WE ARE Called
A warm welcome to Holy Spirit Lutheran Church. This community seeks to follow Jesus’ call to all-encompassing inclusivity and hospitality. People of every race, ethnic background, social and economic status, physical or mental ability, religious faith tradition or lack thereof, and all members of the LGBTQ+ community are welcome. Our commitment to this is reflected in our identity as a “Reconciling in Christ” congregation. By embracing diversity, HSLC seeks to practice, learn, and embody what God desires for the whole world, knowing all people are marvelously and wonderfully made in the image of God.

If you are a first-time visitor, this church community welcomes you! Please complete the welcome card found in the back of the chair in front of you and place it in the offering plate. If you would like more information about Holy Spirit, you’ll find brochures with individual ministries and programs on the kiosk in the entrance lobby.

Welcome cards help us know you were here! All are invited to complete a card and place it in the offering plate. For regular attendees, you need only indicate your name, and then any updates of contact information. Prayer requests can be made on the back of the card.

Holy Communion is God’s feast for all people. Everyone is welcome. During this meal, ordinary bread and wine become extraordinary, filled with the presence of Christ which nourishes all lives. Directions on how to participate are offered when the meal is prepared.

We have an assisted listening system installed in our sanctuary. It is compatible with personal hearing aids with the setting “T”. Portable receivers and headsets are also available in the sound booth at the back of the sanctuary, or from an usher.

Nursery care is available during worship services. You are welcome to use the nursery for all or part of the service. The nursery is designed for children under age 4, and you can find it down the long hallway adjacent to the church office.

Masks are welcome, but no longer required. In line with King County’s guidance, we no longer require masks beginning with today’s worship services. However, we continue to welcome mask-wearing whenever and wherever appropriate for each of you. As you make your decisions for each event at Holy Spirit, please consider your own personal circumstances and risk level.

As we begin worship, we kindly ask that you please silence your cell phone.

Visit www.hslckirkland.org for more about Holy Spirit Lutheran Church

HSLC Mission Statement

We believe we are called by the Holy Spirit to proclaim and embody the compassionate, challenging, and inclusive love of God revealed in Jesus Christ.
Easter initiates a new day. It anticipates a new heaven and a new earth. The risen Christ is making all things new. In the mystery of holy baptism God has made new people of us. Today Jesus invites us to see everyone in a new light—through the lens of love.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation. Amen. Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God’s mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, O Living One, for you have created all, and you water the earth abundantly. Rivers and streams bless you.

All life is sustained by you, our Source. We praise you for Christ, the firstborn from the dead, who raises us up to new life. Here at this font, we touch the river of the water of life.

Here, death is washed away forever. Here, we are grafted into the tree of life, with leaves for the healing of the world.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on this community, and throughout all creation. Cleanse us from our fears and drown our divisions.

Grant that all may drink of your mercy and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.
Invocation

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth, breathing life into all creatures.

ALL:

Come into us, Holy Spirit!

In the beginning God created the people of the earth, naming humanity the embodiment of the divine presence.

ALL:

Come into us, Holy Spirit!

In the beginning God guided the darkness over the earth, leading it into light, forming a communion from the chaos.

ALL:

Come into us, Holy Spirit!

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be: God, give us life.

Opening Prayer

Leader sings first time.

Upper voices join second time. All join third time.

In the name of God the Creator In the name of Christ the Redeemer In the name of the Guiding Spirit

Alleluia Amen
Prayer of the Day

O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Let’s all be seated.
First Reading

In defense of his earlier baptism of non-Jewish believers, Peter demonstrates to the members of the Jerusalem church that God's intention to love Gentiles as well as Jews is revealed in Jesus' testimony. In this way the mission to the Gentiles is officially authorized.

1 Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. 2 So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, 3 saying, “Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?” 4 Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, 5 “I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. 6 As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. 7 I also heard a voice saying to me, ‘Get up, Peter; kill and eat.’ 8 But I replied, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ 9 But a second time the voice answered from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, you must not call profane.’ 10 This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. 11 At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. 12 The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. 13 He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, ‘Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; 14 he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.’ 15 And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. 16 And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ 17 If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?” 18 When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, “Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.”

Ancient Word, Resurrected Wisdom. Thanks be to God!

Psalm

Psalm 148

1 Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise God in the heights.
2 Praise the Lord, all you angels; sing praise, all you hosts of heaven.
3 Praise the Lord, sun and moon; sing praise, all you shining stars.
4 Praise the Lord, heaven of heavens, and you waters above the heavens.
5 Let them praise the name of the Lord, who commanded, and they were created,
who made them stand fast forever and ever, giving them a law that shall not pass away.

7Praise the LORD from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps;

8fire and hail, snow and fog, tempestuous wind, doing God’s will;

9mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars;

10wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds;

11sovereigns of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the world;

12young men and maidens, old and young together.

13Let them praise the name of the LORD, whose name only is exalted, whose splendor is over earth and heaven.

14The LORD has raised up strength for the people and praise for all faithful servants, the children of Israel, a people who are near the LORD. Hallelujah!

Second Reading

Revelation 21:1-6

John’s vision shows us that in the resurrection the new age has dawned; God dwells with us already. Yet we wait for the time when the tears that cloud our vision will be wiped away. Then we will see the new heaven, new earth, and new Jerusalem.

1I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. 2And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

“See, the home of God is among mortals.
He will dwell with them;
they will be his peoples,
and God himself will be with them;
4he will wipe every tear from their eyes.
Death will be no more;
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
for the first things have passed away.”

5And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” 6Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.”

Ancient Word, Resurrected Wisdom. Thanks be to God!
Gospel Acclamation

Please stand as you are able to greet the gospel.

