

## NEW HERE?

We're glad you're here! If you are visiting us, we'd love to connect with you. Fill out the Connect Card (in the pew rack) or scan this QR code. And stop by the Welcome Center for your gift bag!



## WEST SIDE KIDS | TODAY

**8:30am** | Kids are invited to the kid's table in the narthex during the sermon to work on an art or craft project.

**10:00am** | Kids (5th grade and under) are dismissed during the service to learn and play at Sunday School downstairs.

**Nursery** | Available for kids ages 0-3.

## WEST SIDE YOUTH | TODAY

**10:00am** | **Middle School Discipleship**

Dismissed during the service to gather downstairs for Bible study.

**6:00pm** | **High School Youth Group**

Meets Sundays, 6-8pm, for Bible study, snacks, and games.

## WEST SIDE FAMILY | MARCH 21

Join the celebration of Life gathering for long-time members Bill and Lois Batts on Saturday, March 21, 2pm, at The Kenney.

## MEN'S COFFEE MORNING | MARCH 21

Come connect with men of all ages with donuts and a Bible study on March 21 at 8:30-10:00am.

## CALLING ALL GARDENERS AND HELPERS | MARCH 21

Let's clean up the grounds for Easter! Meet at 10am to weed and prune. Bring tools, but we'll have extras. Questions? Contact Dick Ramsey, 206-819-9337.

## WELCOME TO WEST SIDE | MARCH 22

Learn more about who we are and what we believe. Join us in the library on March 22 following each service to find out more.

## HANDBELL CONCERTS | MARCH 25

There will be a handbell concert on March 25, 4pm, at Brookdale Admiral Heights. All are welcome!

## BLESS BIG NOMINATIONS NEEDED BY MARCH 30

Our annual Bless Big Global campaign (coming in May!) supports the global church. What missionaries or global missions organizations would you like to nominate to receive donations? Scan the QR code or email Alan (alank@wspc.org).



## BOARD GAME NIGHT | APRIL 8

Mark your calendars for April 8 at 5:30pm. Come enjoy an evening of pizza, Husky Deli ice cream, and friendly competition! Bring a favorite game to share. Nursery available.

## DAILY READINGS

The scripture references in parentheses are for the *Seeing Jesus Together* journals. You can pick up a copy of the year's readings at the Welcome Center, or scan the QR code.

**Mon:** 2 Kings 1, Romans 1 (Romans 1:11-17)  
**Tues:** 2 Kings 2, Romans 2 (Romans 2:1-5)  
**Wed:** 2 Kings 3, Romans 3 (Romans 3:20-26)  
**Thurs:** 2 Kings 4, Romans 4 (Romans 4:3-8)  
**Fri:** 2 Kings 5, Romans 5 (Romans 5:1-5)  
**Sat:** Psalm 64, (Psalm 64:10)



## HOLY WEEK AT WEST SIDE | MARCH 29-APRIL 5

**Palm Sunday Worship Service** | March 29, 8:30am & 10am

**Maunder Thursday Seder Dinner** | April 2, 5:30pm

**Good Friday Tenebrae Service** | April 3, 7pm

**Easter Sunday** | April 5

6:30am - Sunrise Service @ Forest Lawn Cemetery  
(sponsored by the West Seattle Ministerial Association)

8:30am - Traditional Service

Between Services: Special Easter Coffee Time with Kids Egg Hunt

10am - Contemporary Service

Scan the QR code to find out more about our Holy Week services and events.



## JOURNEYING THROUGH LENT TOGETHER

This Lent we're focusing on why Jesus is worth following.

• Lent Prayer Guide: Instead of "giving up" something, we will focus on giving our whole selves to God. (Scan QR code or pick up your copy in the Welcome Center.)



• Two left! Join us for **Lent Soup Suppers and Connect Groups** on Wednesdays through March 25. All ages supper starts at 5:30pm, and Connect Groups and classes meet at 6:30pm. Childcare available.

## DENOMINATIONAL DISCERNMENT - CLOSER LOOK CLASSES

Join us for these classes to discuss key issues in the process. Choose any date for a class; the material covered is the same.

Childcare is available. Zoom is available when you register by scanning the QR code, or stopping by the Welcome Center or emailing office@wspc.org.



