



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 *Holy, Holy, Holy* *arranged by Elisabeth Ellis, pianist*

*** Call to Worship** **Kathryn Everett**

Holy Compassion—
Make our thoughts like Your thoughts.

Holy Rest—
Flow Your peace through our bodies.

Holy Wisdom—
Align our actions with Your actions.

Holy Justice—
Animate Your dreams with our living.

Holy Love—
Breathe Your Breath through our lungs.

***Opening Hymn** **UMH #557 “Blest Be the Tie That Binds”**

*** Passing of the Peace** **Kathryn Everett**

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

Welcome and Announcements **Rev. Jackie Celin**

Land Acknowledgement **Kathryn Everett**

- CENTERING -

Lighting the Community Candle **Kathryn Everett**

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 ***O God Beyond All Praising***
Sanctuary Choir; Elisabeth Ellis, pianist and director

Prayers of the People **Kathryn Everett**

Prayer Response**TFWS#2224 “Make Us One”**

Make us one, Lord, make us one;
Holy Spirit, make us one.

Let our love flow so the world will know
we are one in you.

Gospel Reading**John 17: 20-23****Teresa Benedict****Gospel Reading****John 17: 23-26****Bruce Hall**

This is the word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

End of Ministry Year Celebration**Introduction****Rev. Wongee Joh****Words of Gratitude****Rev. Jackie Celin****End of Year Celebrations Video****Annual Report Highlights**

- RESPONDING -

Invitation to the Offering**Kathryn Everett****Offertory Music*****Sing, O My Soul - Nilo Alcala***

~ performed in Tagalog, in continued celebration of AAPI Heritage Month ~

Tess Altiveros, soloist; Elisabeth Ellis, pianist

Doxology***UMH #95 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow***

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*** Prayer of Dedication****Rev. Wongee Joh****The Sacrament of Holy Communion****Rev. Wongee Joh & D.S. Rev. Derek Nakano****Call to Discipleship****Rev. Jackie Celin*****Closing Hymn****WS#3003 How Great Is Our God****Benediction****D.S. Rev. Derek Nakano****Postlude*****Voluntary in G Major - John Alcock*****Elisabeth Ellis, organist**

**Please rise in body or 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: Worship Leader, Kathryn Everett; Readers, Teresa Benedict, Bruce Hall; Communion Steward, Peter Jabin; Communion Celebrant, D.S. Rev. Derek Nakano; Front Door Greeter, Beth Snyder; Audio-Visual Operator, Laura Celin*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Spiritual Practice of Social transformation with Dan Wolpert: In his revelatory new book *Looking Inward, Living Outward*, popular spiritual leader Daniel Wolpert calls us back to a life of prayer and twelve specific spiritual practices that re-orient our gaze outward in acts of social transformation. Join us before worship for a four part series: The Spiritual Practice of Social Transformation. Scan the QR code to register!



Open Mic | June 5th at 7PM: Join us for Open Mic Night at First Church! Friday evening, June 5th, at 7pm, in collaboration with Seattle University. If you'd like to be added to the performer's list, please contact Elisabeth, our Director of Music, at elisabeth@firstchurchseattle.org. This event is open to the public, and a free-will donation will be gathered to benefit the First Church Music Program.

Pentecost | June 8: Pentecost is coming up soon, on Sunday, June 8th. Pentecost is the day the Christian church commemorates the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles and others assembled in Jerusalem. It marks the beginning of the Christian church and the proclamation of its message throughout the world and is often referred to as the birthday of the church. It is a day of celebration for all that God has done and is doing within the life of the church. We invite you to come wearing red, or other flame colors. Start planning your outfit now!

Pride 2025 | June 29: Join us for Pride Sunday worship at 10:00 am on June 29 (note the time change for this Sunday only!). Scan the QR code to learn more.



Calling All Seniors! Is your youth graduating from high school this year? If so, please contact Pastor Jackie (jackie@firstchurchseattle.org) so that we can recognize them in our worship service on June 22nd. If your child has another type of educational milestone this year, such as a 5th or 8th grade promotion, or graduation from a college program, please also contact me so that they can be recognized as well.

Connect with us!



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Need a nametag?



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."