

Welcome to
Sunriver Christian
Fellowship

An Ecumenical Ministry Sponsored by the Episcopal and Lutheran Churches



The Holy Eucharist
in Celebration of
The Fourth Sunday
After Epiphany

February 2, 2025
10 a.m.

Order of Service

Pastor Kally Elliott, Celebrant, The Rev. Chuck Christopher, *Preacher* Dave Long, *Reader*
Sharon Krueger & Mitzi Putney, *Keyboardists*; Don Udlock, *Song Leader*

Bell Toll *The ringing of the bells calls us to worship and quiets our minds and voices.*

Prelude *A time to prepare for worship. For the Beauty of the Earth* arr. Smith & Hustad

Welcome & Announcements

Kally

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Hymn

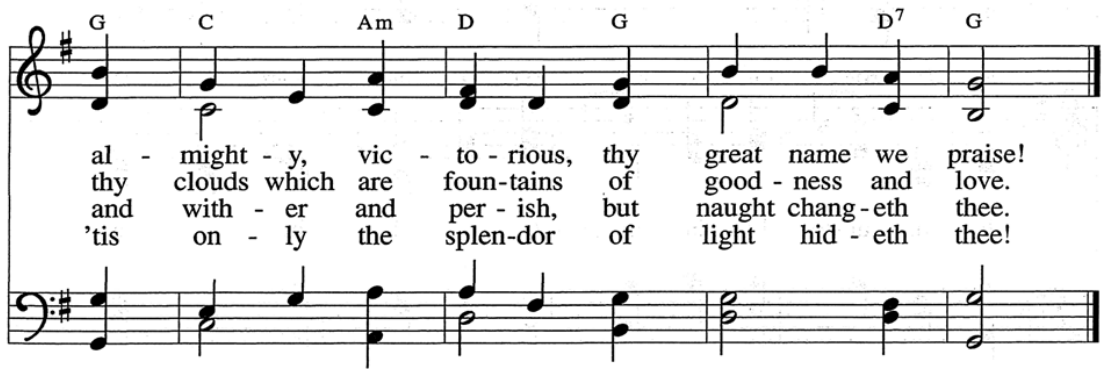
Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise ELW #834, OneLicense.net, A-740306

Sing verses 1, 2, and 4

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light;

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
we blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
all laud we would ren - der; oh, help us to see



From the Iona Community

Celebrant: Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest, stay with us.

People: **With friend, with stranger, with young and with old, be among us.**

Celebrant: Come close to us that we may come close to you.
(Silence)

Forgive us that we may forgive one another.

People: **Renew us so that, where we have failed, we may begin again. Amen.**

Collect

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth:
Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your
peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy
Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People: **Amen.**

Please be seated.

Scripture Readings

Dave Long

A reading from 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 (NRSV)

Reader: If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes

all things, endures all things. Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

A moment for meditation

Please stand as you are able for the reading of the Gospel.

Reader: **The Holy Gospel according to Luke 4:31-44 (The Message)**

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Reader: Jesus went down to Capernaum, a village in Galilee. He was teaching the people on the Sabbath. They were surprised and impressed—his teaching was so forthright, so confident, so authoritative, not the quibbling and quoting they were used to. In the meeting place that day there was a man demonically disturbed. He screamed, “Stop! What business do you have here with us, Jesus? Nazarene! I know what you’re up to. You’re the Holy One of God and you’ve come to destroy us!” Jesus shut him up: “Quiet! Get out of him!” The demonic spirit threw the man down in front of them all and left. The demon didn’t hurt him. That knocked the wind out of everyone and got them whispering and wondering, “What’s going on here? Someone whose words make things happen? Someone who orders demonic spirits to get out and they go?” Jesus was the talk of the town. He left the meeting place and went to Simon’s house. Simon’s mother-in-law was running a high fever and they asked him to do something for her. He stood over her, told the fever to leave—and it left. Before they knew it, she was up getting dinner for them. When the sun went down, everyone who had anyone sick with some ailment or other brought them to him. One by one he placed his hands on them and healed them. Demons left in droves, screaming, “Son of God! You’re the Son of God!” But he shut them up, refusing to let them speak because they knew too much, knew him to be the Messiah. He left the next day for open country. But the crowds went looking and, when they found him, clung to him so he couldn’t go on. He told them, “Don’t you realize that there are yet other villages where I have to tell the Message of God’s kingdom, that this is the work God sent me to do?” Meanwhile he continued preaching in the meeting places of Galilee. *The Gospel of the Lord.*

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

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Please be seated.

Musical Reflection

Holy Manna arr. G. Ratcliffe

Bell Ensemble

Sharon Krueger, Mitzi Putney, Jan Tuckerman, Jane Vakoc+

Sermon

The Rev. Chuck Christopher

Please stand as you are able.

Response Hymn

Healer of Our Every Ill WOV #738, OneLicense.net

Sing verses 1 and 2

Refrain



Heal - er - of our ev - 'ry ill, light of each to - mor - ow,
give us peace be - yond our fear, and hope be - yond our

To verses *End*



sor - row. sor - row.

