



# ALKI UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

March 12, 2023

Order of Service for the Worship of God

## Third Sunday in Lent

### Gathering Music

Becky Cain, Accompanist  
Bethany Bevier, Guitar

### Welcome

Rev. Emily Tanis-Likkel

### Call to Worship

Rev. Dr. Keith T

Liturgist

(responsive)

We gather together—

**the seekers, the dreamers, the shooting-star wishers,  
in hopes of seeing God.**

We gather together—

**the curious, the hungry, the loving, the lonely,  
in hopes of finding peace.**

We gather together—

**those who are thirsty and those with water to spare,  
in hopes of finding justice.**

So come to the well,

come to the table.

Come, let us worship God. Amen.

### Sung Response

*Wait for the Lord*

Jacques Berthier

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.

Musical notation for the first part of the sung response, featuring a treble and bass clef staff with lyrics: "Wait for the Lord, whose day is near."

Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!

Musical notation for the second part of the sung response, featuring a treble and bass clef staff with lyrics: "Wait for the Lord: be strong, take heart!"

### Prayer for Transformation

### Words of Grace

### Opening Song

#18 Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer (music at end)

**Scripture Readings****Exodus 17:1-7, The Message**

Directed by GOD, the whole company of Israel moved on by stages from the Wilderness of Sin. They set camp at Rephidim. And there wasn't a drop of water for the people to drink. The people took Moses to task: "Give us water to drink." But Moses said, "Why pester me? Why are you testing GOD?" But the people were thirsty for water there. They complained to Moses, "Why did you take us from Egypt and drag us out here with our children and animals to die of thirst?"

Moses cried out in prayer to GOD, "What can I do with these people? Any minute now they'll kill me!"

GOD said to Moses, "Go on out ahead of the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel. Take the staff you used to strike the Nile. And go. I'm going to be present before you there on the rock at Horeb. You are to strike the rock. Water will gush out of it and the people will drink."

Moses did what he said, with the elders of Israel right there watching. He named the place Massah (Testing-Place) and Meribah (Quarreling) because of the quarreling of the Israelites and because of their testing of GOD when they said, "Is GOD here with us, or not?"

**John 4:7-15, The Message**

A woman, a Samaritan, came to draw water. Jesus said, "Would you give me a drink of water?" (His disciples had gone to the village to buy food for lunch.) The Samaritan woman, taken aback, asked, "How come you, a Jew, are asking me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?" (Jews in those days wouldn't be caught dead talking to Samaritans.)

Jesus answered, "If you knew the generosity of God and who I am, you would be asking me for a drink, and I would give you fresh, living water."

The woman said, "Sir, you don't even have a bucket to draw with, and this well is deep. So how are you going to get this 'living water'? Are you a better man than our ancestor Jacob, who dug this well and drank from it, he and his sons and livestock, and passed it down to us?"

Jesus said, "Everyone who drinks this water will get thirsty again and again. Anyone who drinks the water I give will never thirst—not ever. The water I give will be an artesian spring within, gushing fountains of endless life."

The woman said, "Sir, give me this water so I won't ever get thirsty, won't ever have to come back to this well again!"

**Testimony**

Bonita C

**Quiet Meditation****Song***With Joy You Shall Draw Water*

Bob Hurd

(music at end)

**Prayers of the People****Sung Response***O Lord, Hear Our Prayer**(next page)*

### Time, Talent and Treasure

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**Announcements** (please post announcements in the Zoom chat)

**Offering Invitation**

**Musical Offering**

**Doxology** #778  
 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**

**Closing Song** #539, *Won't You Let Me Be Your Servant?* (music at end)

**Benediction**

**Hospitality Hour**



**Note:** Many of the music selections you'll hear at Alki UCC during Lent are Taizé (pronounced: tay-zay), a prayerful form of music known for its simple, yet rich and meditative character. Taizé music comes from the Taizé Community, a French ecumenical religious community founded in 1940.

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# Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer

Exod. 13:21; 16:4; 17:6; Ps. 105:39-44; Rev. 22:1-2

William Williams, 1745

St. 1, transl. Peter Williams, 1771; alt.

St. 2-3, transl. William Williams, 1772; alt.

1 Guide me, O my great Re - deem - er, pil - grim through this  
2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, where the heal - ing  
3 When I reach the Riv - er Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land; I am weak, but you are might - y;  
wa - ters flow. Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar  
fears sub - side. Death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion,

hold me with your power-ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,  
lead me all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer,  
land me safe on heav - en's side. Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es

feed me till I want no more, feed me till I want no more.  
ev - er be my strength and shield, ev - er be my strength and shield.  
I will ev - er sing to you, I will ev - er sing to you.

John Hughes, a railroad official by trade, composed this tune for the 1907 anniversary of Capel Rhondda, Pontypridd, Wales. Cwm Rhondda refers to the "low valley" area surrounding the urban district of Rhondda in southern Wales.

Tune: CWM RHONDDA 8.7.8.7.8.7.7.

