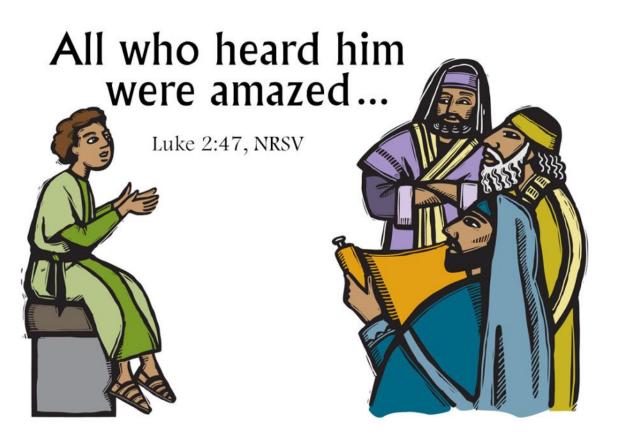
Life Long Learning June 4, 2023





FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 4, 2023

10.00 am

Today you follow in the footsteps of so many generations who came before you . . . and step into a future made brighter by your love for your faith, your family, and your community." ~ traditional Bar Mitzvah/Bat Mitzvah blessing

PRELUDE

Judy Widrig

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We love children in worship — their noises and wiggles are welcome, too. There are pillows in the front where they can see the instruments and participate fully, or the coloring, book, and play area is available in the corner near the windows. Their movements back and forth are a joy for us.

RINGING OF THE BELL

THE STORY

Scout Mitchell

- One: Shout for joy! Sing God's Glory! Give glorious praise!
- All: How awesome are your deeds!
- One: Come and see what God has done!
- All: How awesome are your deeds!
- God brought the people from slavery to freedom. One:
- All: How awesome are your deeds!
- God has tested us, tried us, and brought us to this place. One:
- A11: How awesome are your deeds!

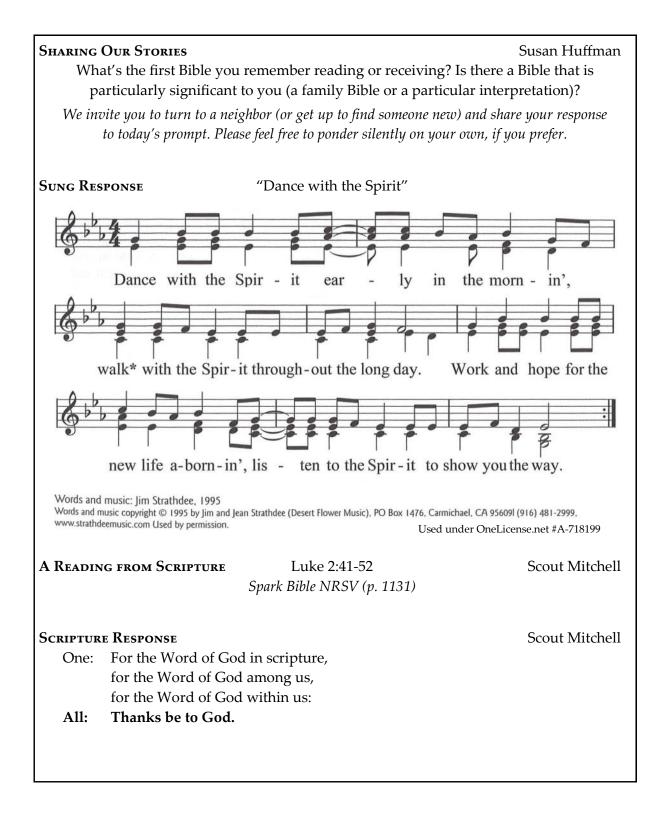
*Rise in body or spirit

Davi Weasley

Sharon Benton

*Call to Worship





Bridging from Fifth Grade to	Ted Huffman			
SUNG RESPONSE 742 "Gathered Here in the Mystery of this Hour"		Gathering Chant		
Honoring Our Graduates		Davi Weasley		
Anthem	"Go to the World" by Karen Marrolli	Chancel Choir		
Moment for Mission	Wear Orange Day	Liz Hjelmseth		
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Sharon Benton The Prayer of Jesus We invite you to use the language for God that is most comfortable for you: "Our Creator," "Our Father" or "Our Mother."				
Our CreatorAnd lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, hallowed be thy name.Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth 				
	"Spirit of the Living God"	-		
A Reading from Scripture	The Boy at the Temple <i>Spark Story Bible (p. 320)</i>	Scout Mitchell		

