

# SPOKANE VALLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – Ninth 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")*

<b>Gathering Music</b>	<b>Gathering Music</b>	Zachary Bjurstrom
<b>Welcome</b>		Pastor Alissa
<b>*Call to Worship</b>		Claudia Michael
For God so loved the world...		
<b>God blessed the sparrows, the mountain lions, the fish and the people.</b>		
For God so loved the world...		
<b>God blesses us in success and failure, in sickness and health, in mediocrity and extraordinary.</b>		
For God so loved the world...		
<b>God blessed all by becoming one of us, suffering along with us, and offering new life for us.</b>		
For God so loved the world...		
<b>Let us worship God, the Fount of Every Blessing!</b>		
<b>*Opening Hymn</b>	"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" – UMH #400	Zachary Bjurstrom
<b>Opening Prayer</b> – by John Van de Laar		Pastor Alissa
<b>Announcements</b>		
<b>Special Music</b>	My Savior First of All (Crosby/Sweney)	Bruce Butler
<b>*Greeting Time &amp; Gloria Patri</b>	UMH #70	
<b>Gospel Reading</b>	John 3:1-17 (NRSVA)	Claudia Michael
<b>Message</b>	"Born Again: A New Heart"	Pastor Alissa
<b>*Hymn of Response</b>	"Change My Heart, O God" – TFWS #2152	Zachary Bjurstrom
<b>Invitation to the Offering</b>		
<b>Offertory</b>	Count Your Blessings (Oatman/Excell)	Wes Holmquist
<b>*Doxology</b>	UMH #95	
<b>*Offering Prayer</b>		Pastor Alissa
<b>*Pastoral Prayer &amp; Lord's Prayer</b>		
<b>Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.</b>		
<b>Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.</b>		
<b>Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.</b>		
<b>And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.</b>		
<b>*Closing Hymn</b>	"Freely, Freely" – UMH #389	
<b>*Benediction</b>		Pastor Alissa
<b>*Sending Forth Music</b>	<b>Sending Forth Music</b>	Zachary Bjurstrom

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# SUNDAY NEWS

## August 10

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

## NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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!

**All are invited to an Eagle Scout Presentation** in the Chapel after worship on August 10th. Ethan Amestoy and Tyler Meckel, members of our Youth Group, are both Eagle Scout candidates working on projects at Twinlow Camp this summer. Come learn more about their projects and how you can help them achieve their goal of Eagle Scout rank. Light refreshments and coffee service will be provided.

**NEW Heavenly Hikers Hiking Group** – Our first outing on July 30 was a success with 9 members, 1 pastor, and 2 dogs joining in the fun! Our next hiking adventure will be Wednesday, August 13 to the Dishman Hills Natural Area just off Appleway Dr. at 625 S. Sargent Road. This easy trail is ideal for any level of hiking experience. Dogs on leash welcome! Plan for warm weather so pack plenty of water and wear sturdy shoes. For more information, please contact Brian Hoyt – brian.alan.hoyt@gmail.com.

**Sherri Robinson's Memorial Service** will be held at SVUMC on August 16th at 11am with a lunch reception to follow. The Ross family appreciates all the prayers and expressions of support they have received over the past two weeks. To view Sherri's obituary, visit our SVUMC Facebook page. In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be given in her name to the Spokane Symphony, KSPS PBS Spokane, or the church.

**Linda Hooten's Memorial Service** will be held at SVUMC on August 23rd at 1pm with a lunch reception to follow. Everyone is welcome.

*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

## 8/11 Monday

10:00 am Prayer Shawl & Lap Blanket Meeting

## 8/12 Tuesday

9:00 am Hospitality Huddle

## 8/14 Thursday

9:00 am Thursday Crew

## 8/17 Sunday

9:00 am Traditional Service  
Liturgist: Margie Manfred

*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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