### SPOKANE VALLEY UNITED METHODIST (HURCH

April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025 - Second Sunday of Easter

Meet the Goodpeople: Wesley's Seven Ways to Share Faith 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** 

Notturno (opus no. 4 by Edvard Grieg)

Betsy Pletscher

Welcome

Pastor Alissa

\*Call to Worship

Joyce Johnson

Long ago, Christ was risen!

Then what?

The disciples clung to each other. They huddled in the upper room, waiting.

What were they waiting for? What are we waiting for?

Then Jesus himself appeared, despite the locked door, despite their disbelief.

Then what?

Then came doubts and questions, assurances and a commission:

"Peace to you. Receive the Holy Spirit. Just as the Father sent me, I send you."

Once again, Christ is risen! Now what? Do we wait around?

No! We are commissioned to share our faith in Jesus Christ!

Then may the risen Christ bless us as we worship

what we have not seen and share what we believe - that Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

\*Opening Hymn

"Christ Has Risen" - TFWS #2115

**Opening Prayer** 

Pastor Alissa

Announcements

Special Music

Kitty-Valse from Dolly (opus 5, no. 4 by Gabriel Fauré)

Kiyah Young-Wilson

\*Greeting Time & Gloria Patri

UMH #70

**Gospel Reading** 

John 20:19-29 (NRSVA)

Joyce Johnson

Message

"Stay Close to the Power"

Pastor Alissa

\*Hymn of Response

"We Walk by Faith" – TFWS #2196

Betsy Pletscher Zack Reiber

**Ministry that Matters Moment: Basic Needs** 

**Invitation to the Offering** 

Pastor Alissa

Offertory

L'Harmonie des Anges (opus 56 no. 21 by Friedrich Burgmüler)

Kiyah Young-Wilson

\*Doxology

**UMH #95** 

\*Offering Prayer

**Learning to Share Our Faith Through Prayer** 

Pastor Alissa

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

\*Closing Hymn

"Open My Eyes, That I May See" – UMH #454

\*Benediction

Pastor Alissa

Postlude

Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen (Cherwien/Strand)

Betsy Pletscher

& Kiyah Young-Wilson

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# SUNDAY NEWS

April 27, 2025

9:00 am 9:00 am 9:00 am 10:30 am Worship Children's Sunday School Nursery Adult Sunday School Sanctuary Room 210 Nursery Fellowship Hall

### NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The Youth Group is going bowling tonight** April 27 at 4:30 PM at Lilac Lanes! Meet us at the bowling alley for free games and food for youth members. RSVP with Jackie!

We are collecting paper products for Naomi through May! Bring items like paper towels, toilet paper, tissues, and other products to the Connect Desk. For questions or more information, reach out to Madelyn.

Celebrating the life of Ida Mary Remington. Join us for a special Coffee Chat reception after worship on Sunday, May 4 to honor the life of Ida Mary Remington. A graveside committal service will also be held for Ida Mary and her husband, Harold, who passed in 1995, on Wednesday, May 7 at 10:30am at the Fairmount Memorial Park (5200 W Wellesley Ave, Spokane, WA 99205). The service is open to those who wish to attend, but we do request that you let Pastor Alissa or Linda Hansen know if you are coming so we can anticipate seating needed. Memorial gifts in Ida Mary or Harold's names may be directed to Spokane Valley United Methodist Church, Shriner's Hospital, Hutton House, and SCRAPs.

**Join us in celebrating Moms this Mother's Day** with a special Muffins for Mom Coffee Chat on May 11! Bring any kind of muffin you – or your Mom – enjoys.

**The Mahan Scholarship is open** for all students who are members or active constituents of SVUMC. You can find an application packet at the Connection Point, or call the church (509-924-7262) to request an application packet to be mailed to you. Completed applications must be received by the church office by June 1, 2025. See Gerry Bafus for any questions.

**We need more cookies for Coffee Chat!** Fill the freezer with your favorite cookies, from chocolate chip to oatmeal raisin and beyond.

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

#### 4/28 Monday

9:30 am Shirley Small Group 10:00 am Walkers 10:00 am Prayer Shawl

#### 4/30 Wednesday

10:00 am Walkers 6:00 pm Discipleship 2

#### 5/1 Thursday

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

#### 5/3 Saturday

10:00 am Choir Practice

#### 5/4 Sunday

9:00 am Traditional Service Communion servers: Mary Barker & Ayako Tanaka Liturgist: Tracey Partridge 9:00 am Children's Sunday School and Nursery 10:00 am Coffee Chat Thursday Crew 10:30 am Adult Sunday School



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