

Welcome to  
**Sunriver Christian  
Fellowship**

An Ecumenical Ministry Sponsored by the Episcopal and Lutheran Churches



The Holy Eucharist  
in Celebration of  
The Second Sunday in  
Lent

March 1, 2026  
10 a.m.

# Order of Service

Rev. Dr. Kally Elliott, *Celebrant & Preacher*

Wade Watson, *Reader*

Mitzi Putney & Gina Rosbrook *Keyboardists*

Gina Rosbrook *Song Leader*

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Please silence all cell phones.

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

## Prelude

*Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee* arr. V. Labenske

## Welcome & Announcements

Pastor Kally

## Lighting of the Christ Candle

## Call to Worship

**Celebrant:** Tell me something good!

**All: God loves you more than you could imagine.**

**Celebrant:** Tell me something good!

**All: God loves all of creation more than you could imagine.**

**Celebrant:** Tell me something good!

**All: God's love meets us in this service of worship. We are not alone.**

**Celebrant:** This is good news indeed!

**All: Let us worship our compassionate God.**

*Please stand in body or in spirit.*

## Opening Hymn

*Love Has Brought Us Here Together*

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1 Love has brought us here to - geth - er; love of fam - 'ly,  
2 Love is gen - tle. love is pa - tient, soft in words and  
3 Love does not re - joice at e - vil; love re - joic - es

love of friends; love, our vow till death should part us; love, God's  
kind in deeds. Love is strong and nev - er pom - pous; love puts  
in the right. Keen in giv - ing and for - giv - ing, spread - ing

gift, that nev - er ends. From our birth, through-out our life - time,  
 first the oth - er's needs. Not quick - tem - pered or re - sent - ful,  
 love is love's de - light. When two peo - ple pledge their u - nion,

love's in - sis - tence calls our name. Floods of wa - ters  
 prone to take of - fense or brood, love ex - cels in  
 all who wit - ness are re - newed, feast - ing at love's

can - not drown it or put out its danc - ing flame.  
 grace and mer - cy, nev - er jeal - ous, nev - er rude.  
 earth - ly ban - quet, tast - ing heav'n's be - at - i - tude.

### Call to Confession

**Celebrant:** We long to love others as God loves us, but that work is easier said than done. We lose our way. We become distracted. We grow fearful. We need God's grace. Fortunately for us, God's grace is freely and abundantly given. So, join me in the Prayer of Confession. Join me in being transformed.

### Prayer of Confession

**All:** **Merciful God, did we see you hungry and give you something to eat? Did we see you thirsty and give you something to drink? Did we see you alone and offer you compassion? Or did we cross the street? Did we avert our eyes? Did we come up with every excuse in the book? God, we long to be people who love our neighbors**

**with the same overwhelming love that you have for them. But we must admit, we have a long way to go. Forgive us for the times when we let bias, scarcity, or fear get in the way of love. Wash us clean and give us the courage to try again. With hope for a better tomorrow we pray, amen.**

### Words of Forgiveness

**Celebrant:** Hear and believe this good news: even when we act with judgment, even when we are guided by fear, even when we turn our back on a neighbor in need, God does not turn God's back on us. So, join me in this good-news declaration:

**All: We are seen. We are forgiven. We are invited to try again. Thanks be to God for this unending love.**

*Please stand in body or in spirit.*

### Passing of the Peace

**The peace of Christ be with you.**

*Please be seated.*

### Scripture Readings

Wade

*Please stand in body or in spirit for the reading of both Gospels.*

**The Holy Gospel according to *Luke 7:36-50***

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

One of the Pharisees asked Jesus to eat with him, and when he went into the Pharisee's house he reclined to dine. And a woman in the city who was a sinner, having learned that he was eating in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster jar of ointment. She stood behind him at his feet, weeping, and began to bathe his feet with her tears and to dry them with her hair, kissing his feet and anointing them with the ointment.

Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw it, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what kind of woman this is who is touching him, that she is a sinner." Jesus spoke up and said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." "Teacher," he replied, "speak." "A certain moneylender had two debtors; one owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. When they could not pay, he canceled the debts for both of them. Now which of them will love him more?" Simon answered, "I suppose the one for whom he canceled the greater debt." And Jesus said to him, "You have judged rightly."

