SPOKANE VALLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

November 8th, 2026 – 24th Sunday after Pentecost – Stewardship Series: *Love Boldy*

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")*

Gathering Music Zachary Bjurstrom

Welcome Pastor Alissa

***Call to Worship** Alex Nilles

Family of God, who are you?

We are disciples formed in the image of Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit.

Family of God, how does Jesus form you?

By loving us and showing us how to love.

Family of God, how does the Holy Spirit empower you?

By loving us and inspiring us to love others as Christ loves us.

Family of God, on this journey of faith, we are not alone - God is with us!

We come to worship God, who shows us how to love and calls us to boldly love God and neighbor, that we may be disciples of Jesus Christ who transform the world. Amen.

***Opening Hymn** "Come Let's Join & Be Transformed" (Jonathan Parlane) Zachary Bjurstrom

Opening Prayer Pastor Alissa

Announcements

Traditional Choir I Thank You, Jesus (Kenneth Morris) Betsy Pletscher

***Greeting Time & Gloria Patri** UMH #70 Zachary Bjurstrom

At this time, Elementary-aged kids (1st-5th grade) are invited to meet our Sunday School teachers in the back if they would like to participate in Sunday School.

Gospel Reading Matthew 22:34-40 (NRSVA) Traci Richmond

Message "Love Boldly" Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth

***Hymn of Response** "Lord, I Want to be a Christian" – UMH #402 Zachary Bjurstrom

Invitation to the Offering Pastor Alissa

Offertory Zachary Bjurstrom

***Doxology** UMH #95

***Offering Prayer**

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.

***Sending Hymn** "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" – TFWS #2153 Zachary Bjurstrom

***Sending Forth** Pastor Alissa

Sending Forth Music Zachary Bjurstrom

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SUNDAY NEWS

November 8

9:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
9:00 am	Children's Sunday School	Room 210
9:00 am	Nursery	Room 202
10:30 am	Adult Sunday School	Room 115

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

At the Connect Desk in November, we'll be collecting boys' and girls' pants and shirts for MCOC's Children's Christmas Joy event! Clothing from sizes infant through 6th grade is welcome; long sleeve shirts and pants sized 10-12 are especially needed.

The final Cinnamon Roll Sale of the year is today! Join us after service today in the gym for a special Coffee Chat featuring the last Cinnamon Roll Sale of 2026. All proceeds will go to supporting the Jamaa Letu Orphanages in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

The church office will be closed Wednesday, November 11 in observance of Veteran's Day.

The Annual Dine In & Takeout Harvest Dinner is Saturday, November 14! Join us for a delicious dinner of turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans with bacon, cranberries, rolls and butter, and pumpkin cake. You can pre-order your dine-in or takeout meals and time by calling Madelyn Bafus at 509-869-8213 from Sunday, November 8 to Friday, November 13 between 9:00 am-1:00 pm. Adults' meals are $15; children 6-12 years are $7; and children 5 & younger eat for free! For takeout meals, have your check or cash ready in a sealed envelope with your name; takeout pickup will be at the back of the church by the double gym doors. For dining in, we'll collect your money at the door.

***Walking in Grace* devotionals are sold out!** If you missed out on getting your own copy, it's not too late to order one. See Shirley Porter at the Connect Desk through November 15 to order a copy; it comes in hardback and paperback regular print, as well as large print. The cost for both is $20.

SVUMC has an app! If you've ever wanted to check the church's calendar on the go, submit a prayer request, or watch a Sunday service you missed, you can do all that and more with our app. Search for "Spokane Valley UMC" in the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store, or scan the QR codes provided in the announcements slide. Have questions about the app? Call the church office at 509-924-7262 or email Mackenzie at secretary@spokanevalleychurch.org.

Spokane Valley United Methodist Church is here to invite people to follow Jesus, love others, 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

11/9 Monday
9:30 am Shirley's small group (115)
10:00 am Prayer Shawl & Lap Blanket Ministry (123)
2:00 pm Nancy Larson's small group (201)
6:30 pm Trustees (FPR)

11/10 Tuesday
9:00 am Huddle (213)
12:30 pm Esther Circle (115)

11/11 Wednesday
Office Closed

11/12 Thursday
9:00 am Thursday Crew
11:00 am Rachel Circle (FPR)
1:00 pm Lois' small group (115)

11/14 Saturday
9:30 am Choir Rehearsal (Chapel)
4:00 pm Annual Dine In & Takeout Harvest Dinner (gym)

11/15 Sunday
9:00 am Traditional Service
Liturgist: Nancy Moore
10:00 am Coffee Chat
Trustees

Livestream notice:
Our Sunday worship services at Spokane Valley UMC are live-streamed so our homebound members and online community can join us. By sitting on the Chancel or in the front six pews, you acknowledge that you may be filmed and/or photographed. Images and audio may be published on our website, social media, and streaming platforms. For more information, contact Pastor Alissa.

Prayer Requests:
If you have a prayer request for our Prayer Team, fill out one of the cards in the pews and either place it in the plate on the back table or pass it to an usher when they come by during the choir anthem.