

St. Augustine's

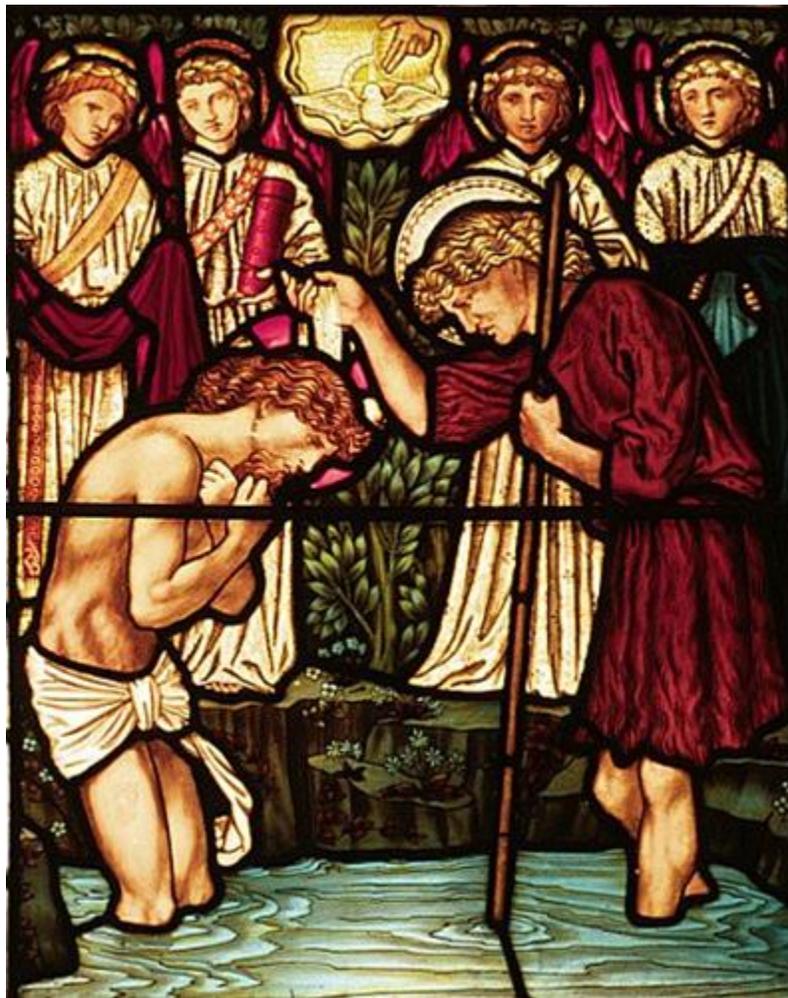
In The Woods



An Episcopal Church serving Whidbey Island

Compassion - Commitment - Community - Reverence - Reconciliation

A Greening Congregation



First Sunday after the Epiphany

Baptism of Jesus

Year B - January 10, 2021

The Holy Eucharist Rite Two

Prelude Welcome, Son of Mary *Nu Sijt Willekome*
(16th C. Dutch Carol) Setting by Christopher Uehlein (1931-2019)

Prayer for those Celebrating Birthdays

Presider and People: **Watch over these your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Prayer for those Celebrating Wedding Anniversaries

Presider: God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you; the Lord mercifully with his favor look upon you, and fill you with all spiritual benediction and grace; that you may faithfully live together in this life, and in the age to come have life everlasting. **Amen.**

Acclamation

Presider: Blessed are you, O God, the light of the world.

People: **You reveal your glory to the nations. Amen.**

1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Jes - us, Lord, to thee we raise,
2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Pro-phet, Priest, and King su - preme;

man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far;
and at Ca - na, wed - ding-guest, in thy God-head man - i - fest;

branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem;
man - i - fest in power di - vine, chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;

an - thems be to thee ad-dressed, God in man made man-i - fest.
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Collect of the Day

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

Lesson Genesis 1:1-5

Reader: A reading from the Book Genesis.

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 29

1 Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, *
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

**2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; *
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.**

3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; *
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.