Scriptur	e Response		Scout Mitchell
One:	For the Word of God in scriptur	e,	
	for the Word of God among us,		
	for the Word of God within us:		
All:	Thanks be to God.		
Presenti	ng Family Story Bibles to Thre	e Year Olds to 2nd Graders	Sharon Benton
*Нумп 35	51 "I Was There to H	ere Your Borning Cry"	Borning Cry
T 2) Mail 6 3)	ON TO OFFERING "Strengthen the O here are several options for giving: 1) checks to First Congregational Churc) Use the Breeze app. Download from) Give by text. Text a dollar amount 5) Scan the QR code to the rig	Give at our website, https://fccb.r h, 2401 Cornwall Avenue, Belling your app store, set up an account	gham, WA 98225. ;, and give! ir account.
Offering	Music		Judy Widrig
	Children who would like to brin	g the communion elements to the	table
		1 and Ted in the Narthex now.	
Sacrame	NT OF HOLY COMMUNION	Davi Weasley &	z Sharon Benton
Sung	Invitation	-	
0		e, Let Us Bring	
		willia & Marty Haugen	
	Come let us bring o	our gifts to God in praise,	
	So that we might m	inister in countless ways.	
	6	e warm and fragrant bread, God's people might be fed.	
	6	the sweet, abundant wine. te the joy of grace divine.	
	If you're joining us from home	e, gather something to eat and drin meet us wherever we are.	1k;

remain seated, som	in person today, you may come forward to receive comm eone will come around to you in your seat. Raise a hand on as they come around. If you come forward you will be	or indicate that you
If ye	ou're worshiping at home, gather something to eat and dr the risen Christ will meet you right where you are.	rink:
Communion Music		Judy Widrig
*Нумп 411	"Praise the Source of Faith and Learning"	Procession
*Benediction		Davi Weasley
Postlude		Judy Widrig

After worship today please join us for a church school celebration in the Social Hall and then the Wear Orange Day event in the south parking lot, beginning at 11:30 am.



Open and Affirming (ONA): As an Open and Affirming congregation believing in a loving God, all people are welcome in this church without regard to gender, race, ethnicity, economic or social status, sexual orientation, or gender identity.

We Try To Use Language which will help people feel included in our worship. Since not everyone is comfortable with the same language, we invite you to amend the words of the service as we sing and pray if they do not adequately express your faith. We invite you to assist us in creating new expressions of our common faith and life together.

Technical Support: If you need help streaming our worship services or connecting in other ways, please let us know.

Appointments with Pastoral Staff

Pastoral staff are available by appointment virtually, or in person with masks. Contact them by email or call the pastoral care line, 360-733-4255.

Sharon sharon@fccb.net

Davi: davi@fccb.net

You can also email our Office Manager Cydne at **office@fccb.net** and she'll pass your message on.

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LEAD PASTOR: Sharon Benton, she/her PASTOR: Davi Weasley, they/them INTERIM MINISTERS OF FAITH FORMATION: Ted, he/him & Susan Huffman, she/her MINISTER OF MUSIC: Lucy Bledig, she/her ORGANIST: Judy Widrig, she/her ACCOUNTANT: Erin Kennedy, she/her OFFICE MANAGER: Cydne Cochran, she/her CUSTODIAN/MAINTENANCE: Kurt Aagard, he/him WORSHIP MEDIA COORDINATOR: Georgia Drost, she/they MODERATOR: Mark Schofield VICE MODERATOR: Scott Ward, he/him PAST MODERATOR: Beth Tyne CLERK: Janet Malley **TREASURER:** Craig Jennings HISTORIAN: Stacy Miller OneLicense #A-718199 CCS #12615

