

Season of Thanksgiving



OUR SAVIOR
LUTHERAN CHURCH

WELCOME TO OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

MISSION

Burning with the Spirit of Christ in us, we are called to serve our neighbors. In following Jesus' teaching and example, we at Our Savior Lutheran Church will feed souls through worship, word, and witness while feeding our neighbor with our hands and actions.

We are honored you have chosen to worship with us today. Our Savior is a community that aspires to follow Jesus so that all may know of the love of God in Christ.

FAMILY RESOURCES At the sanctuary entrance there are books and clipboards with paper & crayons. Children are welcome to take these items into worship. Additionally, the family area just outside the sanctuary has full audio and a view of the service. There you will find toys, books, seating, and room to roam.

HOLY COMMUNION Communion is the central gathering meal of the church. In this meal Christ promises to be fully present, offering forgiveness, a renewed faith, and a regenerative life. Everyone is invited to come forward, as you are able. Individual servings of bread & wine (red) or juice (white) await you; gluten-free bread is available. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.

WE'D LOVE TO CONNECT If you find yourself in a time of spiritual need or you're searching for more, we would love to walk with you. Simply fill out a Connections Card and we will contact you.

ABOUT THE LITURGICAL ARTS INSTALLATION: "50"

The term *Pentecost* comes from a Greek word meaning "fiftieth." It refers to the festival celebrated on the fiftieth day after Passover. In Christian tradition, Pentecost represents fulfillment of the promise that Christ will baptize his followers with the Holy Spirit.

LAST SUNDAY'S MUSIC CHOICES

Parish Musician David Liu often changes his choices for prelude, postlude, and offering music last minute, as the Spirit guides him. Here are last Sunday's choices:

November 9, 2025

Prelude: *Amazing Grace*—Arr. Victor Labensky

Offering Music: *Cello Sonata*—Chopin

Postlude: *Cello Sonata*—Chopin

Cover Image: *Autumn Abundance at Seattle Japanese Garden*, Photo by Cynthia Delaney

Season of Thanksgiving
23rd Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, November 16, 2025
10:00 a.m.
All Creation Sings Setting 12



Our Savior Lutheran Church
745 Front Street South
Issaquah, WA 98027
425-392-4169

HOLY COMMUNION

GATHERING: THE HOLY SPIRIT CALLS US TOGETHER AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND PRAYER FOR VETERANS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father,
and of the + Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG

The King Shall Come

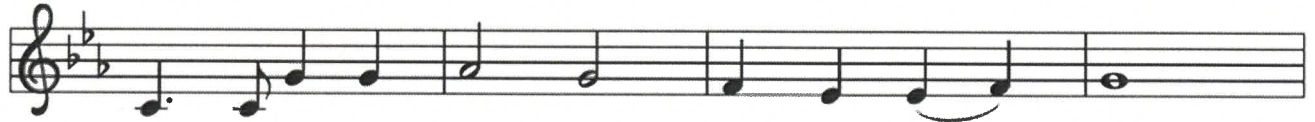
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GREETING

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



Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.



Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.