**4 The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; *
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.**

5 The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; *
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

**6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**

7 The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; the voice of the LORD shakes
the wilderness; *
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

**8 The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe *
and strips the forests bare.**

9 And in the temple of the LORD *
all are crying, "Glory!"

**10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; *
the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.**

11 The LORD shall give strength to his people; *
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Epistle Acts 19:1-7

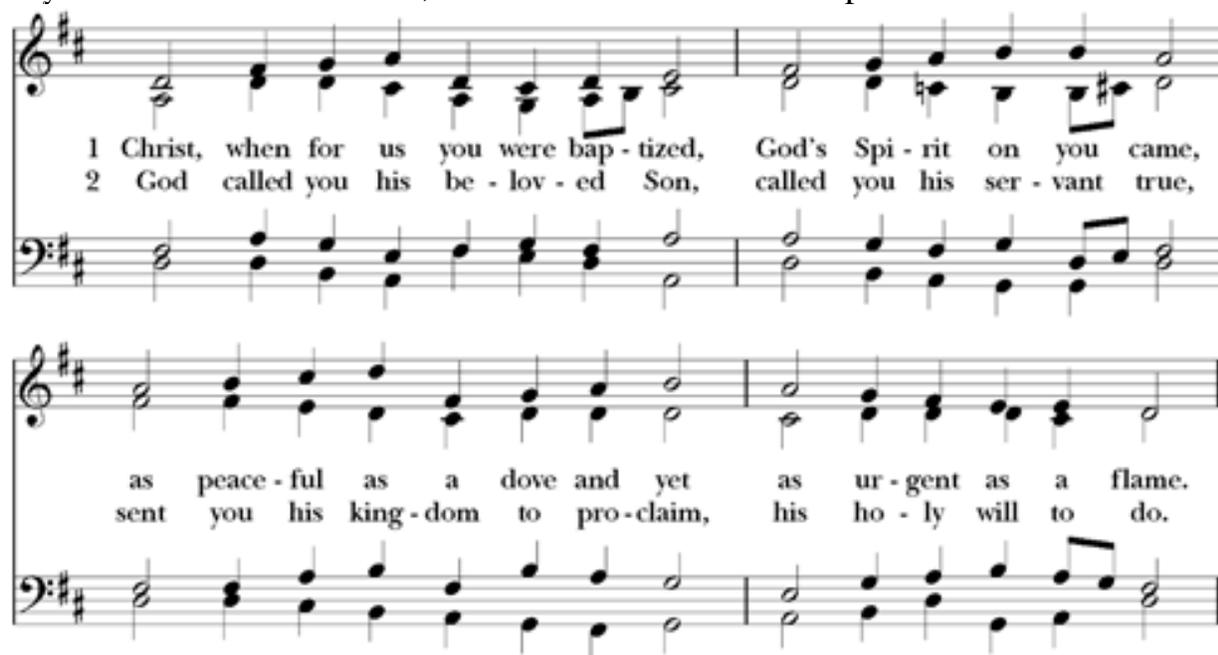
Reader: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied-- altogether there were about twelve of them.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn: H121 Christ, When For Us You were Baptized *Caithness*



1 Christ, when for us you were bap-tized, God's Spi-rit on you came,
2 God called you his be-lov-ed Son, called you his ser-vant true,
as peace-ful as a dove and yet as ur-gent as a flame.
sent you his king-dom to pro-claim, his ho-ly will to do.

The Holy Gospel: Mark 1:4-11

Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark

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

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop

down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon Bill Skubi

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Presider: Let us join together and renew our own baptismal promises.

Pause

Do you believe in God the Father?

People: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Presider: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Presider: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: **I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Presider: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of the Earth and every human being?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Amen.

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Presider blesses the water, first saying

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Presider: We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Presider touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever.
Amen.

The Prayers of the People

O God, we know you understand the needs, the fears, and the rage people have. God of peace, we ask that hate and violence don't stand. We ask that you cultivate in our hearts grace. Turn our fears and rage into hope and empathy that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart [and especially the hearts of the people of this nation], that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Receive our prayers for our nation.

Pause in silence

Attend with your deep compassion, O Lord, those who suffer in mind, body or estate for the spirit of healing. We pray for everyone who has been affected by this severe virus. Many mourn the loss of loved ones and many more are terrified as they see or have seen their friends and family become sick through the virus. We pray for all those injured, affected, or killed by the violence at our Capitol, including Capitol Hill police officers, Members of Congress and their staffs, Capitol Hill staff, and journalists.

