

# Spokane Valley United Methodist Church

May 26, 2024 – Ascension of the Lord Sunday

*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>Gathering Music</b>	Jesus, Name Above All Names (Hearn/Wilson)	Betsy Pletscher
<b>Welcome</b>		Pastor Alissa
<b>*Call to Worship</b>		Kay Fischer
	Why are we looking up to heaven? <b>Christ has come; Christ has risen; Christ will come again.</b>	
	Why are we looking ahead to the future? <b>The Holy Spirit is among us now.</b> <b>In our baptism, we have already died and risen with Christ.</b>	
	Why do we not fear death and dying? <b>God's love casts out our fear.</b>	
	Why are we not afraid to follow Jesus? <b>In Christ, we have the promise of new life now, eternal life to come.</b> <b>In Christ, we join our hearts to worship God,</b> <b>who has prepared for us to enter the reign of God.</b>	
<b>*Opening Hymn</b>	"Crown Him with Many Crowns" – UMH #327	
<b>Opening Prayer</b>		Pastor Alissa
<b>Announcements</b>		
<b>Choir Anthem</b>	His Love is Flowing Like a River (Jill Galena)	Luke Henderson
<b>*Greeting Time &amp; Gloria Patri</b>	UMH #70	
<b>New Testament Reading</b>	Acts 1:1-11 (NRSVA)	Kay Fischer
<b>Message</b>	"Ascension and Succession"	Pastor Alissa
<b>*Hymn of Response</b>	"We Are God's People" - TFWS #2220	Betsy Pletscher
<b>Ministry that Matters Moment:</b> <i>Meals on Wheels</i>		Madelyn Bafus & Jeremiah Keivy
<b>Invitation to the Offering</b>		
<b>Offertory</b>	To the Spring (Grieg)	
<b>*Doxology</b>	UMH #95	
<b>*Offering Prayer</b>		
<b>Pastoral Prayer &amp; the Lord's Prayer</b>		
	...We ask this in his name and offer to him the prayer he taught us to pray saying: <b>Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.</b> <b>Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.</b> <b>Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive our trespasses,</b> <b>as we forgive those who trespass against us.</b> <b>And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,</b> <b>for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.</b>	
<b>*Closing Hymn</b>	"Lead On, O King Eternal" - UMH #580	
<b>*Sending Forth</b>		
<b>Sending Forth Music</b>	Wonderful Words of Life (P. Bliss)	

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# Sunday News

## May 26, 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

**It is time once again to fill the freezer** with your favorite cookies for Coffee Chat. Bring any kind of cookie you like – sugar cookies, peanut butter cookies, even oatmeal raisin! For questions, visit the Connect Desk.

**The Spokane Valley United Women of Faith** invites all the women of the church to a luncheon on June 1<sup>st</sup> from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm where we will have an informative presentation "Building Bridges Through Differences" by our very own Pastor Alissa Amestoy, Zach Reiber, and Ali Norris. Cost is by donation. Please RSVP by May 26<sup>th</sup> at the Connect Desk or to Madelyn Bafus (509-869-8213).

**Mission & Service is once again hosting the Broadway Elementary Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast** coming up in June. If you want to help serve breakfast and clean up afterward, you can sign up this Sunday at the Connect Desk.

**Special Worship Service on Pentecost Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>!** After eight months of study, prayer, and discernment, several youth members of our congregation have chosen to confirm their faith in Jesus Christ through baptism and a liturgy of confirmation. Please join us for worship as we witness their confession of faith, receive communion from them, and enjoy a special Coffee Chat in their honor. This special Pentecost service will offer a bit of the "Confirmation Class" experience as we seek answers to the question, "Is the Holy Spirit a wind, a fire, or what?" **You are encouraged to wear RED!**

**Interested in growing your relationship with Christ?** Sign ups for the next Disciple 2 class begin next Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Connect Desk with Madelyn Bafus.

## This Week

### 05/27 Monday

Office closed for Memorial Day

### 05/29 Wednesday

10:00 am Walkers

### 05/30 Thursday

9:00 am Thursday Crew  
10:00 am Marlene Small Group FPR  
12:00 pm 55+ Luncheon  
1:00 pm Lois Small Group FPR

### 06/01 Saturday

10:00 am Choir  
11:30 am UWF General Meeting

### 06/02 Sunday

9:00 am Traditional Service  
Liturgist: Confirmands  
9:00 am Children's Sunday School and Nursery  
10:00 am Coffee Chat: Confirmands



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**10 am – 2 pm M-F**

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*Spokane Valley United Methodist Church is here to invite people to follow Jesus, love one another, 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.*