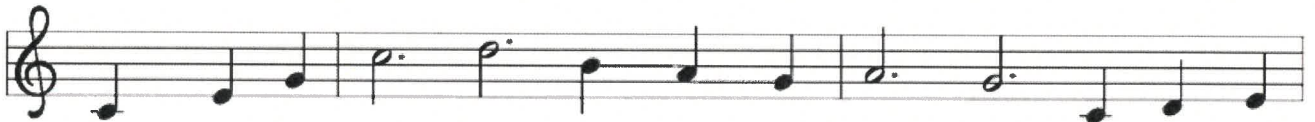


Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

SONG OF PRAISE

Praise and Thanksgiving

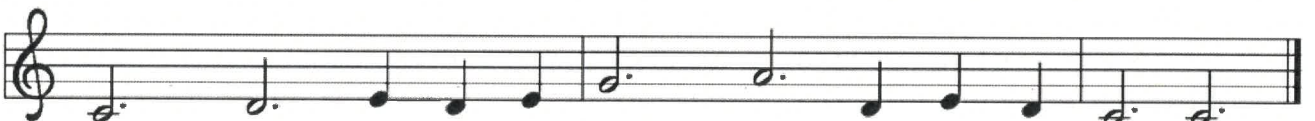
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- 1 Praise and thanks-giv - ing, God, we would of - fer for all things
- 2 God, bless the la - bor we bring to serve you, that with our
- 3 Fa - ther, pro - vid - ing food for your chil - dren, by Wis - dom's
- 4 Then will your bless - ing reach ev - 'ry peo - ple, free - ly con -



liv - ing, you have made good: har - vest of sown fields, fruits of the
neigh - bor we may be fed. Sow - ing or till - ing, we would work
guid - ing teach us to share one with an - oth - er, so that, re -
fess - ing your gra - cious hand. Where you are reign - ing, no one will



or - chard, hay from the mown fields, blos - som and wood.
with you, har - vest - ing, mill - ing for dai - ly bread.
joic - ing with us, all oth - ers may know your care.
hun - ger; your love sus - tain - ing show - ers the land.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

WORD: GOD SPEAKS TO US IN SCRIPTURE READING, PREACHING, AND SONG.

FIRST READING

Malachi 4:1-2a

¹ See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ^{2a} But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 98

- ¹ Sing a new song to the LORD, who has done marvelous things,
whose right hand and holy arm have won the victory.
- ² O LORD, you have made known your victory,
you have revealed your righteousness in the sight of the nations.
- ³ You remember your steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel;
all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- ⁴ Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands;
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- ⁵ Sing to the LORD with the harp,
with the harp and the voice of song.
- ⁶ With trumpets and the sound of the horn
shout with joy before the king, the LORD.
- ⁷ Let the sea roar, and all that fills it,
the world and those who dwell therein.
- ⁸ Let the rivers clap their hands,
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, who comes to judge the earth.
- ⁹ The LORD will judge the world with righteousness
and the peoples with equity.

SECOND READING

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

⁶ Now we command you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from every brother or sister living irresponsibly and not according to the tradition that they received from us. ⁷ For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not irresponsible when we were with you, ⁸ and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day so that we might not burden any of you. ⁹ This was not because we do not have that right but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰ For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: anyone unwilling to work should not eat. ¹¹ For we hear that some of you are living irresponsibly, mere busybodies, not doing any work. ¹² Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.



Our hearts burn with - in us as you open to us the scriptures.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 21:5-19

The holy gospel according to St. Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

⁵ When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, [Jesus] said, ⁶ “As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.”

⁷ They asked him, “Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?” ⁸ And he said, “Beware that you are not led astray, for many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is near!’ Do not go after them.

⁹ “When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified, for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.” ¹⁰ Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹ there will be great earthquakes and in various places famines and plagues, and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

¹² “But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³ This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴ So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance, ¹⁵ for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶ You will be betrayed even by parents and siblings, by relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷ You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸ But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹ By your endurance you will gain your souls.”

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

ELW 588

NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

MEAL: GOD FEEDS US WITH THE PRESENCE OF JESUS CHRIST.

OFFERING STATEMENT

We are grateful for offerings for the mission of the church. You may give here in the pews, use the QR code in the bulletin, or go online at oslcssaquah.org. Thank you so much for your generosity.