Then turning toward the woman, he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has bathed my feet with her tears and dried them with her hair. You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not stopped kissing my feet. You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. Therefore, I tell you, her

many sins have been forgiven; hence she has shown great love. But the one to whom little is forgiven loves little.” Then he said to her, “Your sins are forgiven.” But those who were at the table with him began to say among themselves, “Who is this who even forgives sins?” But he said to the woman, “Your faith has saved you; go in peace

### **The Holy Gospel according to *Matthew 25:35-40***

**Reader:** for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.’

*The Gospels of the Lord*

### **All: Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

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### **Musical Reflection**

***When Love is Found*** Brian Wren, ACS 749

Gina

### **Sermon**

Pastor Kally

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

### **Response Hymn**

### ***I Come With My Devotion***

Anna Strickland, A Sanctified Art



I come with my de - vo - tion to love and serve  
I hear my Sa - vior's call - ing to serve the lost  
God made us in God's im - age each per - son whom



my God Whose lov - ing cos - mos formed me  
and least The hun - gry and im - pris - oned,  
we meet Ex - tra - va - gant - ly lov - ing



be - fore I e - ver sought The glo - ry of the  
the bro - ken ones like me For in each act of  
all of hu - man - i - ty So I'll re - turn the



hea - vens or praise on earth be - low So ev - ery  
kind - ness it's Christ for whom we care All wor - thy  
love which has formed me from the start — Lov - ing



gift I have now I lay be - fore the throne  
of our love — since it's God's face we bear  
my cre - a - tor, my - self, and ev - ery heart

### **Prayers of the People**

*As a church, we are holding in prayer those in our community who are sick, grieving, weary, or in need of God's presence. A full list of names is included in today's announcements, and we invite you to keep these individuals in your prayers throughout the week.*

*During worship, we will offer a collective prayer for all those in need, trusting that God knows each name, each need, and each heart. If you would like to add a name to our prayer list, please contact the church office.*

**Reader:** Jesus of Nazareth, your love for this world is so strong. It's like a jar of perfume broken in a crowded room, it permeates everything it touches. God, we long to love like that. We long to love you with the same extravagant abundance that the woman with the alabaster jar displayed.

We pray for those in our community who need extra love and care: for those who are grieving, for those who are weary in body or spirit, for those facing illness, uncertainty, or loneliness.

**All: Hold them close. Surround them with tenderness and with companions who show up.**

**Reader:** We pray for the world you love: for places torn by violence, for leaders entrusted with power, for communities living with fear, displacement, or injustice.

**All: Shape us into people who seek peace, tell the truth, and practice mercy.**

*Reader:* God, our love does not stop with our neighbor.

**All: We also long to love you.**

*Reader:* When we pass a field brushed in purple, turn our attention toward gratitude. When laughter breaks through the day, remind us that goodness still lives and breathes among us. When music or birdsong stirs something deep within, steady us in the truth that you are near.

**All: In these ordinary and holy moments, turn our hearts toward you again and again.**

*Reader:* Make us bold in love, generous in praise, and quick to say thank you. With gratitude for the woman who poured out what she had, for love that did not count the cost, we place our lives before you. And now, trusting in your mercy and care, we pray together as Jesus taught us to 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**

Offertory

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* arr. V. Labenske

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

Offertory Response

*The Doxology*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures high and low;  
Praise God, in Jesus fully known;  
Creator, Word, and Spirit One. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

Invitation to the Table:

**Celebrant:** This is Christ's table. This table welcomes those who have loved boldly and those who wish they had. Those who come with clarity and those who come carrying regret, doubt, or weariness.

Here, Christ meets us as he always does with bread to break and a cup to share. This is the table where love is poured out. This is the table where strangers become neighbors. This is the table where grace is never scarce.

Come, for all is ready.

## Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

**All:** **And also with you.**

**Celebrant:** Lift up your hearts.

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

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

**All:** **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**Celebrant:** It is right, and it is a good and faithful thing, to give you thanks, O God.

For you are a God who notices. You see the woman others avoid. You welcome the one who comes with tears instead of words. You receive love poured out without restraint and call it beautiful.

When others see disruption, you see devotion. When others measure worth, you offer forgiveness. You remind us that love, when it is real, is never tidy or contained.

