

# SPOKANE VALLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 – 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost – *While We Wait...* 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 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")*

<b>Gathering Music</b>	Fill My Cup, Lord (Blanchard/Bock)	Betsy Pletscher
<b>Welcome</b>		Pastor Alissa
<b>*Call to Worship</b> – from 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8		Nancy Brown
We do not gather in vain, for God is working in our hearts.		
<b>The love of Jesus Christ calls us together.</b>		
Our worship strengthens and empowers us to share the gospel.		
<b>The love of Jesus Christ shines in our lives.</b>		
Proclaim the good news with boldness.		
<b>The love of Jesus Christ is at work in the world!</b>		
<b>*Opening Hymn</b>	"Lord, God, Your Love Has Called Us Here" – UMH #579 (vs. 1, 3, & 5)	
<b>Opening Prayer</b>		Pastor Alissa
<b>Announcements</b>		
<b>Traditional Choir</b>	"The Church Within Us"	Luke Henderson
<b>*Greeting Time &amp; Gloria Patri</b>	UMH #70	
<b>Epistle Reading</b>	1 Thessalonians 2:9-13 (NRSVA)	Nancy Brown
<b>Message</b>	"While We Wait... We Witness"	Pastor Alissa
<b>*Hymn of Response</b>	"The Spirit Sends Us Forth To Serve" – TFWS #2241	
<b>Invitation to the Offering</b>		
<b>Offertory</b>	Jesus, Remember me (Berthier)	
<b>*Doxology</b>	UMH #95	
<b>Offering Prayer</b>		Pastor Alissa
<b>Litany of Reception for New Members</b>		Pastor Alissa & Zack Reiber
<i>Follow along with the words on screen.</i>		
<b>*Closing Hymn</b>	"O Church of God, United" – UMH #547	
<b>*Sending Forth</b>		
<b>Sending Forth Music</b>	Come, Thou Found of Every Blessing (hymn tune NETTLETON)	

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# SUNDAY NEWS

## September 22, 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

**SVUMC is collecting beanies, gloves, socks, brown sugar, and pancake syrup** for Shalom Ministries through the month of September. You can bring these items to the Connect Desk; for more information, see Madelyn Bafus.

**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.

**We're gearing up for small groups** in September! See the Connection Point wall for adult education and small groups information.

**Join us for our 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> for a Singing Celebration Sunday! Reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall.

**We will be collecting candy for Trunk or Treat** beginning Sunday October 6<sup>th</sup> at the Connect Desk.

**Be careful as you join us for service in the coming weeks!** The ongoing construction on Sprague Avenue can be a headache to navigate. The easiest way to get to church these days is from University to Main or Herald to Main.

*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.*

# THIS WEEK

## 09/23 Monday

9:30 am Shirley Porter  
small group  
10:00 am Walkers  
10:00 am Prayer Shawl &  
Lap Blanket Ministry  
3:30 pm Nancy Larson  
small group

## 09/24 Tuesday

9:00 am Huddle

## 09/25 Wednesday

10:00 am Walkers  
6:00 pm Discipleship 2

## 09/26 Thursday

9:00 am Thursday Crew  
10:00 am Marlene small  
group  
1:00 pm Lois small group

## 09/27 Friday

## 09/28 Saturday

10:00 am Choir

## 09/29 Sunday

9:00 am Traditional Service  
Liturgist: Cliff Maxey  
9:00 am Children's Sunday  
School and Nursery  
10:00 am Coffee Chat:  
Rachel Circle  
10:30 am Adult Sunday  
School



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