OFFERING MUSIC *Come and Hear*—Joseph Martin
Choral Ensemble

OFFERING (*As the offering is brought to the altar, we will sing.*)
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow ELW 884

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all
crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye
heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

OFFERING PRAYER

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and
God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on six staves in a treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The lyrics are printed below the notes. The first line of music ends with a double bar line. The second line of music ends with a double bar line. The third line of music ends with a double bar line. The fourth line of music ends with a double bar line. The fifth line of music ends with a double bar line. The sixth line of music ends with a double bar line.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

All praise to you, glorious God of grace.
Throughout the ages you have blessed us with foremothers of the faith.
With Hagar and Sarah, we bless you for your gift of life.
With Ruth, we praise you for family and food.
With Miriam, we celebrate our escape from the foe.
Remembering Deborah, we honor the words of your prophets.
Remembering the woman at the well, we laud you for living water.
Remembering Junia, we thank you for those who minister among your people.
One with the daughter of Jairus, we wake to life in you.

With Mary, we magnify your name:
My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior. . . .

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

With Mary, again we magnify your name:
My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior. . . .

Send your Spirit on the church, that like Anna,
we tell others of your mercy.
Send your Spirit into our hearts, that like Dorcas,
we care for the poor and needy.

With Mary, once more we magnify your name:
My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

All praise to you, powerful God of peace.
We adore you, our God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
you who mother and feed and comfort us,
today, tomorrow, and forever.
Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION AT THE RAIL

BE KNOWN TO US



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION SONGS

Come to the Table ELW 481

What Feast of Love ELW 487

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise ELW 834

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND PRAYER

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING SONG

O Christ the Same

ELW 760

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

OSLC Announcements

Thank You for Your Generosity

Thank you for your generous donation of gift cards for the children at the Issaquah Food Bank. We took in \$1,250.00 in gift cards and cash to buy gift cards. The parents will be able to shop for their children's holiday gifts with them! We're also giving the Issaquah Food Bank a \$1,000 donation from Community Outreach Committee's Designated Funds' budget.

Starting on November 30, there will be a Christmas Tree in the Narthex with tags on it. Take a tag and purchase a gift card for either Vine Maple Place or the OSLC Fund to give out to people in need. Each tag lists either "Vine Maple Place" or "OSLC" and the amount and type of gift card. We will collect them on Sunday, December 7 and Sunday, December 14. Again, we can't thank you enough for your support of the people in our community.

—Submitted by Cheryl Leiter



Advent/Christmas Setup on

Sunday, Nov. 23 and Sat., Nov. 29

After worship NEXT Sunday, November 23, we need volunteers to help set up the large tree in the sanctuary. Then, on Saturday, November 29 at 9:30 a.m., we'll put up the rest of the Advent and Christmas decorations. The more people who can help, the better! Many hands make light work. If you have any questions, please contact Stacy S. or Barbara F-S.—Submitted by Jane W.

New Liturgy Practice after Service NEXT Sunday, Nov. 23

We are starting a new liturgy on November 30, the First Sunday of Advent. Come learn the new Advent liturgy! There will be a 15-minute singing practice after service NEXT Sunday, November 23 in the sanctuary. You're invited to join us.

—Submitted by Nora T.



Coffee Hour Thank You's!

Two weeks ago, November 2: Thank you to Lori for coming in and making the coffee, even though she couldn't stay for the coffee hour. It was greatly appreciated. Suzanne D. came through with bringing in another of her homemade masterpieces. Many asked who made them. Thank you to Vicky J. and Jean P. for helping with the dishes and the cleanup. It was greatly appreciated.

Last Sunday, November 9: Although the discussion during Coffee Hour was a heavy one, Jan H. provided a smorgasbord of treats of veggies, hummus, etc., to add to the sweets. It added an uplift. Thank you to everyone who helped clean up and put away.

You just step in and do so. If I forget anyone, please know you are appreciated!

—Submitted by Lois D.