Receive our prayers for those who suffer.

Pause in silence

We pray for all those whose work is essential to our safety and well-being especially we give you thanks for doctors, nurses, health care workers, police, military, and those who care for our physical, spiritual and emotional life.

Receive our prayers for those who protect us.

Pause in silence

We pray for open eyes to see, ears to hear, minds to comprehend, and hearts to feel the cumulative hurt, pain, and sense of injustice so many in our country experience, particularly the poor, for those who sleep on the streets and all who feel marginalized or estranged. Pray for all who are unemployed and who seek meaningful work. Especially we pray for all who have lost their jobs and we pray for the owners of small businesses who have had to close their doors. Give us your spirit to help support them and organizations that are also supporting them as Christ did.

Receive our prayers for those who are less fortunate.

Pause in silence

We pray for open eyes to see, ears to hear, minds to comprehend, and hearts to feel the cumulative hurt, pain, and injustice so many in our country experience, particularly our black, ethnic minority, and Native American brothers and sisters. May we use what we witness as a catalyst to work for positive, meaningful, and durable change in our country.

Receive our prayers for those who are our brothers and sisters.

Pause in silence

We pray for the earth, your creation entrusted to our care: For the animals and birds, the mountains and oceans, and all parts of your creation that have no voice of their own. Stir up in us a thirst for justice that protects the earth and all its resources, that we may leave to our children's children the legacy of beauty and abundance that you have given us.

Receive our prayers for your Creation.

Pause in silence

We pray those who have died, grant to the dying peace and a holy death, and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved. Remember also those killed in war, both foreign and domestic.

Receive our prayers for the dead and bereaved.

Pause in silence

We offer prayers to heartfelt thanks for all the blessings of this past week which we name now.

Receive our prayers for the blessings you have given us.

Pause in silence

As our bishop Greg has asked, let us be in our words, actions, and life a reflection of the One we follow. That Spirit and Way of Love is our hope, our strength, our foundation.

Receive our prayers for your guidance.

My sisters and brothers, is there anything else for which we should pray?

People pray silently or aloud

Holy One, our needs are known to you before we ask: Help us to ask that which accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Presider: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Absolution

Presider: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

The Offertory

O Lord our God, you are worthy to receive glory and honor and power; because you have created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being.

1 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the
 2 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the
 3 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the

blood of Christ our king: heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing his
 tomb with Christ our king: one with his ris - ing, freed and for -
 sign of Christ our king: born of the Spir - it, we are God's

prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
 giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
 chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

The Great Thanksgiving ~ Eucharistic Prayer II

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

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

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

People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to

live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Sanctus S-125

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is The One who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come. We offer to you our gifts of bread and wine and ourselves a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with Augustine and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

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,

for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the notes.

“Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev - er be hun - gry.
OR Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hun - ger.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.”
Je - sus Christ, ris - en Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst.

Presider: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Holy things for holy people.

Those experiencing this liturgy at home are invited to pray:

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, we long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory, and particularly for the blessings given us. We believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since we cannot at this time receive communion, we pray you to come into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with all our hearts, ours souls, and our minds. Let nothing separate us from you; let us serve you in this life until, by your grace, we come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

Come Lord Jesus, and dwell in my heart in the fullness of your strength; be my wisdom and guide me in right pathways; conform my life and actions to the image of your holiness; and, in the power of your gracious might, rule over every hostile power that threatens or disturbs the growth of your kingdom, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

Silence is kept

The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. **Amen.**
The Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. **Amen.**

Post-Communion Prayer

Presider: Let us pray.

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn:H295

Sing Praise to Our Creator

Christus, der ist mein Leben

1 Sing praise to our Cre - a - tor, O you of Ad-am's race—
2 To Je - sus Christ give glo - ry, God's co - e - ter - nal Son;
3 And praise the Ho - ly Spi - rit poured forth up - on the earth;

God's chil - dren by a - dop - tion, bap - tized in - to his grace.
as mem - bers of his Bo - dy we live in him as one.
who sanc - ti - fies and guides us, made strong in our re - birth.

