

# Spokane Valley United Methodist Church

March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Fourth Sunday in Lent - *Song of the Shadows* Lenten 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")*

<b>Welcome</b>	selected hymn tunes	Pastor Alissa
<b>*Call to Worship</b>		Nancy Brown
Welcome to you who call upon the name of Christ. We gather this day to recall the story of the night Jesus was betrayed. Are you prepared to go to the garden of Gethsemane with Jesus the Christ? <b>By the grace of God, we are.</b> Are you able to watch with Jesus as he prays to his Father in the night - indeed, to struggle yourselves to be in unity with God's will for you? <b>By the grace of God, we are.</b> Then let us praise God, even in this hour of witnessing the loneliness of our Lord that night. <b>God of all grace and steadfast love, greatly is your name to be praised in all the earth. Bring us to this worship of remembrance with open hearts!</b>		
<b>Hymnsing</b>		Wes Holmquist
<b>Opening Prayer</b>		Pastor Alissa
<b>Announcements</b>		Pastor Alissa
<b>Choir Anthem</b>	"And It Was Night" - Martin	Luke Henderson
<b>*Greeting Time &amp; Gloria Patri</b>	- UMH #70	
<b>Gospel Reading</b>	- Matthew 26:30-56 (NRSVA)	Nancy Brown
<b>Message</b>	"The Shadow of Loneliness"	Pastor Alissa
<b>*Hymn of Response</b>	"Abide with Me" – UMH #700	
<b>Invitation to the Offering</b>		Pastor Alissa
<b>Offertory</b>	"Ensom Vandrer" (Solitary Traveler) Edvard Grieg	
<b>*Doxology</b>	UMH #95	
<b>*Offering Prayer</b>		Pastor Alissa
<b>Prayers of the People &amp; Lord's Prayer</b>		Pastor Alissa
<b>The night is almost over, the dawn of your reign is coming.</b>		
<b>*Closing Hymn</b>	"We've A Story to Tell to the Nations" - UMH #569	
<b>*Sending Forth</b>		Pastor Alissa
<b>*Sending Forth Music</b>	"Stand Up and Bless the Lord" hymn tune ST MICHAEL	

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# Sunday News

March 10th, 2024

9:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
9:00 am	Children's Sunday School	Room 210
9:00 am	Nursery	Nursery
10:10am	Coffee Chat	Fellowship Hall
10:45 am	Confirmation Class	Youth Room

## News and Announcements

### Spokane Valley Partners Food Drive—March 10<sup>th</sup> “Hunger Is on the Rise— But Together We Can Help Families in Need”

Granola Bars, Applesauce, Fruit Cups, Fruit snacks, Fruit rollups, Ramen, Cups 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.)

**For all who have signed up, Senior Lunch Bunch, Today, Twigg's, Spokane Valley Mall, 11:45 a.m.**

**Next week it is a St. Patrick's Day Sunday**, join us next Sunday morning in your finest Irish attire. No one should have to get pinched!

**Esther Circle meets Tuesday, March 12, 12:30, in the Fireplace Room.** Note change of room. The Fireplace Room is on the second floor at the end of the hallway overlooking the lower parking lot. Program will be Madelyn Bafus speaking on United Women in Faith Missions. Sue McGovney will lead us in our yearly Pledge to United Methodist Women. If you did not receive a directory at the meeting at Christ Kitchen, please secure one at this meeting. Please respond to Nancy Ashworth whether or not you are able to attend.  
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**Inland District Choir in 2024** Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, at 4:00 p.m. Singers from around the Inland District will come together at Spokane Valley UMC to usher in Holy Week with the cantata “Song of the Shadows” by Joseph Martin. You do not have to be a member of our choir to participate! Rehearsals for singers in the northern part of the district will be held on Saturdays 10 am at Spokane Valley UMC on the following dates: March 9<sup>th</sup>, and 23<sup>rd</sup>.

### Spokane Valley United Women in Faith Dining In and Takeout Annual Easter Dinner March 23 (Saturday) from 4:00-6:00 pm

Dining in from 4:00—5:00 pm and take out from 5:00—6:00 pm  
Ham, Creamy Potato Casserole, Carrots, Cole Slaw and Roll and Easter Cake for Dessert. Adults - \$15 Children (6 – 12 years) - \$7 Children (5 and under) - Free  
**We will not be collecting money prior to the event.**  
Preorder your dining in or takeout meals and time by calling Madelyn at 509-869-8213 beginning Sunday March 17 through Friday March 22 between 9 am and 1 pm. For takeout meals, have your check (made out to SVUWF) or cash ready in a sealed envelope with your name and number of meals purchased on it. Takeout pick up will be at the back of the church by the double gym doors on Balfour. We will collect your money and return with your dinners. For dining in we will collect your money at the door

### Broadway Teachers Soup and Salad Luncheon—March 26th

If you would like to help, by bringing a pot of soup, a salad or cookies, Sign up at the Connect Desk on Sundays—March 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup>.

*Spokane Valley United Methodist Church is here to invite people to;  
follow Jesus, love other, 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

### 03/11 Monday

9:30 a.m. Shirley Small  
Group Rm 115  
10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl  
10:00 a.m. Walkers  
6:00 p.m. Trustees  
6:30 p.m. Sarah Circle FPR

### 03/13 Tuesday

12:30 p.m. Esther Circle FPR

### 03/13 Wednesday

9:00 a.m. Disciple 7 Rm 115  
10:00 a.m. Walkers  
6:00 p.m. Disciple 1 Rm 115

### 03/14 Thursday

9:00 a.m. Thursday Crew  
11:00 a.m. Rachel Circle FPR  
1:00 p.m. Lois Small Group  
FPR

### 03/16 Saturday

10:00 a.m. Choir

### 03/17 Sunday

9:00 a.m. Traditional Service  
Liturgist: Michael Cheney  
9:00 a.m. Children's Sunday  
School and Nursery  
10:00 a.m. Coffee Chat  
Prayer Shawl  
10:30 a.m. Adult Sunday  
School FPR