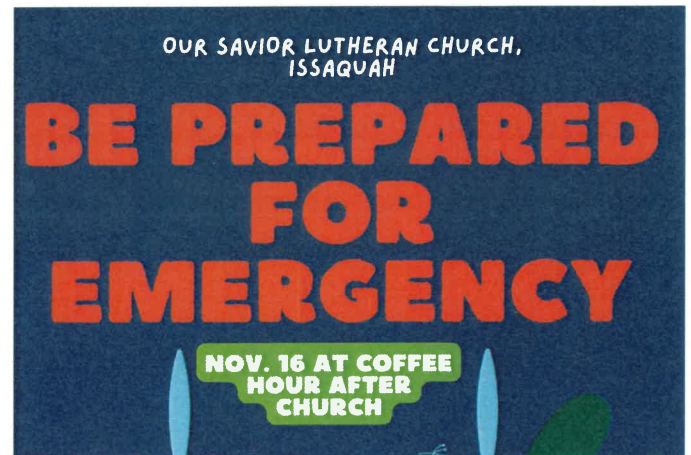
OSLC Announcements

Advent Evening Prayer on Sunday, November 30

On Sunday night, November 30, we'll have Advent Evening Prayer in the sanctuary, followed by treats and fellowship in Anderson Hall. *Bless This Night* is a prayer service that was designed for Holden. Pr. Mark from St. Luke's Lutheran Church and others from our area have written and composed it. They will introduce the service at 5:00 p.m., with an opportunity to practice the singing. The prayer service will then start at 6:00 p.m. This same event happened last year at Sammamish Hills Lutheran Church.

Emergency Preparedness Presentation TODAY, Nov. 16

During Coffee & Fellowship Hour TODAY, November 16, Cheryl Leiter will share some tips about how best to prepare for an emergency. Don't miss it!



A poster with a black background. At the top, it says "Advent Evening Prayer" in white. Below that is a white rectangular box with a black border. Inside the box, it says "BLESS THIS NIGHT" in a handwritten style, with a black silhouette of a mountain range below it. At the bottom of the box, it says "vespers '23". Below the box, it says "Sunday, November 30, 2025 @ Our Savior Lutheran Church 745 Front St S, Issaquah WA 98027". Below that, it says "5pm Preview Session with the Writers", "6pm Worship", and "6:30pm Treats & Fellowship". At the bottom, it says "An Eastside Lutheran Church Community & Partners Event".

Third Visioning Event NEXT Sunday, November 23

On Sunday, November 23, Pr. Olaf will facilitate the **Third Visioning Event—Discipleship: Life of Faith Initiative**—in Anderson Hall during Coffee & Fellowship Hour. It didn't occur on October 26 because of the Oktoberfest feast and music!

From Pr. Olaf's description: "The vision for the church is to broaden its understanding of ministry beyond pastors and congregations to include the daily lives of all baptized people. Ministry will be seen not just in church buildings but in homes, workplaces, schools, and communities worldwide. Success will be measured by impact in daily life, not just attendance or money."

December/Jan. Focus Deadline

The next Focus will be a combined December/January issue. Please email any items to Cynthia at office@oslcissaquah.org by Monday, November 24. Thanks!

OSLC Announcements

Sammamish Hills Lutheran Church Seeks Singers for Christmas Concert

From an email sent by Matt Turner of SHLC: "Do you love to sing Christmas songs? Sammamish Hills Lutheran Church will present a Christmas concert on December 21 at 3:00 p.m. and would like to invite any singers to join us. Rehearsals will take place in the SHLC sanctuary at 7:00 p.m. on 11/20, 12/4, 12/11, 12/18, and 12/20 (3:00 dress rehearsal). If interested, please contact Matt Turner through the SHLC office at worship@shlc.org. God bless!"

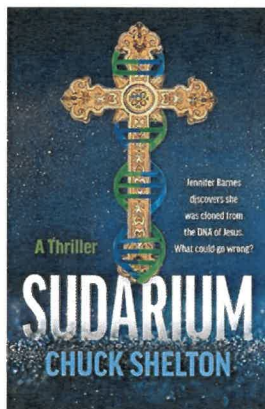
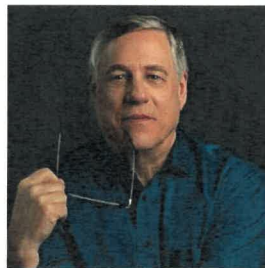


Coffee Hour Reading on Sunday, December 21

On Sunday, December 21 at 11:15 a.m. (during coffee hour in Anderson Hall), Sammamish writer Chuck Shelton will read from his newest thriller, *Sudarium*.

