

SPOKANE VALLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

July 27th, 2025 – Seventh Sunday of Pentecost – The Heart of Christianity 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	Beethoven Sonata in G, Op. 49 1st Movement	Zachary Bjurstrom
Welcome		Pastor Alissa
*Call to Worship		Ann Holmquist
When we pass through the waters, God is there with us.		
When we suffer and feel hopeless, God is there with us.		
When we are joyful and celebratory, God is there with us.		
Whether we feel triumphant or defeated, God is there with us, always.		
Come, let us worship together the God who is always with us. God is here with us, always!		
*Opening Hymn	"God Is Here" – UMH #660	Zachary Bjurstrom
Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon		Pastor Alissa
Announcements		
Traditional Choir	"God of the Bible – Fresh as the Morning" (Murray & Alonso)	Betsy Pletscher & Zachary Bjurstrom
*Greeting Time & Gloria Patri	UMH #70	
Hebrew Bible Reading	Isaiah 43:1-7 (NRSVA)	Ann Holmquist
Message	"God: The Heart of Reality"	Pastor Alissa
*Hymn of Response	"Bring Many Names" – TFWS #2047	Betsy Pletscher
Ministry that Matters Moment:	Mission Community Outreach Center Shoe Drive	Ali Norris
Invitation to the Offering		
Offertory	Beethoven Sonata in G, Op. 49 2nd Movement	Zachary Bjurstrom
*Doxology	UMH #95	
*Offering Prayer		Pastor Alissa
Litany of Reception for New Members		Pastor Alissa & Zack Reiber
<i>Follow along the words onscreen.</i>		
*Closing Hymn	"How Firm a Foundation" – UMH #529	Zachary Bjurstrom
*Benediction		Pastor Alissa
*Sending Forth Music	Beethoven Sonata in G, Op. 49 1st Movement	Zachary Bjurstrom

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SUNDAY NEWS

July 27, 2025

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

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mission Community Outreach Center is hosting its 15th annual Shoe Drive this month! New athletic shoes and socks for students at Stevens Elementary School sizes Toddler 8 – Adult 12 (for students aged preschool to high school) will be collected at the Connect Desk through July. See the Connect Desk for coupons to Big 5.

Brian Cheney's Memorial Service will be held at SVUMC on August 2nd at 2pm. The Cheney family appreciates the prayers and expressions of support that they have received following the passing of Brian last month. In lieu of flowers, the family has designated a few organizations to designate memorial gifts: The Spokane Symphony, The Father Chuck Gallagher Legacy Fund for Marriage Encounter, and Spokane Valley United Methodist Church. Thank you for continuing to support the Cheney Family as they grieve Brian's loss and prepare for his celebration of life.

Sherri Robinson's Memorial Service will be held at SVUMC on August 16th at 11am with a reception to follow.

Are you interested in a weekly jump-start to your morning? Join Brian Hoyt and Amy Norton for an early morning Wednesday hike in some of Spokane County's wonderful hiking areas. We'll kick off with a local favorite: the Dishman Hills Conservation Area, at Philips Creek. The Philips Creek trails start with a gradual climb through the forest. Sections will be out in the open (sunny), and we'll finish downhill. It is likely to be hot, so cool clothing, water, and sturdy shoes are recommended. We'll plan on a relatively slow two hour round-trip hike with several stops on the way, so a basic level of fitness is also recommended. There is a port-a-potty and plenty of parking at the trailhead. When: Wednesday, July 30th. Meet at church parking lot for a departure of 7am, or at the Philips Creek trailhead at 7:10am. Departure from the trailhead is at 7:15am.

In August, SVUMC is collecting boxes of tissues and baby wipes for Broadway Elementary classrooms for the coming school year! Bring them to the Connect Desk August 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31!

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

7/28 Monday

10:00 am Prayer Shawl & Lap Blanket Ministry

7/31 Thursday

9:00 am Thursday Crew

8/3 Sunday

9:00 am Traditional Service
Liturgist: Kiyah Young-Wilson

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.



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