists: Kay Fischer  
10:00 am Coffee Chat  
Youth  
10:30 am Adult Sunday School

*If you have a prayer request for our Prayer Team, fill our 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.*



SVUMC Giving QR Code

*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.*