1. You who know our fears and sad-ness, grace us with your peace and glad-ness;
2. In the pain and joy be-hold-ing how your grace is still un-fold-ing,
3. Give us strength to love each oth-er, ev-'ry sis-ter, ev-'ry broth-er;
4. You who know each thought and feel-ing, teach us all your way of heal-ing;



Spir - it of all com - fort, fill our hearts. _____
give us all your vi - sion, God of love. _____
Spir - it of all kind - ness, be our guide. _____
Spir - it of com - pass - sion, fill each heart. _____

Affirmation of Faith

Reader: Let us affirm our faith,

People: **We believe in a bright and amazing God, who has been to the depths of despair on our behalf; who has risen in splendor and majesty; who decorates the universe with sparkling water, clear white light twinkling stars and sharp colors, over and over again.**

We believe that Jesus is the light of the world; that God believes in us, and trusts us, even though we make the same mistakes over and over again.

We commit ourselves to Jesus, to one another as brothers and sisters, and to the maker's business in the world. God said: let there be light. Amen.

Please be seated.

Prayers of the People

Reader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world, giving thanks for God's goodness. Shine in your church, O God; embolden us, in a dark world, to speak truthfully and to act with the courage of love. This day and always,

People: **Christ, be our Light.**

Reader: Shine on your world, O God; heal the warring of nations and the wounding of the earth to give us peace at last. This day and always,

People: **Christ, be our Light.**

Reader: Shine for your people, O God; make us one human family who clothe each other with mercy and feed each other with justice. This day and always,

People: **Christ, be our Light.**

Reader: Shine in our hearts, O God; help us to reach to the heavens and deep in our souls to seek you, to find you, and to know you. Fill us with your faith, empower us with your hope, touch our hearts with your love. This day and always,

People: **Christ, be our Light.**

Reader: Shine in the saints and departed, O God; teach us to follow their lead to outrageous faith and eternal love. This day and always,

People: **Christ, be our Light.**

Reader: Shine for the afflicted, O God; remind them of your deep compassion and how you tenderly bear all our sorrows. Today we pray especially for Jim A., Hillary Y., Sharon B., Rich D., Roger S., Diannne, Amanda, Michael, Kasey, & Britton C., Bruce G., Barbara V., Curtis S., Amy R., Judy S., Tina S., Joseph H., Robert M., Melissa J., Dave & Katie R., Sheree, Jan M., Karin B., Andy E., Benjamin C., Carol D., Thomas W., Scott J., Lauren B., Al K., Carol F., Jennie F., Erik E., Lynne E., Betsy M., Amber F., Olivia L., and Aedan V. This day and always.

People: **Christ, be our Light.**

Shine, O God, as the Light that creates, the Light that calls, the Light that comes again with every dawn. Shine as the Light that scatters every shadow, and the Light in which we promise to walk, with your help. Amen.

Please stand as you are able.

Sharing of the Peace

Celebrant: Let the love of God fill your hearts and minds. Let God change you, and you shall be changed. May the Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Please be seated.

Offertory

This Is My Father's World arr. Smith & Hustad

Please stand as you are able.

Offertory Response

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

The Great Thanksgiving:

Celebrant: The Lord is here.

People: **God's Spirit is with us.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to offer thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: It is right to give you thanks and praise for the life you lived among us, speaking our language, learning our ways, sitting at our tables, listening to our complaints, speaking the truth and never giving up on us.

We give you thanks and praise for never compromising the truth by which you lived, for refusing to be swayed by popular opinion for defying the seductions of power, for confronting institutionalized prejudice and never selling your soul.

We thank you and praise you for loving the unlovable, touching the untouchable, forgiving the unforgivable, recognizing the potential beneath the pain, and never taking an easier path. So we gladly celebrate your life, as in concert with the church in heaven and earth we join the song of your unending praise.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
power and might. Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might.
Hea - ven and earth are full, full
of your glo - ry, ho - san - na in the high -
est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant: Oh, Holy Jesus, it is not by virtue that we are here, but by your gracious invitation. It is not to continue an ancient tradition but to be nourished by our living Lord. It is not only to celebrate your presence among us but to catch a glimpse of heaven, because, in this sacrament, you give us a foretaste of that heavenly banquet where we shall see you face to face and enjoy the freedom of eternity when the limitations of earth are no more.

Among friends, gathered round a table, Jesus took bread; and when he had blessed it, he broke it and said, 'Take this and eat it. It is my body. It is given for you. Do this to remember me.

Then later, during the meal, he took a cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he said, 'In this cup is the new relationship with God made possible because of my death. Take this, all of you, to remember me.'

God our Maker,

People: **Let your Holy Spirit fill this bread and this wine with the fullness of Jesus so that we, in stretching out our hands, receive, through faith, food for our souls. In the intimacy of this sacrament, as heaven and earth become one, enable us to know you more deeply and resolve to love and serve you more faithfully in this world, until our hope is fulfilled and your kingdom comes. Amen.**

Celebrant: As our savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

The Fraction

Celebrant: The bread we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

People: **We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.**

Please be seated.

