



ALKI UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

November 12, 2023

Order of Service

for the Worship of God

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY

AFTER PENTECOST

Gathering Music	<i>Arise, arise! you slumbering sleepers</i> Appalachian Folk Song Stephen Anthony Rawson, Music Director
Prelude	All Are Welcome Marty Haugen
Welcome	Rev. Emily Tanis-Likkel
Sung Response	<i>Holy Ground</i> 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	Marilynn M, Liturgist (responsive) (Inspired by <i>Wisdom of Solomon</i> 6:12-16) Wisdom is radiant and unfading, and she is easily discerned by those who love her, and is found by those who seek her. We come to you, Wisdom, seeking knowledge and understanding. We remember your marvelous acts and faithful instruction. We come to you, Wisdom, as you have been near to us. We trust in your guidance and place our hope in you. We come to you, Wisdom, to worship and to serve.
Opening Song	<i>Gather Us In</i> Marty Haugen Here in this place new light is streaming Now is the darkness vanished away See in this space our fears and our dreamings Brought here to you in the light of this day Gather us in, the lost and forsaken Gather us in, no longer ashamed Call to us now and we shall awaken We shall arise at the sound of our name We are the young, our lives are a mystery We are the old who yearn for your face We have been sung throughout all of history Called to be light to the whole human race Gather us in, the rich and the haughty Gather us in, the proud and the strong Give us a heart so meek and so lowly Give us the courage to enter the song

Not in the dark of buildings confining
Not in some heaven light years away
But here in this place the new light is shining
Now is the kingdom, now is the day
Gather us in and hold us forever
Gather us in and make us your own
Gather us in, all peoples together
Fire of love in our flesh and our bones

Prayer for Transformation

Words of Grace

Scripture

Matthew 25:1-13

Jesus said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

Sermon

"Keep Watch"

Quiet Meditation

Song

#164, *Arise, Your Light Is Come*, vs 1-4 Ruth Duck (music at end)

Prayers of the People

Time, Talent and Treasure

Announcements

Please post announcements in Zoom chat.

Ministry Team Moment:

Faith Formation

Offering Invitation

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Musical Offering

Keep Watch and Pray

The Porter's Gate

Doxology

#27, *Lasst Uns Erfreuen*

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

Prayer of Dedication

Closing Song

#524, *This Little Light/This Joy I Have*

African-American Spiritual

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

This joy I have, the world didn't give it to me
This joy I have, the world didn't give it to me
This joy I have, the world didn't give it to me
No, the world didn't give it, the world can't take it away

Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine
Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine
Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

Benediction

Sending Music

Give Me Oil in My Lamp (Sing Hosanna)

Traditional Hymn



Liturgy adapted from *Wisdom: Service Prayers
for the Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost*
by The Rev. Dr. Cheryl A. Lindsay,
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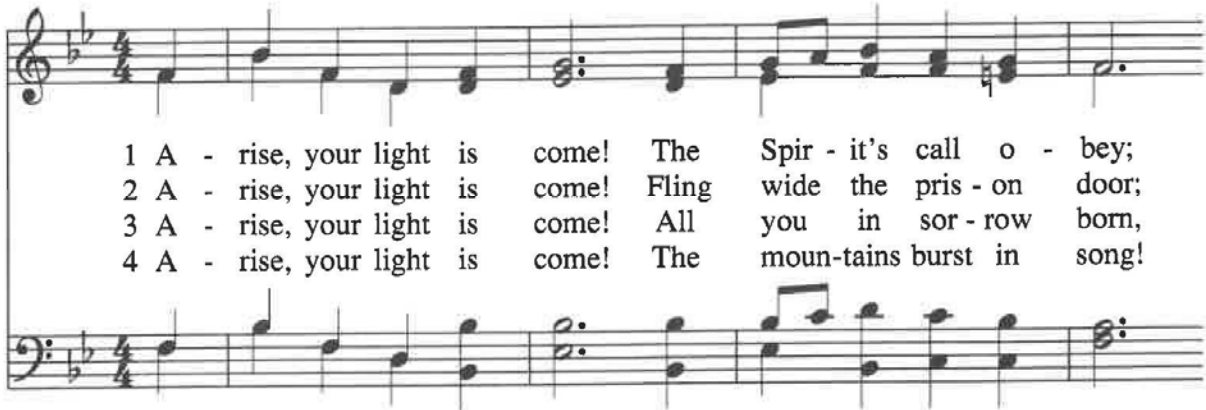
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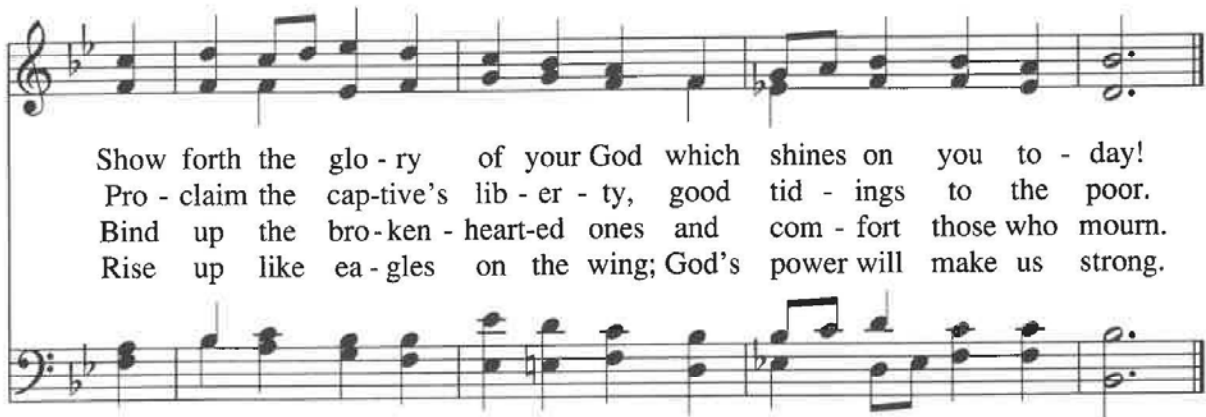
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Arise, Your Light Is Come

*Isa. 60:1; 61:1-2; Luke 4:14-21**Ruth Duck, 1973*


1 A - rise, your light is come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;
 2 A - rise, your light is come! Fling wide the pris - on door;
 3 A - rise, your light is come! All you in sor - row born,
 4 A - rise, your light is come! The moun-tains burst in song!



Show forth the glo - ry of your God which shines on you to - day!
 Pro - claim the cap-tive's lib - er - ty, good tid - ings to the poor.
 Bind up the bro-ken - heart-ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.
 Rise up like ea - gles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.

This hymn was first published by the Ecumenical Women's Center of Chicago in the 1974 collection of hymn adaptations, Because We Are One People. Ruth Duck later included it in her own collection, Dancing in the Universe.

Tune: FESTAL SONG S.M.
 William Walter, 1872

This Little Light/This Joy I Have

Matt. 5:14-16

African-American spiritual

1 This lit-tle light of mine, I'm gon-na let it shine.
 1 This . . . joy I have, the world did-n't give to me.

I am gon - na let it, let it shine,
 oh, the world did not give to me,

This lit - tle light of mine, I'm gon-na let it shine.
 This joy . . . I have, the world did-n't give to me.

This lit - tle light of mine, I'm gon-na let it shine,
 This . . . joy I have, the world did-n't give to me.

Hal - le-lu - jah,
 Hal - le-lu, the

let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, (oh let it shine.)
 No, the world did-n't give it, the world can't take it a - way.