In Jesus, you sat at tables where judgment lingered, and you chose mercy instead. You let yourself be touched by those labeled unworthy. You told stories that unsettled the comfortable and lifted up the overlooked.

You taught us that loving you is inseparable from loving our neighbor. That when we feed the hungry, welcome the stranger, care for the sick, and stand with the vulnerable, we are meeting you face to face.

On the night before he gave himself for us, Jesus took bread. He gave thanks, broke the bread, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat. This is my body, broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup. Again he gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "This cup is the cup of the new covenant, my grace poured out for you and for the world. Whenever you drink, remember me."

And so we remember a love poured out, a body given, a forgiveness that refuses to be earned.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and cup. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, so that we may become people who love without keeping score, who notice those others pass by, and who recognize Christ in the hungry, the lonely, and the overlooked.

Send us from this table ready to love with our whole selves, trusting that when love is poured out, it is never wasted.

All glory and praise are yours, now and forever.

**All: Amen.**

## Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup

*We serve communion by intinction. You are invited to take a piece of bread, dip it into the cup, and receive the elements together. Gluten-free and individual sterile options are available.*

## Prayer after Communion

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

**All: Gracious God, thank you for meeting us at this table, for bread shared and grace given. You have fed us with mercy. Now send us out to live it, to notice those others overlook, to love without keeping score, and to recognize Christ in our neighbors. Hold us in your love as we go from this place, ready to serve and to give thanks. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

## Closing Hymn

*Holy Woman, Graceful Giver* ACS #1001, One License

Sing vs. 1, 2, 4



1 Ho - ly wom - an, grace - ful giv - er, proph - et,  
2 Like the ves - sel, we are bro - ken; like the  
3 In these jars is hid - den trea - sure, cost - ly  
4 Ho - ly wom - an, cost - ly trea - sure, with the



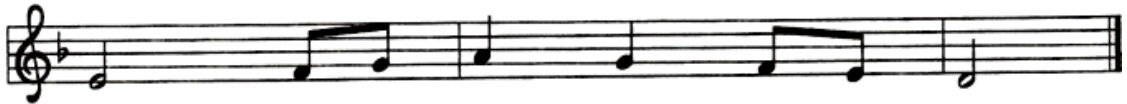
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oint - ment, we are to - ken of God's lov - ing un - to  
fra - grance, Christ - ly plea - sure, like the Christ, first from the  
jar of al - a - bas - ter, shows the hid - den gift we



jar, rose up near the time ap - point - ed, broke the  
death; like the wom - an, we are serv - ing; like the  
dead, bro - ken for cre - a - tion's whole - ness, poured out  
are; there - fore let us as Christ's ser - vants hold our



seal, Christ's head a - noint - ed for the com - ing fa - tal  
scold - ers, ill - de - serv - ing such a rich, for - giv - ing  
for its com - ing full - ness, Proph - et, Ser - vant, Hope, and  
sis - ter in re - mem - brance, wom - an with the oint - ment



hour,            for the        com - ing        fa - tal        hour.  
faith,           such a        rich,        for -        giv - ing        faith.  
Head,          Proph - et,    Ser - vant,    Hope, and    Head.  
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## **Benediction**

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Coffee is served today by Cindy McConnell

**Next Sunday, March 8: Celebrant & Preacher:** Rev. Kally

## **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.

### **PRAYER NEEDS**

Please keep these people in your prayers: Karen Newcomb's family, Lori, Sandy G., Bob C., Alice H., Chris Y., Courtney and the Hall family, Carol M., Bonnie G., Whitney M., Nancy J., Marvin P., Woody K., Lloyd S., Cliff R., Gina T., Jett A., Rachel, Sharon B., Rich D., Dianne, Curtis S., Melissa J., Dave & Katie R., Sheree, Karin B., Andy E., Carol D., Thomas W., Scott J., Lauren B., Carol F., Jennie F., Erik E., Lynne E., Betsy M., Amber F., Olivia L., and Aedan.

