

Spokane Valley United Methodist Church

March 12th, 2023 – Lent 3 – *Witness at the Cross* 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 Greeting Time. (indicates "Please rise in body or spirit")*

Gathering Music "Beautiful Savior/I Know That My Redeemer Lives" (setting by A. M. David)

Welcome

Pastor Alissa

***Call to Witness**

Peggy Self

God's people have been called to witness.

**From those who follow orders to those who give them,
all are welcome to the foot of the cross.**

God's people have been called to be reconciled to our God.

**From those who use violence to achieve their means,
to those whose use power and influence to achieve theirs,
all are welcome to turn back to God.**

God's people have been called to repent and change their hearts.

**From those who cower fearing reprisal,
to those whose carry out injustice without thought,
all are welcome to receive the mercy of God.**

Hymnsing

Wes Holmquist

Prayer of Confession

Pastor Alissa

...We stand at the foot of the cross and we witness a love that is never-ending, always self-sacrificing,
and the source of all redemption. Through Christ, you are forgiven.

Through Christ, you are forgiven. Amen.

Announcements

Pastor Alissa

Choir Anthem

"Soldiers of the Cross" – Choplin

***Greeting Time & Gloria Patri - UMH #70**

Gospel Reading – Matthew 8:5-13 (NRSVA)

Peggy Self

The Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Message

"Witness at the Cross: *The Soldiers*"

Sue Magrath

Hymn of Response

"He Is Exalted" - TFWS #2070 (sing 2x)

Invitation to the Offering

Pastor Alissa

Offertory

"We Bow Down"

Bell Choir

***Doxology**

UMH #95

***Offering Prayer**

Pastor Alissa

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Pastor Alissa

**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.**

Closing Hymn

"Would I Have Answered When You Called" - TFWS #2137

Sending Forth

Sue Magrath

Sending Forth Music

"At the Name of Jesus" (hymn tune KING'S WESTON)

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Sunday News

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9:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
9:00 am	Children's Sunday School	Room 210
9:00 am	Nursery	Nursery
10:00 am	Youth Sunday School	Youth Room
11:00 am/12:00 pm	Youth Group	Youth Room

NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

This week we start our Spokane Valley Partners Food Drive—March 12th

"Hunger Is on the Rise— But Together We Can Help Families in Need"

Items especially needed:

Granola Bars, Applesauce, Fruit Cups, Fruit snack, Fruit rollups, Ramen, Cup of Noodles, Oatmeal, Cereal, Mac & Cheese, Pop top canned soup, Pop top canned fruit, Pop top canned beans and chili, Pop top Canned meat (spam, tuna, etc.)

The First Annual Irish Sing-a-Long! Join us on Sunday 12th March 3:00-4:30 pm
45 Degrees Brewery 10421 E. Sprague Ave Spokane Valley, WA

Your very finest Irish attire suggested.

This is a no-host event for all 21 and over.

Pastor Alissa is calling for a Church Conference to be held in the Chapel on Sunday, March 19th immediately following the Worship Service. Two items of business will be presented for consideration - a motion from the Finance Team to elect an Interim Financial Secretary and a motion from the SPRC to approve the new Pastoral Accountable Reimbursement Policy. All Church Council members and Members at Large are encouraged to attend this brief Church Conference. For more information, please contact Pastor Alissa.

The Staff Parish Relations Team is seeking applications for the Coordinator of Youth Ministry. Please contact Carol Hickman, Team Leader, for information on this job opening (509) 924-2881.

Broadway Teachers Soup and Salad Luncheon—March 28th, If you would like to help, by bringing a pot of soup, a salad or cookies, Sign up at the Connect Desk Sundays—March 26

Prayer Requests

Margie Collin, Prayer Team Leader

If you would like a prayer sent to the Prayer Team, a joy or a concern, please take a prayer card from the pew racks, or the card basket in the back. The ushers will receive the cards early in the service. Prayer Requests can also be made by sending an email to prayer_svumc@yahoo.com or by phone at 509-922-8371

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This Week

03/13 Monday

9:30 a.m. Shirley Small
Group rm 115
10:00 a.m. Walkers
10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl
11:00 a.m. Quilting rm
125
11:15 a.m. Barbara Soran
Small Group
6:00 p.m. Trustees

03/14 Tuesday

12:00 a.m. Esther Circle
rm 115
2:30 p.m. Finance rm 213
6:00 p.m. Mission and
Service

03/15 Wednesday

9:00 a.m. Disciple 5
Meeting rm 115
10:00 a.m. Walkers

03/16 Thursday

9:00 a.m. Thursday Crew
1:00 p.m. Lois Small
Group Ministries FPR

03/18 Saturday

9:00 a.m. Bells Practice
10:00 a.m. Choir Practice

03/19 Sunday

Liturgist Reader:
Bruce Butler
9:00 a.m. Traditional
Service
9:00 a.m. Children's
Sunday School and
Nursery
10:00 a.m. Youth Sunday
School
10:10 a.m. Coffee Chat:
Staff Parish Relations
10:30 a.m. Adult Sunday
School
11:00/12:00 p.m. Youth
Group

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