

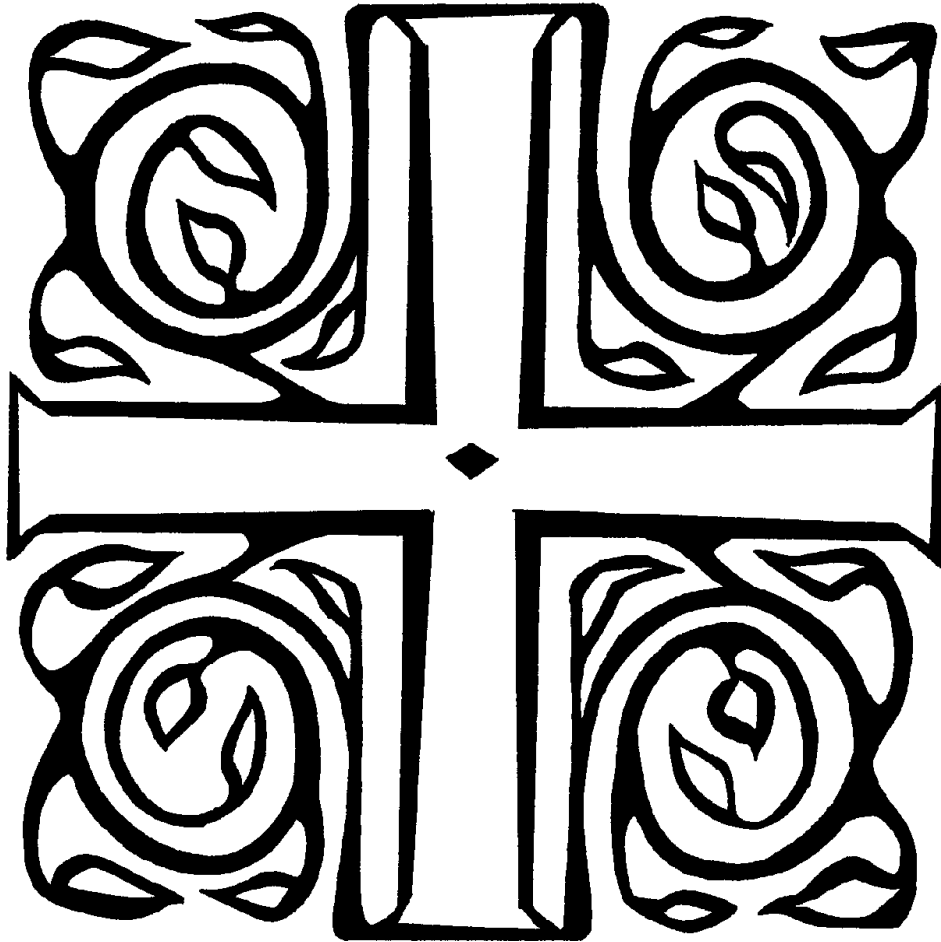
St. John United Lutheran Church Seattle, WA

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Season of Easter

10:30 AM

Service of the Word



Whether you're joining us in-person or online, it is good to be joined together as one body to worship God this morning. Whether visiting or returning, you are a precious member of this gathering. We give thanks for you!

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COVID Protocols:

Masking is optional, unless you are not fully vaccinated. In that case, we strongly encourage you to remain masked. We are currently operating under the **Green Phase**, and using the **Honor System Protocols** for Sunday worship. Which phase we are in is dictated by King County Public Health key indicators. Be advised that changes may be advised after the printing of this bulletin and if so, they will be announced in worship.

We're live! Our service is simultaneously streamed to YouTube: SJU by the Zoo. The rear of the sanctuary is not visible on the livestream. Our service goes live at approximately 10:30am.

Children and their movements and sounds are welcome! **Coloring pages** are available in the rear of the sanctuary and the lounge is available for stretching and play.

An asterisk (*) before a heading signals an invitation to stand, in body or spirit. Words in **bold print** are meant to be spoken by the assembly.

Welcome Statement - The community of St. John United Lutheran Church welcomes all persons into membership, leadership and full participation in the life of our community without regard to gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, race, age, ability, economic status, illness, or other human conditions. We affirm that Jesus Christ has entrusted the ministry of reconciliation and healing to the Church. We commit ourselves to racial equity and actively seek to include all who have felt excluded or alienated. We see you and affirm who you are.

Land Acknowledgement - We respectfully acknowledge that our church, St John United, and many of our homes are on the unceded land of the Duwamish people, the first stewards of this land who are still here and continue to acknowledge their ancient heritage.

Prelude

Welcome

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

*Thanksgiving for Baptism

Alleluia! Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

In the waters of baptism,

we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ,
and we are a new creation.
For this saving mystery, and for this water, let us bless God,
who was, who is, and who is to come.