Dismissal

Presider: Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

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

Postlude

The Bells of Christmas

Nathan Jensen (b. 1968)

Prayer List for St. Augustine's:

Eric Reid, Nancy Pendergast, Ianna King, Lorainne Bayes, Blythe Hewitt, Alex Roe, Andrea Roe, Beth & Mark Gearhart, Barbara Self, Barbara Houston, Kathryn Rickert, Lori Morrison, Fr Valery, Greg Murphy, Brian Van Wetter, Julie Bird, Joy & Craig Johnson, Sylvia Brooksbank, David Roe, Paul Loudon, Lydia Coats, Colleen Corbett, Deacon Dennis & Linda McManis, Kris Jaeger, Lisa Rohlfing, Debby Denno, Katie Reid, Diana Lindsey, Levi Doss, Amanda King, Jim Christiansen, Carole Halsan, Debbie Wright, Peter Martin, Pete & Nettie Snyder, Katrina, Nadia, & Derek, Marianne Tuttle & family, Chris Lubinski, Ed Klein, Roger Howarth, Tom Bauling, Sydney McCready, Vina Kazsmarcek, Ray Kazsmarcek, LaurieJean, Nancy Cox, Babs & Gary Stone, Margaret Schultz, Peggy Mitchell, Nancy Paris, Tim Smith, Audrey Taie & family, Elliot Kearns & family, Austin Skubi, Lynn Willeford, Gavin Campbell, Ana Kinkaid, Suzy Palmer, Mark Halloran, John Meyer, Talia Petosa, Gary Smith, Janie Warren, Jonathan Morgan & Dana Bublitz, Ruth Epstein, Dannette Masterson, Cary Dial, Jill Uhacz, Diana Klein, Vickie Russo, Rick Schutte, Jim Ramler, Marjorie Portin, Christen Herman, Dean Muncey, John Meyer, Lance Lidral, Laura Whiteway, Carol Ryan, Dale, Johanna, and Trevor Arnold.

Prayers for people who work on the front lines:

All those who are in the food supply chain, the farm workers, processors, delivery folks and the people in our local grocery stores
David Rickert Vollan - Physical Therapist
Allison Wortman - Nurse at Virginia Mason Hospital, Seattle
Hillary Yeomans - Home Healthcare Worker
Karen Fay - Psychiatric Nurse, VA Hospital, Seattle
Maureen Masterson - Compass Health
Renee Wilson, Nurse, Columbus Regional Hospital, Columbus, IN
Cheyenne Wilson, Nursing Asst, Columbus Regional Hospital, Columbus, IN
Tommy Hanson - US Naval Hospital
Keith - Paramedic
Dawn Meyer, Psychologist, Seattle
Mark Taylor, Healthcare worker
Alysia Doss - ICU Nurse
Paulette Bishoff, Nurse
Christopher Doss, Home Health worker
Diana DiBiase, VA Hospital, Seattle
Liviya Thoreson Whyte, Hospitalist Providence
Lisa Dillon Lantz, Nurse
Amber Halligan, ICU Nurse

Sean Plattner - firefighter EMT
Matt Idso, Scientist - Institute for Systems Biology
Cricket Farr, Full Life Care, Seattle
Amy Breuninger, Healthgiver
Kenny Downs - Naval Air Station Whidbey Island
Denny Huff, Firefighter
April Wooderson - ER Nurse
Brook Wooderson - Police Dept.
Heather Wooderson - Police Dept.
Candra Ramezani - Firefighter
Lynsey Barker - Vascular Access Team at Swedish First Hill
Austin Skubi - Social Worker - Providence, Everett
The staff of Providence, Everett
Karen Eaton - Social Worker UW Hospital
Melissa Anthony EMT - Vancouver, WA fire department
Peggy Sinclair E.R. nurse Port Townsend WA
Staff at Careage, Coupeville, WA
Marshall Corson, Cardiologist UW Hospital
Kelly Jo Sandri, MD, Truman Hospital Missouri
Lesa Bjork, RN, ICU Harborview
Michela Mattens, Nurse, Providence Everett
Debra Shreckenghost, ICU Nurse
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