

ALKI UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

February 21, 2021

The First Sunday in Lent



**We are a church where Jesus the healer meets Jesus the revolutionary,
and where together, we grow a just and peaceful world.**

Gathering Music	Betsy Stelzer, Accompanist
Welcome	Rev. Kelly Wadsworth
Call to Worship	Cinda Stenger, Liturgist
Opening Song	<i>Holy, Holy, Holy</i> John B Dykes, Reginald Heber, Ronn Huff
Scripture	Genesis 9:8-17, the story of God's covenant with Noah.

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

Sermon	Pastor Kelly
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Sung Response

Again We Keep This Solemn Fast Gregory the Great
Again we keep this solemn fast, a gift of faith from ages past
This Lent, which binds us lovingly to faith and hope and charity

We pray, O blessed Three-in-One, our God while endless ages run,
That this, our Lent of forty days, may bring us growth and give you praise

Offering Prayer

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Offering Music

Love Has Come French Carol Melody, words by Ken Bible

Closing Prayer**Moment of Ministry**

Worship & Music Team

Announcements**Third Hymn**

How Can I Keep from Singing? American Folk Song, music by Robert Lowry
Introduced by Pastor Kelly

Benediction**Postlude**

Alki UCC Sunday worship is recorded for posting on YouTube.

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