

SPOKANE VALLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

January 12th, 2024 – Second Sunday in Epiphany – *On A Mission to Love Others 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	Morning's Promise (A.M. David)	Betsy Pletscher
Welcome		Pastor Alissa
*Call to Worship		Susan Ingalls
The Divine voice bears witness to the Son.		
By the Spirit, God's love pours out upon all.		
The Son bows his head beneath the waters of the Jordan.		
By the Spirit, God's grace washes over all.		
Christ submits to John's baptism and frees us from slavery.		
By the Spirit, God's forgiveness is assured for all.		
God's love is seen to the end of the world.		
By the Spirit, God's belonging is extended to all. Alleluia!		
*Opening Hymn	"Spirit, Working in Creation" – URWB #150	
God Speaks Through the Prophet	Isaiah 43:1-7	Pastor Alissa
Announcements		
Traditional Choir	"Christ is Born, Nowell!" – <i>Night of the Father's Love</i> Cantata, Choplin	Luke Henderson
*Greeting Time & Gloria Patri	UMH #70	
Gospel Reading	Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 (NRSVA)	Susan Ingalls
Message	"Extending God's Belonging"	Pastor Alissa
*Hymn of Response	"Bring Us Home" – URWB #61	
Invitation to the Offering		Pastor Alissa
Offertory	Give Me Jesus (African American spiritual)	Betsy Pletscher
*Doxology	UMH #95	
*Offering Prayer		Pastor Alissa
Congregational Reaffirmation of Baptism		Pastor Alissa & Zack Reiber
<i>Follow along with the words onscreen.</i>		
Music During Reaffirmation	"Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters" – UMH #605	
	"Come, Let Us Use the Grace Divine" – UMH #606	
	"Wonder of Wonders" – TFWS #2247 (vs. 1-2, 4)	
Thanksgiving		
*Sending Forth		Pastor Alissa
Sending Forth Music	Song of Joy (traditional)	

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SUNDAY NEWS

January 12, 2024

9:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
9:00 am	Children's Sunday School	Room 210
9:00 am	Nursery	Nursery
10:10 am	Coffee Chat	Fellowship Hall

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

This quarter we are collecting paper products for Naomi again! Bring paper towels, toilet paper, and tissues to the Connect Desk January 12, 19, and 26. Questions? See the Connect Desk.

If you are feeling God's nudge to explore ministry opportunities, consider Lay Servant Ministries! Classes will be offered on Zoom during the first part of 2025, including courses on Lay Pastoral Care Giving, Leading Public Prayer, and Discovering Your Spiritual Gifts. You can find more information on BeADisciple.com or talk to Pastor Alissa.

Have you ever wanted to learn fly fishing? Did you used to be a fly fisher, but got out of the habit? The Spokane Fly Fishers will be teaching a fly-tying class in January and February on Thursday nights from 6 pm – 8 pm in the gym. Consider joining the group!

The office will be closed Monday, January 20th in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Hot chocolate, marshmallows, and good friends – a recipe for a perfect morning! Join us for a special Hot Chocolate Coffee Chat after the service on Sunday, January 26!

The Washington Legislative Conference will be held at our church and is an opportunity to fundraise for Mission & Service. All money raised at this event will help support our financial commitment for our covenant relationship with missionary Katherine Parker in Nepal. Sign up today to help set up tables and rooms, prepare food and cookies, greet in the parking lot and hallways, serve lunch, and help clean up after.

Pastor Alissa is headed to Morocco February 3-24 for vacation and renewal! Sue Macgrath will lead worship, provide pastoral care, and work with church leadership during that time.

THIS WEEK

1/13 Monday

9:30 am Shirley small group
10:00 am Prayer Shawl & Lap Blanket Ministry
10:00 am Walkers
6:30 pm Trustees Meeting

1/14 Tuesday

9:00 am Huddle

1/15 Wednesday

10:00 am Walkers
6:00 pm Discipleship 2

1/16 Thursday

9:00 am Thursday Crew
10:00 am Marlene Small Group
1:00 pm Lois Small Group

1/18 Saturday

10:00 am Choir Practice

1/19 Sunday

9:00 am Traditional Service
Liturgist: Kay Fischer
9:00 am Children's Sunday School and Nursery
10:00 am Coffee Chat SPR
10:30 am Adult Sunday School



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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.*