The Distribution

Please be seated until the usher indicates that it is time for your row to go forward.

All are welcome to receive Christ's body .

If you prefer a blessing, come forward with your arms crossed in front of you.

If you wish to receive Communion at your seat, please notify an usher.

You may respond with "Amen" as you receive Communion.

Post Communion Prayer

People: **Lord, may we be wakeful at sunrise to begin a new day for you; cheerful at sunset for having done our work for you; thankful at moonrise and under starshine for the beauty of your universe; and may we add what little may be in us to add to your great world. Amen.**

The Blessing

Celebrant: As you have been fed at this table go to feed the hungry. As you have been set free go to set free the imprisoned. As you have received — give. As you have heard — proclaim. And the blessing which you have received from Creator, Son and Spirit go with you.

People: **Amen.**

Please stand as you are able.

Closing Hymn

This Is My Father's World LBW #554, In Public Domain
Sing verses 1 and 2

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in the key of D major. The melody is in the soprano part, with the other parts providing harmonic support. The tempo is marked 'C' (Crescendo) and the time signature is 4/4. The score includes three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line. The first system contains the first verse, and the second system contains the second verse. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and moving lines in the bass and tenor parts.

1 This is my Fa-ther's world, And to my lis-t'ning ears All
2 This is my Fa-ther's world; The birds their car-ols raise; The
3 This is my Fa-ther's world; Oh, let me not for-get That,

na-ture sings, and round me rings The mu-sic of the spheres.
morn-ing light, the lil-y white, De-clare their mak-er's praise.
though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul-er yet.

This is my Fa - ther's world; I rest me in the thought Of
This is my Fa - ther's world; He shines in all that's fair. In the
This is my Fa - ther's world; Why should my heart be sad? The

rocks and trees, of . . skies and seas; His hand the won - ders .wrought.
rus - tling grass I . . hear him pass; He speaks to me ev-'ry-where.
Lord is king, let the heav-ens ring; God reigns, let the earth be . . glad!

Dismissal

Celebrant: See that you are at peace among yourselves and love one another in Jesus, the Christ, our Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Coffee is served today by Barb Purcell & Gordon Werkema.

Celebrant & Preacher next week: Pastor Kally Elliott

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GUEST BOOK

We would love it if our guests would sign the guest book with your full mailing address. It is located in the lobby on the counter by the coffee bar.

UPCOMING SERVICES & EVENTS AT SCF

February 2	Sermon Talk-Back with Chuck
February 9	Worship service — Pastor Kally
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February 16	Worship service — Pastor Kally
February 16	Sermon Talk-Back with Kally
February 16	All Saints of the Cascades Episcopal annual meeting after the service
February 23	Worship service — Pastor Kally
February 23	Newcomer's Welcome Lunch

SERMON TALK-BACKS ARE HERE!

Starting **TODAY** you're invited to join us 15 minutes after worship for a Sermon Talk-Back upstairs. This is a warm and welcoming space to share your thoughts on the sermon, ask questions, exchange insights, and yes—offer Pastor Kally or our guest preacher a little friendly preaching advice! We'll spend about 30 minutes together in conversation, laughter, and thoughtful reflection. Come as you are and bring your curiosity—we'd love to hear from you!

Sermon talk-backs will be held whenever Pastor Kally is preaching and available after worship, or when our guest preacher is willing to join the conversation.

NEWCOMER'S WELCOME LUNCH

Are you new to Sunriver Christian Fellowship? We'd love to meet you and welcome you to our community! Join us for a Newcomer's Welcome Lunch after church on February 23rd—a relaxed and friendly gathering to learn more about our church and connect with some wonderful people. Please reach out to Linda Salzer to let us know you'll be joining us. Cell: 541-420-1697. Email: lsalzer@chamberscable.com. We can't wait to see you there!

SCF HOODY SWEATSHIRTS AND T-SHIRTS

At the annual meeting we unveiled the SCF clothing line (: Hoody sweatshirts are \$50, long sleeve T-shirts are \$25, short sleeve T-shirts are \$20. The sweatshirts and T-shirts are about 50% polyester and 50% cotton. See the website below for more information on the material and sizing. If you have any questions contact Tom.

Good news! On Wednesday, January 29, we opened a website named <https://scf.deco-apparel.com>" where you can order online at any time and pay with your card of choice. Nice and simple!

We have ordered the first batch of hoodies and tees. For this batch, you will need to see Joan Lewis and pay her for your ordered amount and collect your shirt. Make out your check to Sunriver Christian Fellowship, or SCF, and put "SCF clothing" on the notes line at the bottom of the check.

ALL SAINTS of the CASCADES EPISCOPAL ANNUAL MEETING

All Saint's annual business meeting will be held after the worship service on Sunday, February 16th in the East Room. Bring your snacks and join us. The main focus of the meeting will be the election of delegates for the Diocesan Convention in the fall as well as to discuss all things Episcopal at SCF.

SCF MANAGING BOARD:

The SCF Managing Board meets monthly, on the fourth Tuesday of the month, at SCF, 1:30 p.m. The next meeting is February 25. All are welcome to attend.

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