The Holy Gospel

After washing the disciples' feet, predicting his betrayal, and then revealing his betrayer, Jesus speaks of his glorification on the cross. This deep complicated love of Jesus, even to death on the cross, will be the distinctive mark of Jesus' community.

31 When he had gone out, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. 32 If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. 33 Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ 34 I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. 35 By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Pastor Gina Herman
1 Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea, day by day his clear voice sound-ing, saying, "Christian, follow me":
2 As of old Saint Andrew heard it by the Galilee-an lake, turned from home and toil and kindred, leaving all for Jesus' sake.
3 Jesus calls us from the worship of the vain world's golden store, from each idol that would keep us, saying, "Christian, love me more." pleasures, "Christian, love me more than these."
4 In our joys and in our sorrows, days of may we hear your call, give our hearts to your o-bid-ence, serve and love you best of all.
Affirmation of Faith

Together, let’s affirm our trust in God.

We believe in God above us,  
maker and Sustainer of all life,  
of sun and moon,  
of water and earth,  
of all living things.

We believe in God beside us,  
Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh,  
born of a woman, servant of the poor,  
tortured and nailed to a tree.  
A man of compassion, he died forsaken;  
He descended into the earth  
to the place of death.  
On the third day he rose from the tomb;  
He ascended into heaven  
to be everywhere present;  
And his kingdom will come on earth.

We believe in God within us,  
the Holy Spirit of Pentecost fire,  
life-giving breath of the church,  
spirit of healing and forgiveness,  
source of resurrection and eternal life.  
Amen.

Prayers of the People

Made alive in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God’s creation, saying: Risen Christ, in your mercy, hear our prayer.
Sharing the Peace

The peace of God be always with you.

And also with you.

Bearing in mind public health social distancing guidelines and the personal comfort of those around you, please share a friendly sign of God’s peace and reconciliation with others and then be seated.

Musical Offering

Offertory Song

What Have We to Offer?

What have we to offer? What have we to bring?

Love, ripe with laughter; hope that we can sing;
dreams of what we’re after; promises of when.

Lay it at the altar then.

What have we to offer? What have we to give?

Lives we will live.
Offertory Prayer

God of life,
you give us these gifts of the earth,
these resources of our life and our labor.
Take them, offered in great thanksgiving,
and use them to set a table
that will heal the whole creation;
through Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

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 God thanks and praise.

We are here because Jesus has called us –
strangers and friends,
locals and visitors,
believers and doubters,
the certain and the curious.

It is always a mixed company that Jesus gathers and invites to his table where, in bread and wine, he meets us,
and through him we, who are different,
are joined to each other.

So come,
not because you understand,
but because you are understood.
Come,
not because of how you feel,
but because God has food for you.

Come,
not because you deserve a place,
but because Jesus invites you, just as you are.

This sacrament began on the night of Jesus’ arrest, when he and his disciples gathered around a table.
During their meal, Jesus took bread, and when he had blessed it, he broke it and said, ‘This is my body. It is given for you. Do this to remember me.’

Later he took a cup of wine, and when he had blessed it he said, ‘This cup is the new relationship with God made possible because of my death. Drink it, all of you, to remember me.’

So now we do as Jesus did and commanded us to do. We take this bread and wine, the ordinary things of the world which Christ makes holy, and as he said a prayer before sharing, we do too:

**The Lord’s Prayer**

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.

**Communion Distribution**

All are welcome to God’s meal, where ordinary bread and wine become extraordinary, filled with Christ’s presence. Ushers will direct you to one of the stations in front. Communion will be by intinction. You will receive a wafer, which you may dip into the chalice with wine, or with juice, then eat. Wafers at the center of the plate are gluten free. If you avoid gluten, please take one for yourself. If you would prefer not to receive communion, please feel free to remain seated or come forward for a blessing. Please indicate your desire for a blessing by crossing your arms. Children are welcome to receive communion or a blessing.
Lamb of God

1. Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of all the world today, have mercy on us, risen Lord, and heal us with your living word.

2. Lamb of God, who gave your soul to see a broken world made whole; in death you left us bread and wine. In life you bid us come and dine.

3. Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of holy Son, and bring us peace when day is done.

Hymn during Distribution

Alleluia! Christ is Arisen

¡Aleluya! Cristo resucitó

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

de madrugada el domingo.

Bright is the dawning of the Lord’s day.
Post-Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you, and give you peace.

Thanks be to God!
Generous and faithful God, you have fed us at your table.
May the nourishment we have received enable us to enrich the lives of others wherever we go from here.
Whether the future be dark or bright, the road be smooth or rough, whether our cares be light or heavy, our song be strong or weak; keep our hearts warm and our hands open, our lives ever embracing and ever embraced by your love. Amen.
Sending Hymn

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

1. Now all the vault of heav’n resounds
2. E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,
3. Oh, fill us, Lord, with dauntless love;
4. A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring

in praise of love that still abounds: “Christ has
therefore our heart with rapture sings: “Christ has
set heart and will on things above that we
and with the heav’n-ly blessed sing: “Christ has

tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!” Sing, choirs of
tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!” Now still he
con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -
tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!” Be to the

angels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all
fi - cient for life’s day that by our lives we tru - ly
Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly

here: “Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!”
strife. “Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!”
say: “Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!”
God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Dismissal

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude
This worship bulletin is intended to be used at all three services today. Please leave it on your seat after the 8:00 and 9:30 worship. We would appreciate it if those attending the 11:00 service would return them to the ushers in the narthex after worship. Large print bulletins are available from the ushers. Feel free to take home the announcement inserts for your personal use.

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