

ALKI UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

August 27, 2023

Order of Service for the Worship of God Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering Music Unraveling Toon DJ Wilson

DJ Wilson, Interim Music Director

Refrain: Unravel, unravel, unraveling Toon.

A folk song way to look at what's true.

Soon we'll be able to see, As soon as we unravel.

Verse:

Crossover, cross under, crossover, repeat.

Open up spaces, open up times, open up ideas yours and mine.

Welcome Rev. Emily Tanis-Likkel

Sung Response Holy Ground Geron Davis

We are standing on holy ground,

and I know that there are angels all around.

Let us praise Jesus now.

We are standing in God's presence on holy ground

Call to Worship Joe M, Liturgist

We come here to draw water—

Thirsty for new life.

We come here to draw water—

Bringing our past and our present, our messy truths and our deepest scars.

We come here to draw water—

Carrying shame, and in need of grace.

Fortunately for us, God always meets us at the well.

So breathe deeply and drink up. **God is here. The water is clean.**

Let us worship God.

Opening Song Come to the Water, v 1-4 Ray Makeever (music at end)

Prayer for Transformation

Words of Grace

Gathered Here

Gathered here in the mystery of this hour

Gathered here in one strong body

Gathered here in the struggle and the power

Spirit draw near

Encounter at the Well Script: Reverend Joan Carter Music: DJ Wilson

Based on John 4:1-29 The Spiritual Travelers **Invitation to Congregation** Pastor Emily and Reverend Joan Carter

(You are invited to write down something that needs healing in your life on a small piece of paper, and then float it in a container of water)

Song We Are Women at the Well Cathy Tisel Nelson (music at end)

Prayers of the People

Time, Talent and Treasure

Announcements Please post announcements in Zoom chat.

Offering Invitation

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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

Sending Music Go Now in Peace Traditional

Go now in peace, go now in peace May the love of God be with you Ev'ry-where, ev'ry-where you may go.

Benediction Rev. Joan Carter

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Come to the Water





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