• **A Closer Look at the Trust Clause and legal Issues**  
TODAY, Sunday, March 15 @10am

• **A Closer Look at Unity Across Differences (Interpreting what the Bible teaches about sexual ethics)**  
Wed, March 18 @ 6:30pm & Sunday, March 22 after each service

• **A Closer Look at WSPC Mission and ECO/EPC/PCUSA**  
Wednesday, March 25 @ 6:30pm & Sunday, March 29 @ 10am

Scan the QR code to join the **Denominational Discernment Hub** on Church Center for updates, prayer prompts, links to discussion groups, and more.



## FINANCIAL UPDATE

### March to-Date

↑ March Income: \$23,595      Previous Year March Income: \$90,000  
Goal\*: \$90,000

### Fiscal Year-to-Date

Fiscal YTD: \$742,470  
Previous July-March Income: \$745,000  
Goal\*: \$857,000

\*Goal: Income required to fund future ministry expenses without drawing on reserves.

## ONLINE GIVING

Scan the code for our online giving page >>>



# LIFE CHANGING

## Journey to Joy

March 15, 2026 | **8:30am**

*Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.*

Mark 8:34

Prelude | *In Green Pastures*, Donald Lee Moor

## Gatherng

Introit | *Gloria in Excelsis Deo*, Anthony Spain

Call to Worship

O Christ,  
out of your fullness we have all received grace upon grace.  
You are our eternal hope;  
you are patient and full of mercy;  
you are generous to all who call upon you.

**Save us, Lord.**

O Christ, fountain of life and holiness,  
you have taken away our sins.  
On the cross you were wounded for our transgressions  
and were bruised for our iniquities.

**Save us, Lord.**

O Christ, obedient unto death,  
source of all comfort,  
our life and our resurrection,  
our peace and our reconciliation:

**Save us, Lord.**

O Christ, Savior of all who trust you,  
hope of all who die for you,  
and joy of all the saints:

**Save us, Lord.**

Jesus, Lamb of God,  
**have mercy on us.**

Jesus, bearer of our sins,  
**have mercy on us.**

Jesus, redeemer of the world,  
**grant us peace.**

## Prayer

God of love,  
as in Jesus Christ you gave yourself to us,  
so may we give ourselves to you,  
living according to your holy will.  
Keep our feet firmly in the way  
where Christ leads us;  
make our mouths speak the truth  
that Christ teaches us;  
fill our bodies with the life  
that is Christ within us.  
In his holy name we pray.  
**Amen.**

Hymn #50 | *Praise to the Holiest in the Height*

Prayer of Confession | #95, Like Lost Sheep

Hymn #98 | *Come, Ye Sinners*

*Please remain seated for this hymn as part of our prayers of confession.*

## Assurance of Pardon

This saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance,  
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.  
He himself bore our sins  
in his body on the cross,  
that we might be dead to sin,  
and alive to all that is good.

I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ,  
you are forgiven.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

## The Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**ALL: And also with you.**

## Greeting

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory | *Ave Verum*, Edward Elgar

Translation:  
*Hail, true Body, born  
of the Virgin Mary,  
having truly suffered, sacrificed  
on the cross for mankind,  
from whose pierced side  
water and blood flowed:  
Be for us a sweet foretaste  
in the trial of death!  
O sweet Jesus, O holy Jesus,  
O Jesus, son of Mary,  
have mercy on me. Amen.*

## The Word

Prayer for Illumination

Lord God, we wish to see Jesus.  
By your Spirit's power,  
give us eyes to see his glory.  
Through Christ we pray.

**ALL: Amen.**

Gospel Reading | Isaiah 12:1-6

This is the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon | The Way of Joy | Mark 4:34-38

Laurie Brenner

Hymn #331 | *Gloria Patri*

Glory be to the Father,  
and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Affirmation of Faith | From the Westminster Confession

**The Lord Jesus, by his perfect obedience and sacrifice of himself, which he offered up to God once, through the eternal Spirit, has fully satisfied the justice of his Father and has purchased not only reconciliation but an everlasting inheritance in the kingdom of heaven for all those whom the Father has given to him.**

Celebration of Communion

Special Music | *Hear Our Prayer*, Felix Mendelssohn

Alexandra Picard, soprano; Clint Gawthrop organ

## Sending

#817 | *What Wondrous Love Is This*

Benediction

Postlude | *Allegro*, J. S. Bach