

A Few of my Favorite Things



First Church
First United Methodist Church of Seattle

First United Methodist Church of Seattle is a progressive faith community offering a place to grow spiritually and a refuge of inclusive Christianity. We use our voices and energy to advocate for persons on society's margins and for all God's creation.

First United Methodist Church of Seattle
180 Denny Way Seattle, WA 98109

July 21, 2024
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

- GATHERING -

Prelude TFWS 2232 *Come Now, Prince of Peace (O So-So)*

Tess Altiveros, soprano; Elisabeth Ellis, pianist

* Call to Worship (Source: *enfleshed*) Barbara Moreland

The Spirit of Christ is full of wisdom:

**She moves toward us when we are
unwell.**

**She blesses our learning and our
unlearning,**

She makes a way for us to rest.

**She is not overwhelmed by the work to
be done.**

Come, Spirit of Christ, live among us,

**Wisdom and Compassion dwell in our
hearts.**

The Spirit of Christ overflows with
compassion:

* Opening Hymn Worship and Song 3152 "Welcome" - Mark Miller

* Passing of the Peace Barbara Moreland

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Jackie Celin

Land Acknowledgement Barbara Moreland

- CENTERING -

Lighting the Community Candle Barbara Moreland

Whoever you are, wherever you find yourself today,
across the spectrum of human existence, sexuality, identity, ability, or privilege;
in a world full of questions, doubts, and a climate in crisis;
may this community be a place of companionship and healing for you.
Know this: There is nothing that can separate you from God's all-embracing love.
Christ invites you – Christ invites us – to find him in worship and celebration today.

Special Music *We Are Not Alone* - Pepper Choplin
Sanctuary Choir; Cary Lee, soloist; Elisabeth Ellis, director

Prayers of the People Barbara Moreland

Prayer Response TFWS 2200 *O Lord, Hear My Prayer* sung 2X

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer
When I call, answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer.
Come and listen to me.

Celebration of an Appointment

SPRC Chair, Jane Gregg

- PROCLAIMING -

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 23 (NRSVUE)

Nickie Askov

New Testament Reading

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56 (NRSVUE)

Violet Boyer

This is the word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Christ is our Peace

Rev. Wongee Joh

- RESPONDING -

Invitation to the Offering

Barbara Moreland

Offertory

Shall Not Want - Maverick City Music, arr. Grant Wall
Tess Altiveros, soloist; Elisabeth Ellis, pianist

*** Offering Response**

TFWS 2058 "Shepherd me O God" sung 2X

Shepherd me, O God,
beyond my wants, beyond my fears,

from death into life.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Rev. Wongee Joh & Pastor Jackie Celin

****The Lord's Prayer:**

Our God, 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.

Call to Discipleship

Rev. Jackie Celin

- SENDING -

*** Closing Hymn**

UMH 529 "How Firm a Foundation"

Blessing and Sending

Rev. Wongee Joh

Postlude

Improvisation on "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" Elisabeth Ellis, organist

**All may stand as able.*

***You are invited to use the translation of the Lord's Prayer with which you are most comfortable. Our Thanks to Those Helping in Worship: Lay Worship Leader, Barbara Moreland; Reader, Nickie Askov; Reader, Violet Boyer; Communion Steward, Violet Boyer; Greeter, Beth Snyder; Music, Elisabeth Ellis; Audio-Visual Operator, Laura Celin*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome Reception for Pastor Wongee: Join us after service on July 21st in the narthex to welcome Pastor Wongee!

Game Night - Reuben's Brews (Fremont): On July 30 at 7pm, bring your favorite board game or join in with others as we enjoy food, fun, fellowship, and either competition or collaboration (depending on the game). All are welcome! Sign Up on our website under Events.

Thank you for your offerings and Communication Cards! You can drop them in the offering plate or make a gift online by using the QR code with your smartphone, or at FirstChurchSeattle.org/give

ABOUT US



We're called "First Church" because we are Seattle's first congregation, established in 1853. We cherish our place in Seattle's past, present, and future. First Church is a proud member of the **Reconciling Ministries Network**, a community "*committed to intersectional justice across and beyond the United Methodist connection, working for the full participation of all LGBTQ+ people throughout the life and leadership of the Church.*"

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