We thank you, God, for your river of life,
flowing freely from your throne:
through the earth,
through the city,
through every living thing.

You rescued Noah and his family from the flood;
You opened wide the sea for the Israelites.
Now in these waters you flood us with mercy,
and our sin is drowned forever.
You open the gate of righteousness
and we pass safely through.

In Jesus Christ, you calm and trouble the waters.
You nourish us and enclose us in safety.
You call us forth and send us out.
In lush and barren places, you are with us.
You have become our salvation.

Now breathe upon this water
and awaken your church once more.
Claim us again as your beloved and holy people.
Quench our thirst; cleanse our hearts; wipe away every tear.
To you, our Beginning and our End,
our Shepherd and Lamb,
be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving,
now and forever.
Amen.

***Gathering Hymn: See Insert**

***Greeting**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God
and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.
And also with you.

*Kyrie

Refrain

Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.

For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all;
for this holy house, for all who worship and praise,
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. *Refrain.*

That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor;
that we may live out truth and justice and grace,
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. *Refrain.*

For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family;
for life and for love, for our work and our play,
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. *Refrain.*

For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word;
that you nourish our souls with your body and blood,
let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord. *Refrain.*

*Prayer of the Day

Let us pray,

Eternal and all-merciful God, with all the angels and all the saints we laud your majesty and might. By the resurrection of your Son, show yourself to us and inspire us to follow Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us through scripture, preaching and song.

First Reading, Psalm, Second Reading: See insert

*Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Holy Gospel: See insert

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: See insert

*Prayers of Intercession

*Peace

Please use low or no-contact greetings. You may also stop by the camera station to pass the peace visually to those watching the livestream from home.

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

Announcements

Offering

Offertory

*Thanksgiving for the Word

O God of justice and love, we give thanks to you that you illuminate our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, awaken us to the needs of others, and at the end bring all the world to your feast; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever. **Amen.**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us forth to carry out God's mission.

*Blessing

God, the Author of life,
Christ, the living Cornerstone,
and the life-giving Spirit of adoption,
✠ bless you now and forever.
Amen.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.
Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

*Sending Hymn: See Insert

Invitation to Fellowship & Dismissal

Go in peace. Tell what God has done. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

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You may donate by placing your gift in the offering plate, mailing or delivering it to the church office or by clicking the red DONATE button in our website.

To offer time or talent, contact any member of our staff. From singing in the choir or folding bulletins to checking doors in the evening or serving on a committee, we can find ways for everyone to be involved. We co-create this community to keep it vital and appreciate you!

How can you help on Sundays?

Pitch in with Your Fellowship Hour Group Host

Volunteers pitch in together to host post-worship social time with light refreshments. You can help by finding which group you fit into and then simply bringing a treat and jumping in to help. For more information, contact victoria@stjohnunited.org or check out the sign posted in the kitchenette.

1st Sunday: Last names starting with letters A-G

2nd Sunday: Last names starting with letters F-J

3rd Sunday: Last names starting with letters K-O

4th Sunday: Last names starting with letters P-Z

Sing in the Church Choir or Play in the Band

Singers old and new are always welcome to join the church choir. All you have to do is jump in and sing when you're able. A quick rehearsal takes place before worship, at around 10am in the sanctuary. On the fourth Sunday of each month, instead of a choir, instrumentalists are invited to play in the worship band. For more information and to get on the email list, contact Nathan at doublenorwich@hotmail.com. Music is sent out in the week before, for those who wish to review the music before Sunday.

Read in Worship

The pastor will ask for volunteers right before worship to read the lessons from the mic. All you have to do is speak up or raise your hand! The psalm is usually read responsively, with the reader speaking all verses and congregation reading the bold parts. Readings are listed in the weekly email, for those who wish to review them in advance.

Usher and Greet

Ushers help foster a safe and welcoming environment. These volunteers play a critical role in supporting our worship leaders and assembly. Plus, it's fun! You get to meet people, become more familiar with the building and move your body a little more in worship.

Ushers do things such as:

- Open and close windows, turn ceiling fans on and off
- Greet people and hand out bulletins in the narthex
- Assist visitors in finding a place to sit and in meeting others
- Count attendance and fill out report card
- Pass the offering plates and bring to the front of the sanctuary

If you're curious and want to give ushering a try, contact Mark Lee or victoria@stjohnunited.org.

Find Us on Social Media:

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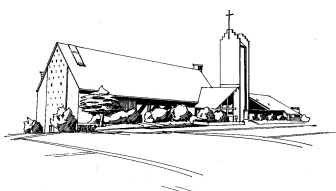
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TUES - FRI 9am – 3pm

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