### **UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS AT SCF**

March 1            10:00 AM - Worship service, Pastor Kally Elliott  
March 8            10:00 AM - Worship service, Pastor Kally Elliott  
March 8            2:00 PM – Hunter Noack Benefit concert for Scholarships  
March 10           10:00 AM to 12:00 PM, Walking Alongside Dementia Workshop  
March 14           3:00 PM to 6:00 PM, Art Gallery Reception  
March 15           10:00 AM - Worship service, Pastor Kally Elliott  
March 17           10:00 AM to 3:00 PM - Red Cross Blood Drive  
March 22           10:00 AM – Worship service, Pastor Barry Heath  
March 29           10:00 AM - Palm Sunday worship service, Pastor Barry Heath

### **LENTEN DEVOTIONAL**

A Lenten Devotional booklet is available in both regular print and large print. They are on the coffee counter and on the little round table with the four blue chairs in the lobby.

## **MEMORIAL SERVICE**

The memorial service for Karen Newcomb is scheduled for **Sunday, April 12**, at 2:00 PM. It will be in the SCF Sanctuary. A reception is being planned for after the service.

Kathy McClanahan, Karen Newcomb's daughter, is looking for 2 rooms that might be available to house Karen's relatives mid-March. If you are able to help Kathy out during this difficult time please text her directly at 541-420-2925 for specific details. Your help would be so greatly appreciated.

## **WALKING ALONGSIDE DEMENTIA**

We are hosting a free training and conversation for caregivers, families and friends interested in learning more about dementia and how to walk alongside someone who may be going through it. According to the Alzheimer's Association, more than seven million Americans are living with dementia.

The workshop will be held on **Tuesday, March 10**, at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.. There is no charge for the event. The workshop still has room available. Please RSVP to: [info@sunriverchristianfellowship.org](mailto:info@sunriverchristianfellowship.org) if you plan to attend. For more information, see the article in the newsletter.

## **CIRCLE THE DATE FOR ART IN THE CIRCLES**

Art in the Circles is a new quarterly event to bring community members together in Sunriver's four art spaces and showcase the wide range of art being created and displayed. It premieres the afternoon of **March 14**, right here in our gallery. Visitors can view the current show and add to a community art project, *Gathering Joy*, being put together by our gallery committee. Join us here between 3 - 6 pm, then explore the other exhibits at Artists' Gallery Sunriver and Betty Gray Gallery. A full schedule is in our SCF newsletter and on flyers.

## **HUNTER NOACK CONCERT**

**If you would like to prepay for a ticket** and avoid waiting in line to buy a ticket, Ronda has a Square (a payment system for credit card payments), or you can write a check. She will be available on Sunday after the church service.

**There are still seats available** for the Hunter Noack concert! We would love to have everyone that wishes to attend and make a **donation of any amount** to the Scholarship Fund... regardless of the size of your donation we want you to come and enjoy the concert. If you know any students or young musicians, encourage them to reserve a seat and enjoy the concert as a part of our community outreach!! Please be sure to reserve a seat ahead of time using the information below.

- Date: March 8, 2026
- Time: 2:00 PM

Please email [scholarships@sunriverchristianfellowship.org](mailto:scholarships@sunriverchristianfellowship.org) with the following information:

Your name, phone number, number of people attending

Thank you for your support!

## **BLOOD DRIVE**

SCF is hosting a blood drive on **March 17** from 10AM -3PM. If you are able to give, please visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter Sunriver Christian Fellowship to schedule an appointment. You can also call Red Cross at 1-800-733-2767 or send an email to Steve Phares at [phares\\_7@msn.com](mailto:phares_7@msn.com).

## **FLOWERS FOR 2026**

If you would like to bring flowers for a worship service, please contact Joan Lewis at [officemanager@sunriverchristianfellowship.org](mailto:officemanager@sunriverchristianfellowship.org). to schedule a date.  
Thank you for making our worship space beautiful and meaningful!

## **ARE YOU SIGNED UP TO RECEIVE OUR EMAILS AND NEWSLETTERS?**

Did you know SCF sends out a newsletter every week? We also send emails as needed to let the congregation know about things not in the newsletter such as scams, office closed, holiday closures, notes from Pastor Kally or Joan, etc. If you are not receiving them and would like to, email Joan Lewis at [officemanager@sunriverchristianfellowship.org](mailto:officemanager@sunriverchristianfellowship.org). to sign up.

## **MANAGING BOARD**

The SCF Managing Board meets monthly at SCF at 1:30 p.m. The next meeting is on **March 24**. All are welcome to attend.

## **SCAN TO DONATE**

Simply scan the code and it will take you directly to the SCF donation page.



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