# **Spokane Valley United Methodist Church**

March 5th, 2023 – Lent 2 – 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** 

Welcome Pastor Alissa \*Call to Witness **Georgette Rogers** 

God's people have been called to witness.

From those who stand who have been accused to those doing the accusing, all are welcome to the foot of the cross.

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

From those who feel guilty for the sins they have committed, to those who have confessed their sins and know forgiveness, all are welcome to turn back to God.

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

From those whose shame holds them back from the table of the Lord, to those whose experience of grace leads them to eat and drink, all are welcome to receive the mercy of God.

\*Opening Hymn

"Rescue the Perishing" - UMH #591

**Prayer of Confession** 

Pastor Alissa

...Through Christ, you are forgiven.

Through Christ, you are forgiven. Amen.

Announcements Pastor Alissa

**Choir Anthem** "Shine On, Great Savior" - Choplin

\*Greeting Time & Gloria Patri - UMH #70

Gospel Reading - Luke 23:39-43 (NRSVA) Georgette Rogers Pastor Alissa

Message "Witnesses at the Cross: The Other Victims"

**Hymn of Response** "Depth of Mercy" - UMH #355 (v. 1-4)

**Invitation to the Offering** Pastor Alissa

Offertory "Lyric Piece" (Edvard Grieg)

\*Doxology UMH #95 & Offering Prayer Pastor Alissa

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Pastor Alissa

... As we pour out our prayers,

pour out your mercy to answer us.

The Great Thanksgiving Pastor Alissa & Georgette Rogers Servers: Karlene Brown & Desiree Forster

The Holy Living God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

..And so, together we proclaim the praise-filled truth of your glory along with all the saints:

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory!

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

..And so, we remember and offer ourselves as we claim renewed strength for the journey and proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

**Receiving the Elements** 

**Music During Communion** "Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast" - UMH #616

"Bread of the World" - UMH #624

**Prayer after Communion Georgette Rogers Sending Forth** Pastor Alissa

**Sending Forth Music** "Lead Me, Guide Me" (American gospel tune

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#### Pastor

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# Sunday News

## March 5th, 2023

9:00 am 9:00 am 9:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am/12:00 pm

Worship Children's Sunday School Nursery Youth Sunday School

Youth Group

Sanctuary Room 210 Nursery Youth Room Youth Room

## NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

## This week we start our Spokane Valley Partners Food Drive—February 19, 26 and March 5, 12

"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 will be out of office, Tuesday March 7th through Friday March 10th to participate in the Board of Ordinated Ministry Ordination Interview Week for pastoral care needs please call the office.

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

## 03/06 Monday

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

## 03/07 Tuesday Office Closed

9:00 a.m. Huddle 10:00 a.m. SPPR 6:30 p.m. Sarah Circle

## 03/08 Wednesday

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

## 03/09 Thursday

9:00 a.m. Thursday Crew 12:00 p.m. Rachel Circle FPR 1:00 p.m. Lois Small Group Ministries FPR 3:00 p.m. Marlene Small **Group Ministries FPR** 

## 03/11 Saturday

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

03/12 Sunday Liturgist Reader: Peggy Self 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: Disciple 10:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School 11:00/12:00 p.m. Youth Group 3:00 p.m. Holy Pub

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