Sudarium explores what it means to live with integrity and courage as a person of faith. It disrupts stale views about gender among Christians and invites its readers to pursue their spirituality with fresh eyes in the context of radically loving oneself and others. (There's a flyer with the book's synopsis in the narthex.)

After the reading, Chuck is available to answer your questions and sign copies.



+ Share & Prayer +

We invite you to include these people in your daily prayers. Please email office@oslcissaquah.org your prayer requests. A complete list of prayers can be found in the Focus newsletter each month.

- ◆ **Mary F.**, for healing and comfort
- ◆ **Hannelore M.**, for correct diagnosis, successful treatment, and good healing
- ◆ **Wendy W.**, for her recovery after hip replacement surgery on October 27
- ◆ **Dianne T.**, for healing after surgery and for her new infusions to work

Mourning the Death of Loved Ones

Please keep their family, friends, and loved ones in your prayers.

- ◆ **Carol Johnson**
- ◆ **Mary Dahlgren** (friend of Dianne T.)
- ◆ **Gordon Smith** (cousin of Doug T.)
- ◆ **Evelyn (Evie) Sneva**
- ◆ **Dave Carlson** (husband of Marilyn)



Serving in Worship Today

Presiding Minister & Preacher:

Pr. Olaf Baumann

Assisting Minister:

Joan F.

Pianist:

David Liu

Ushers:

Anne E. and Mike A.

Altar Guild:

Stacy S.

Sound/Video:

Jon S.

This Week at Our Savior Lutheran Church

TODAY

9:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

NOVEMBER 16—23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Spirit of Peace UCC (SOP Sanctuary)

Worship Service (Sanctuary)

**Coffee & Fellowship Hour with Emergency Preparedness
Presentation by Cheryl Leiter (Anderson Hall)**

Zadinsky Student Performance Class (Sanctuary)

New Creation Church (Youth Room)

MONDAY

10:30 a.m.

3:00 p.m.

4:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER 17

Congregational Care Ministry (Library)

Companions Bible Study (Online)

Knitting Group (Narthex)

Master Chorus Eastside (Sanctuary)

Boy Scout Troop 676 (Anderson Hall)

Music lessons are held
in all downstairs rooms
throughout the week.

TUESDAY

7:00 p.m.

7:45 p.m.

NOVEMBER 18

Council Executive Committee (Online)

AA (Anderson Hall)

WEDNESDAY

10:30 a.m.

7:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER 19

Stephen Minister Training Course (Education Room)

Boy Scout Troop PLC (Anderson Hall)

THURSDAY

9:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

12:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER 20

Mission Quilters (Anderson Hall)

Al-Anon (Education Room)

**Searching for the Historical Jesus Video Series (Anderson
Hall)**

Community Meal Prep (Kitchen)

New Creation Church Bible Study (Library)

Finance Committee (Online)

Searching for the Historical Jesus Video Series (Online)

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

11:15 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

3:30-8:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER 23—CHRIST THE KING

Spirit of Peace UCC (SOP Sanctuary)

Worship Service (Sanctuary)

**Coffee & Fellowship Hour with Third Visioning Event
(Anderson Hall)**

Advent Tree Setup (Sanctuary)

New Liturgy Practice (Sanctuary)

New Creation Church (Youth Room)

Jenny Cho's Student Recital (Sanctuary and Anderson Hall)



Emergency Pastoral Care

For emergency pastoral care, please contact Pr. Olaf Baumann at 360-912-1830.
Pr. Kristin-Luana Baumann is on vacation through November 20.