John Hughes, 1907

Alternate setting: ZION

# WITH JOY YOU SHALL DRAW WATER

Bob Hurd

## REFRAIN




With joy you shall draw wa-ter, with joy you shall draw wa-ter \_

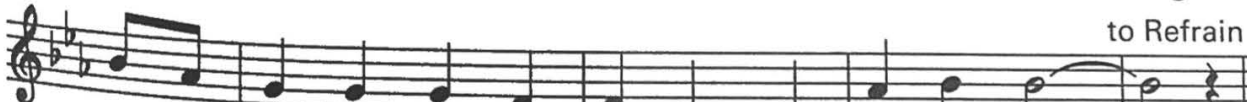


— from the foun-tain of God's mer-cy, from the well-spring of love. *Fine*

## VERSES



1. Come, all who are thirst-y, come and drink this liv - ing wa - ter,  
2. I saw wa - ter flow-ing from the side of God's own tem-ple,  
3. This wa - ter I give you shall be - come a flow - ing riv - er,  
4. May this liv - ing wa - ter con - firm us in our call - ing



to Refrain

1. come and rest be - side the riv - er of heal-ing love. \_\_\_\_  
2. from the wound-ed heart of Je - sus, who died for us. \_\_\_\_  
3. well - ing up from deep with - in you, e - ter - nal life. \_\_\_\_  
4. to be Christ to one an - oth - er and all the world. \_\_\_\_

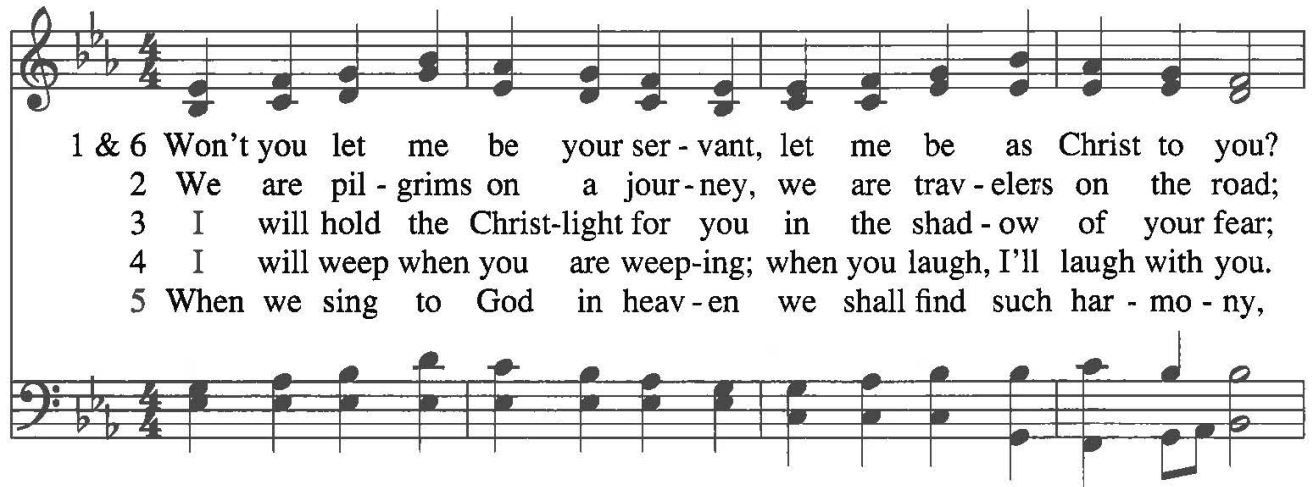
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# Won't You Let Me Be Your Servant?

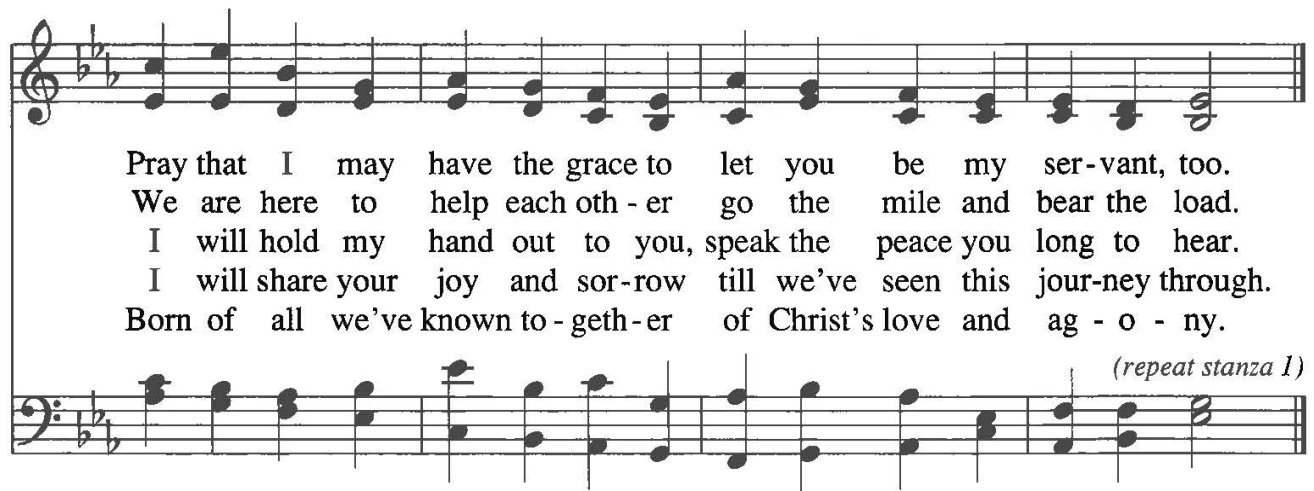
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Richard Gillard, 1977; alt.

Rom. 12:9–18; Col. 1:24–29



1 & 6 Won't you let me be your ser - vant, let me be as Christ to you?  
2 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, we are trav - elers on the road;  
3 I will hold the Christ-light for you in the shad - ow of your fear;  
4 I will weep when you are weep - ing; when you laugh, I'll laugh with you.  
5 When we sing to God in heav - en we shall find such har - mo - ny,



Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my ser - vant, too.  
We are here to help each oth - er go the mile and bear the load.  
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.  
I will share your joy and sor - row till we've seen this jour - ney through.  
Born of all we've known to - geth - er of Christ's love and ag - o - ny.

(repeat stanza 1)

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