



**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.

**- GATHERING -**

**Prelude**

***Voluntary on Trust in Jesus***

by William J. Kirkpatrick, arr. by Charity Book Putnam Don Crawley, pianist

**\* Call to Worship** (*Source: Adapted from Lillian C. Smith, The Africana Worship Book*) Claire Gebben

One voice: Jesus is in our midst. Jesus, our healer, deliverer, and friend, is here.

**Many voices: We have heard so many good things about him, but we long to meet him, to encounter him ourselves.**

One voice: Call out to him, and do not be silent. Like Bartimaeus, shout to him and do not allow anyone to silence your voice. Cry out and tell Jesus what you need!

**Many voices: Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on us! We need a touch from you! Touch me; touch us in our need, which we lift right now in our hearts!**

One Voice: In this time of worship, celebrate God's goodness! In this time celebration of worship, know that Jesus touched your place of need. Hallelujah! Amen!

**\* Opening Hymn** UMH 454 "Open My Eyes, That I May See"

**\* Passing of the Peace**

Claire Gebben

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

**Welcome and Announcements**

Rev. Jackie Celin

**Land Acknowledgement**

Claire Gebben

**- CENTERING -**

**Lighting the Community Candle**

Claire Gebben

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.  
There is nothing that can separate us from God's all-embracing love.  
Christ invites you – Christ invites us – to find him in worship and celebration today.

**Special Music**

**Walk By Faith**

Sanctuary Choir; Glenn Gregg, pianist; Wally Shaffer, percussion

**Prayers of the People**

Claire Gebben

**Prayer Response**                      **UMH 349 “ Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”**

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,  
Look full in His wonderful face,  
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,  
In the light of His glory and grace. *(repeat)*

**- PROCLAIMING -**

**Old Testament Reading 1**                      **Psalm 34:1-8**                      **Greg Wallace**

**New Testament Reading 2**                      **Mark 10:46-52**                      **Craig Sheppard**

This is the word of Life.  
Thanks be to God.

**Sermon**                      **Shouting Out, Calling From, Following Forward**                      **Rev. Jackie Celin**

**- RESPONDING -**

**Invitation to the Offering**                      **Claire Gebben**

**Offertory**                      *His Eye is on the Sparrow*  
Tess Altiveros, soloist; Don Crawley, pianist

**\* Prayer of Dedication**                      **Rev. Wongee Joh**

**\* Communion Hymn**                      **TFWS 2260 “Let Us Be Bread”**

Let us be bread, blessed by the Lord,  
broken and shared, life for the world.

Let us be wine, love freely poured.  
Let us be one in the Lord.

**The Sacrament of Holy Communion**                      **Rev. Wongee Joh and Barbara Moreland**

**The Prayer of Jesus**

Our God who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kin-dom 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 -**

**Call to Discipleship**                      **Rev. Jackie Celin**

**\* Closing Hymn**                      **TFWS 2130 “The Summons”**

**Benediction**                      **Rev. Jackie Celin**

**Postlude**                      **Tocatta in d Minor, by J.S. Bach**                      **Don Crawley, organist**

*\*Please stand as you are able, body and spirit*

*\*\*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, Claire Gebben, Reader, Greg Wallace; Reader, Craig Sheppard; Communion Steward, Peter Jabin; Greeter, Teresa Benedict; Audio-Visual Operator, Laura Celin*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**MPC Advocacy Opportunity:** Our Urban Outreach Team is part of the Meal Partnership Coalition (MPC) in Seattle that works each and every day to ensure that Seattle meal providers have the resources needed to serve nutritionally dense, culturally, gender, and age appropriate meals to those in our community who would otherwise go hungry. We encourage your involvement with this advocacy effort within our city, to help support the important work of our food ministry program, Shared Breakfast. Reach out to Rev. Jackie Celin if you would like to help advocate for emergency food services funding in the City of Seattle budget.

**All Saints' Day | Nov. 3:** During our service on November 3rd, the names of people who have been lost in the past year (November 2023–October 2024) will be read out loud. If you would like to submit names for remembrance, please use the qr code to the right or submit the first and last name(s) to [office@firstchurchseattle.org](mailto:office@firstchurchseattle.org) by Wednesday, October 30, 2024.



**Get to know Pastor Wongee:** Pastor Wongee is doing a series of meet-and-greets in small groups at congregants homes. Sign up for dinners in October and November! Don't worry if you can't make it in person, there will be digital gatherings for those who can't make it in person.



**Need a Nametag?:** Please scan the qr code and submit a request to receive a nametag! Once you fill out the request, you'll find your nametag on the welcome table in the Narthex.



**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](https://FirstChurchSeattle.org/give)



## ABOUT US

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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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