

Worship – May 17th, 2026

7th Sunday of Easter/Ascension Sunday

Prelude

Welcome

Responsive Call to Worship

Easter people, in this season of Eastertide, we remember the blessings God gives us—the blessings of Resurrection, salvation, and new life in Christ.

We come to praise God for the blessings of Easter!

We recall the blessings of creation—of clean air and water, of food and shelter, of beauty and awe.

We come to praise God for the blessings of creation!

We share in the blessings of community—of family and friends, of church and home, of help that is given and received.

We come to praise God for the blessings of community!

Easter people, we gather today to remember Christ's Ascension, when Jesus was taken up into heaven while blessing his disciples, marking not the end but the next chapter of God's salvific work among us.

We come to bless God with our praise as God continues to bless us with all that we need to live as God's Resurrection people. Thanks be to God! Amen.

--by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, October 2025

Opening Prayer:

Risen Christ, be present in our lives and in our worship. Help us recognize and celebrate your presence. Grant us the power of your Holy Spirit, that we may answer the call to be your disciples and bring your message of love to the world. Amen.

--from The Abingdon Worship Annual 2024, Mary Scifres

Opening Song: *Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise* UMH 312, vs. 1, 3, 4

Affirmation of Faith: A Modern Affirmation UMH 885

(Leader) *Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is the one true Church, apostolic and universal, whose holy faith let us now declare:*

(All) We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power and love, whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will is ever directed to his children's good. We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the Father's unfailing grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.

We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need. We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.

Passing the Peace

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Scripture: Ephesians 1:15-23 NRSVue

(reader) *The Word of the Lord!*

(All) Thanks be to God!

Hymn: *Rejoice the Lord is King*

UMH 715, vs. 1, 2, 4

Scripture: Luke 24:44-53 NRSVue

(reader) *The Word of the Lord!*

(All) Thanks be to God!

Message: *Living the Sequel*

Song of Response: *10,000 Reasons*

Matt Redman

Invitation to Offering

Offertory:

Doxology – Hymn 94

(continued) ...

Offertory Prayer

Opportunities Coming Soon! (Announcements)

Blessing (Benediction)

Closing Song: *The Blessing*

***Please join us for Coffee Fellowship
after the Worship service***

Our Staff:

*Pastor: Rev. Kim Poer
Office Administrator: Nancy Volgamore
Music Director: Matthew Compton
Accompanist: Josh Billings
Family Ministries: Tiffiney Nordby
Preschool Director: Ashley Skelton
Youth Ministries: Lacey Kelley*

TODAY'S SERVANTS:

*Reader: Don Hardy
Greeters: Pam Copeland & Faye Wells
Ushers: Phyllis Browning & Laurie Doering
A/V Booth: Bill Berta, Dan Kingsley & Brian Poer
Information Desk: Maggie Mikalatos
Sunday School Volunteer: Kathy Hardy & Lynne Nieda
Coffee Hosts: Richard & Karen Beilsmith*

Salmon Creek United Methodist Church
12217 NE Hwy 99
Vancouver WA 98686
360-573-3111
www.salmoncreek.church
Facebook: **Salmon Creek Church**

Salmon Creek United Methodist Church
May 17th, 2026
7th Sunday of Easter/Ascension Sunday



*We are a welcoming United Methodist Church congregation that
worships together as disciples of Jesus Christ,
uniting in fellowship, missions and service.*