

ORDER OF SERVICE

May 15, 2022

10:00 AM



PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Eternal God, you loved us and set us free from our sins; you love us still with that love that will not let us go, and you will love us forever. We worship you as the only true lover of our souls. Cause us to remember the depth of your love for us in Christ, and embolden us to serve others in Christ's name. Amen.

PRELUDE

Linda Clugston, Organ

CALL TO WORSHIP

Chancel Bell Choir

"The God of Abraham Praise"

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Emily Mitchell

OPENING RESPONSIVE PRAYER

Edna Bulaong

One: God of the past, who has created and nurtured us,

All: **we are here to thank you.**

One: God of the future, who is always ahead of us,

All: **we are here to thank you.**

One: God of the present, who is here in the midst of us,

All: **we are here to thank you.**

One: God of life, who is beyond us and within us,

All: **we rejoice in your glorious love.**

SONGS OF PRAISE

Worship Band

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell" #220

"Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Edna Bulaong

Forgive our faithlessness, O faithful God!

**And see beyond our apathy, our thoughtlessness,
our self-centeredness, our wrong choices.**

See into our hearts, for you are our treasure. Amen. *(silence for personal reflection)*

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Edna Bulaong

PASSING THE PEACE

Edna Bulaong

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

"WE ARE THE FAMILY OF GOD"

Worship Band

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

TESTIMONY

Marilyn Wirtz

SCRIPTURE PRESENTATION: John 21:15–19 (CEB)

Edna Bulaong

SERMON: Unlocking Keychain Leadership

Emily Mitchell

OFFERING: "Grazioso"

Chancel Bell Choir

PASTORAL PRAYER & SUNG LORD'S PRAYER

SONG OF SENDING

"The Summons"

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

Dinner and a Movie: "The Social Dilemma"

// Viewing parties for fellowship and discussion

The Growing Young core group is facilitating gatherings to watch the 2020 Netflix documentary "The Social Dilemma" in light of the discussion of empathy in the book, "Growing Young." A study guide to help you consider the influence of social media on all of us is also available.

Currently the viewing parties are scheduled for 6:30 pm on

- Sunday, May 22 (Edmonds)
- Wednesday, May 25 (Shoreline)
- Wednesday, June 8 (Shoreline).

Space is limited for each date, but more dates may be set up if there is enough interest.

Use the sign-up sheet near the offering box, or sign-up online at <https://signup.com/go/LqsvJao>.

Questions? Want the study guide? Contact [Janet Peterson](#).

The Mosaic Cross

We invite you to join us in completing our community art project in the foyer, a colorful mosaic cross that was started on Good Friday.

As we each choose a piece of broken glass, we remember that Jesus was broken on the cross so that our own sin and brokenness might be restored. As we glue these beautiful colors onto the cross, we reflect on how God is redeeming all of creation.

God's story of redemption and restoration continues to unfold. God is at work in us as the family of God. Each of us is a unique gift of God that shines

when we participate together in God's unfolding story. This colorful cross reminds us that the family of God is a beautiful glimpse of God's New Creation yet to come (2 Corinthians 5:17-21); we are invited, as the body of Christ, to participate in God's Kingdom come, here on earth, now (Ephesians 3:14-21).



Below is a repeat from the Stories of Faith column from the Friday April 29 email.

Core Truths

// by Emily Mitchell

"What are the three spiritual truths you want your child to know before they reach the age of 18?"

That was the question posed by the Rev. Traci Smith during a Zoom webinar I attended with her in late February. She gave us a couple of minutes to reflect and write down our responses. Afterwards, she shared her three spiritual truths that she hopes her kids will know (which may be different than yours, and that's totally fine!):

1. that God loves you unconditionally;
2. that everyone is made in the image of God; and
3. that Jesus commands you to love God and to love your neighbors as yourselves.

She then shared some very practical ideas of how we could communicate our most important spiritual truths to our loved ones. One idea was a sticker chart. Now, some families have a sticker chart and kids "earn" a sticker when they do a chore or when they are successful in being potty-trained, etc. But Smith's idea was having a big chart with

every day of the week listed and, at the end of each day, a sticker is placed next to that day. Whether it had been a good day or a bad day, the child got a sticker – a signal of unconditional love: you are alive, you are here, and you belong to this family. Gold star!

I love this idea because I often live as if God's love is conditional, that I need to have a "good day" in order to merit a gold star sticker. Although I haven't gotten out an actual sticker chart out for myself, I'm grateful that I have this image of a sticker chart to meditate on these days: whether I was productive or not today, whether I was well-behaved or not today, this does not change God's disposition towards me. God is saying, "I love you. You belong to me. Rest in my favor which you cannot earn."

I pray that you also can find rest in the knowledge that God loves you unconditionally and that you can extend that unconditional love to all those who God has entrusted to you!



Happy Birthday!

Ameek George.....	May 17
Lynn Burwell.....	May 18
Grace Biney.....	May 23
Franchot Fenske.....	May 23
Marlene Lager.....	May 23
Susan Leonhardi.....	May 23
Bruce Thiemens.....	May 24
Lucia Chase.....	May 25
Toko Weaver.....	May 25
Suzu Anwar.....	May 29



Upcoming Events

Neil's Sabbatical.....	until Aug 01
Pentecost Party.....	June 04
Pool Party.....	July 30