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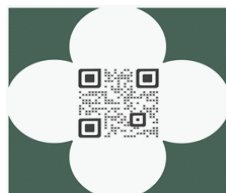
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Sunday Worship



Our Mission Statement

We are a community of faith united in exploring what it means to follow the way of Jesus Christ, to be a people of God, and to love and care for our neighbors. As a church we will know no circles of exclusion, no bridges we will not cross, and no loyalties above that which we owe to God.

Sunday, September 18, 2022

11:00 a.m.

Please respect those gathering in prayer before worship.

Welcome to Worship! We are glad you are here.

Masks are encouraged but not required.

Please notice and abide by signage around the church that designates areas where masks are required.

Children are a treasured part of this community! Please find a Worship Adventure Packet or a Busy Box at the tables in the foyers. Children are free to use these resources during the worship service as they sit in the pews or in the Wiggle Room.

Please take a moment to turn your cell phone ringer off. Thank you!

Prelude	Land of Rest - Wilbur Held	Christian Broughton
Gathering	Karin Zaugg Black, Long-Range Planning Team 2019-20	
*Hymn	For the Fruit of All Creation	#425
Time With Children	Cherry Johnson, Long Range Planning Team, Small Groups Ministry Task Force & Advisory Group 2019-Current	
Song	Dona Nobis Pacem	see Insert
Commissioning of Small Groups Ministry	Pastor Mario S. Morales and Cherry Johnson	

ONE: In the bulb there is a flower

MANY: Something God alone can see.

ONE: To those in this congregation who spoke their truths three years ago, while we were imagining our future together, and who entrusted their dreams to the Long Range Planning Team, who then recommended that we create a Small Groups Ministry,

MANY: We now give thanks.

ONE: To the Small Groups Ministry Task Force who took those dreams last year, developed them into a vision and planted them, like bulbs, for the future harvest we now celebrate,

MANY: We offer gratitude.

ONE: To the Small Groups Ministry Advisory Group whose labor this year has been like tending a garden - carefully, reverently - and to all those who answered the call to leadership in this ministry and those who look forward to benefitting from small groups, we offer our thanks and affirm together THIS DAY,

ALL: From the past, will come a future; what it holds, a mystery, Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

Invitations to Involvement & Call to Giving		Theresa Pruett, Co-Leader Legacies Group
*Prayer Hymn	<i>In the Bulb There Is a Flower</i>	#433

*If it is comfortable for you, please stand where indicated.

Prayer	Dr. Steve Smith, Co-Leader - Healing Journeys Group	
Scripture	- Psalm 113	Doug Beasley, Small Groups Ministry Task Force 2020-21
Sermon	We Are Better Together	Cherry Johnson and Pastor Mario S. Morales
*Hymn	You are Salt for the Earth O People	#181
Blessing of Group Leaders and Benediction	Cherry Johnson	
Postlude	Foundation - Wilbur Held	Christian Broughton
Please join coffee hour in person in the Parlor or Virtual on Zoom after the service.		

Worship Notes: Today, join the Small Groups Ministry for cake in Fellowship Hall.

Next Sunday, September 25th, Pastor Mario preaching.

Celebration of Life for Roxana Harper on Saturday, October 8th at SFBC at 9:30 - 10:30am; Social hour in Fellowship Hall 10:30 - 11:30 am, with light hors d'oeuvres & refreshments. Gordon and Roxana Harper were long-term participants and activists in the legislative and judicial programs at SFBC, such as Black Lives Matter Alliance of Washington and the Faith Action Network. Should you wish, donations in Roxana's name can be made to Seattle First Baptist Church for the church's ongoing support of these programs. On behalf of the Harper family, thank you -from the bottom of our hearts- for your years of friendship and love. Roxana cherished each and every one of you. Please RSVP to Elena Harper: elena@durango.net (206) 720-6647.

Beginning today, BIPOC GROUP with Pastor Mario -3rd Sunday of each month at 4pm on ZOOM. If you self-identify as Black, Indigenous or a Person of Color, you are invited to join the monthly BIPOC small group for fellowship, support and spiritual encouragement. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85036603078>.

Environmental Book Discussion - Tuesday, Sept. 20 at 7:00pm
Bill McKibben, Falter: Has the Human Game Begun to Play Itself Out?
Discussion led by Linda Zaugg. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89692038619>

A Place at the Table Dinners - Today is the last day to sign up to be a GUEST at our next potluck dinner on Saturday evening, September 24th. Look for the signup sheets downstairs in Fellowship Hall after the service. If you prefer to attend the Virtual Place at the Table via Zoom, please check the Church Calendar for the link to the on-line dinner hosted by Cherry Johnson.

Next Gen Sunday begins Sunday, October 2!

Young Adult Fall Retreat October 28th thru 30th, Cle Elum, WA
RSVP and Register by September 25 to secure your spot. Fill out registration form <https://forms.gle/BKFwkdgZ25rEVrDj8> - Sliding scale \$50-\$150, scholarships available. Contact Pastor Anita for more information.

HEALING JOURNEYS with Pastor Mario & Dr. Steve Smith - Eight Sunday mornings in-person at the church at 9:30am. (September 25-November 13) HEALING JOURNEYS ENCORE - For those who cannot attend in-person, each Sunday's recorded sessions will be offered via Zoom on the following Thursday <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86779019626> starting September 29th

*Brave Space - Weekly on Mondays, 7-8 p.m. *Noon Prayer on Tuesdays! Join in on Zoom.