

### **ALKI UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

November 6, 2022

Order of Service for the Worship of God

All Saints Sunday Communion Sunday

Gathering Music Becky Cain, Accompanist

Bethany Bevier, Guitar

Welcome Rev. Emily Tanis-Likkel

**Call to Worship:** Rev. Penny M, Liturgist

Come, a great cloud of witnesses surrounds us as we gather.

May the lingering echo of saints resound in our songs.

May their stories open a space for the Spirit to enter us anew. In remembering them, may we find ourselves re-membered.

May the God of every generation form us anew for this generation.

And may a new joy rise in our lives and in the life of the world.

**Musical Response** In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified Bob Kilpatrick

In my life Lord be glorified, be glorified

In my life Lord, be glorified today.

In Your church Lord be glorified, be glorified In Your church Lord, be glorified today.

#### **Prayer for Transformation**

God, we get caught up in the busyness of life, and we forget to notice:

your presence, the wonders of your Creation, your blessings in our lives.

God, we become overly focused on the past, and we get distracted...

from your presence, from the wonders of Creation, and your blessings in our lives.

God, we find ourselves worried about the future, and we get distracted...

from your presence, from the wonders of Creation, and your blessings in our lives.

Forgive us, God. Help us to notice your presence. Help us to realize your goodness. Help us to remember how you guide us. Help us to trust you with our futures. Amen.

#### **Words of Grace**

Hear and receive this affirmation from God's words spoken by the prophet Haggai: "Take courage, all you people of the land... for I am with you. According to the promise that I made when you came out of Egypt, my spirit abides with you. Do not fear."

**Opening Song** # 84, This is the Day (music after service order)

**Scripture Readings** Psalm 145

Re-imagined by Alicia T. Crosby in The Words of Her Mouth: Psalms for the Struggle

Kin-dom. Family. Assembly of relatives who approach the holy of holies boldly in varied tongues and postures: I don't see you as my king but as my God, my beloved divine parent. Kings get replaced, and imperial function is antithetical to the radical love of your justice. I refuse to speak of a thing that doesn't reflect who I understand you to be. Blessed be my Creator: the God so devoid of ego that they topple hierarchies and cast vision for power that can be shared. Blessed

be the Holy One who hovers over the deep in me and calls forth life with me, as she did at the dawn of creation. Blessed be the Ancient of Days whose divine affection is present in so many things, but often in and through the care of your children. It is of you and the kin-dom formed in your name that I will speak, so long as blood courses through my veins and breath occupies my body. May we grow in love, grow in wisdom, and grow in grace as we work in unity for your sake; May the generations commend to one another the family of God; may it provide resource and refuge for them in their times of need, forever and ever.

Isaiah 65:17-25, NRSV

**Sermon** "Where's the Amen?"

**Quiet Meditation** 

**Song** Here I am, Lord (music after service order)

#### Prayers of the People

Musical response:

God, listen to your children praying. God, send your Spirit in the place;

God, listen to your children praying,

Send us love, send us power, send us grace.

Sung response after each prayer petition:

God, listen to your children praying,

Send us love, send us power, send us grace.

### **Prayer of Jesus**

Our Loving God in heaven, hallowed be your Name,

Your kin-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the dominion, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

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**In Person:** Collection plates are passed during worship. If you use an offering envelope, take one from the plate as it's passed.

#### **Musical Offering**

**Doxology** #778 (music in hymnal)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ and Spirit, One. Amen.

### **Prayer of Dedication**

#### **Holy Communion for All Saints Day**

Tender, transforming God, you have invited us to gather at this table . . . We glorify you.

One Bread, One Body (entire song next page)

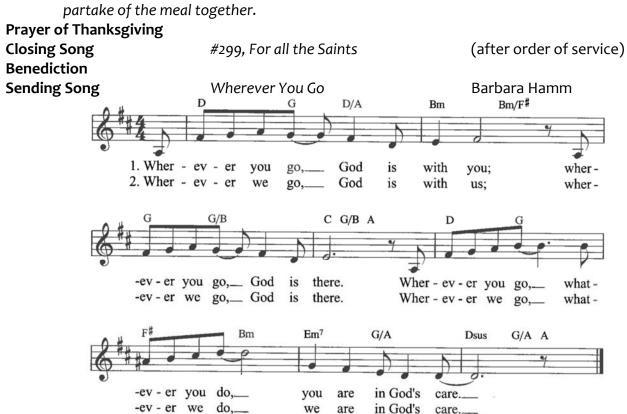
John Foley, S.J.



#### **Remembering Those Who Have Died**

- ... This is the mystery of our faith: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. One Bread, One Body (refrain)
- ... make us one with the saints, our siblings in faith around the world. One Bread, One Body (refrain)

You are invited to come forward to light candles for loved ones who have died, as well as receive a gluten-free cracker and grapes. Please hold the elements until all have been served. We will



we

are

care.

# This Is the Day

Ps. 118:24; Luke 24:1-7; Acts 2:1-4

St. 1 paraphr. by Les Garrett, 1967; alt.

St. 2-3, traditional; alt.



The first stanza of this hymn was written by Leslie Garrett, who was born in New Zealand and served as pastor of a church in western Australia. The other two stanzas are anonymous.

Tune: THIS IS THE DAY Irr. Les Garrett, 1967

## HERE I AM, LORD

TEXT: BASED ON ISAIAH 6.





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