

She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. **Proverbs 31:26**

They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. **Psalms 1:3**

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? **James 3:4**

“Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.” **Mark 9:37**

Preacher

Rev. Gusti Linnea Newquist

Song Leader

Brad Toole

Accompanist

Georgiann Toole

Assistant

Debbie Romano

Tech Crew

Bill Howard
Mark Nutwell
Pete Spreen

THE FONT OF IDENTITY

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+Introit

Piano intro

Sing – Song Leader

Sing – Song Leader; Hum – congregation

Hum – all

*Raise a song of gladness, peoples of the earth,
Christ has come, bringing peace, joy to every heart.*

Alleluia, alleluia, joy to every heart!

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Proclamation

In life and death we belong to God.

Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,

we trust in the one triune God,
whom alone we worship and serve.

Call to Prayer

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Prayer

+Response

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Prayer for Wholeness

Beloved Lord, Almighty God,

Through the rays of the sun,

Through the waves of the air,

Through the all-pervading life in space;

Purify and revivify us

And we pray, heal our bodies, hearts, and souls.

Amen.

Declaration of Grace & Gratitude

***Alleluia**

Blessing the World

India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka

First Pew From a Distance

+Response 487

“These Treasured Children”

v. 1: Song Leader

v. 4: Spoken (congregation)

*Come, Holy Spirit, help us be a nurturing community;
empower us to realize God’s kin-dom through our children’s eyes*

v. 5 Song Leader

Welcome and Parish Life

THE WORD OF HOPE

Reading

Interlude

Lesson

Exodus 23:10-11; Deuteronomy 15, selected verses

Sermon

“The Divine Re-Alignment”

***+Response**

“How Firm a Foundation”

THE BREAD OF LIFE

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Prayer for Others

Remembering Antietam

Offering Our Gifts

Offertory

Litany of Farewell

***Acclamation**

With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

***+Sending Hymn**

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Sometimes, you need to step outside, get some air, and remind yourself of who you are and who you want to be.

And suddenly you just know it’s time to start something new and trust the magic of beginnings.

We must be humbled (a few times) in this life. I consider it a soul realignment. **Rhee Gold**

Don’t reinvent the wheel, just realign it.

Anthony J. D’Angelo

Affirmation

Who Was Jesus?
A Teacher of The Way!

Opening Prayer

Chinook Prayer

Prayer for Wholeness

Inayat Khan

**Please rise in body and spirit.*

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+Hymns

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Sunday, September 19 • 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Proverbs 31:10-31; Psalm 1; James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a; Mark 9:30-37

8:30 a.m. Early Service at Morgan's Grove Park Pavilion

11:00 a.m. Service of Worship - Sanctuary and Facebook Live!

Tuesday, September 21

5:30 p.m. Mission Committee in the balcony

7:00 p.m. Teach the Preacher via Zoom

7:00 p.m. Stewardship Committee Project at SPC

Wednesday, September 22

3:30 p.m. Staffing Model Task Force via Zoom

7:00 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting via Zoom

Thursday, September 23

7:00 p.m. Nominating Committee Meeting via Zoom

Friday, September 24

12:00 p.m. Gathering Space for Prayer - Portico and via Zoom

Sunday, September 26 • 26th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22; Psalm 124; James 5:13-20; Mark 9:38-50

8:30 a.m. Early Service at Morgan's Grove Park Pavilion

11:00 a.m. Service of Worship - Sanctuary and Facebook Live!

THE DIVINE RE-ALIGNMENT: Sabbatical Year Teachings about Work, Wealth and Land. Beginning September 19 and extending through Thanksgiving our worship will explore the teachings of Shemita, also known as the Jewish Sabbatical Year. Jewish tradition began a Sabbatical Year on September 7, 2001. What lessons might Protestant Christians in the United States (especially in the COVID era) take from the shared biblical teachings that undergird this contemporary practice?

ADULT EDUCATION SUNDAY SEMINAR SERIES BEGINS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 via Zoom! In our continuing explorations of race and racial justice, we have chosen *See No Stranger: A Memoir and Manifesto of Revolutionary Love* by Valarie Kaur for our next reading. We will again

be discussing the book via Zoom rather than in person. The Zoom link will be provided the week before our first session. Books are available at the 4 Seasons bookstore with a 15% discount if you mention SPC.

CHILDREN'S VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! We need wise adults (parents and non-parents alike) to teach Sunday Studio. You may teach a couple of times or regularly, according to your preference. **MUST** be vaccinated and wear masks at all times. If you have any questions or wish to volunteer, please contact Christa Mastrangelo Joyce at jalayoga.christa@gmail.com

YOUTH PROGRAMMING WILL RETURN IN OCTOBER. Stay tuned!

Ordinary Time
Twenty-Fifth Sunday

September 19, 2021
11:00 a.m.

All I Cannot Save

My heart is moved by all I cannot save
So much has been destroyed
I have to cast my lot with those, who, age after age,
Perversely, with no extraordinary
Power, reconstitute the world.

Adrienne Rich

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