

ALKI UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

April 7, 2024 Order of Service for the Worship of God

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Here's My Heart

Gathering Music

Prelude Rock of Ages Thomas Hastings

Welcome and Land Acknowledgment Rev. Emily Tanis-Likkel

Centering Song

#236 Hallelujah





Call to Worship

Rod P, Liturgist

(responsive)

Jesus said,

"Follow me."

Jesus said,

"Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Jesus said,

"Forgive seventy times seven."

Jesus said,

"Feed my sheep."

In response, we say:

"Here's my heart.

Take and seal it.

Seal it for thy courts above."

Let us worship God with all our hearts.

Opening Song All Are Welcome Marty Haugen (All music at end)

Prayer for Transformation

Words of Grace

Scripture: John 21:1-19

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples.

Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach, but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he had taken it off, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them, and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord.

Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you."

Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

Testimony

Quiet Meditation

Song #459, Come, O Fount of Every Blessing

Prayers of the People

Testimony of Faith

(unison)

We believe in a God who shows up in our lives—
surprising and catching us off-guard in the best of ways.
We believe in a God who cares for God's people—
a shepherd who longs for her sheep to be fed and tended.
We believe in a God who took on flesh—
a God whose love changed the world as we know it.
We believe that this here-and-now God invites us out of the boat,
calling ordinary people like Peter, like us, into a life of service and community.
And so we give our hearts. We give our whole hearts and nothing less.
Amen.

Reception of New Members

Do you, the members of Alki United Church of Christ, receive these people into full membership of this church?

We do! We gladly welcome you into this community of faith, enfolding you with our love and committing ourselves to your care. It is in our relationship with one another, as well as in our worship, study, and service, that the life of this church is built. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may we grow together as disciples of Jesus Christ, courageously sharing God's love with each other and the world.

Time, Talent and Treasure

Celebrations Birthdays and anniversaries in April

Song #775, Eagle's Wings

And God will raise you up on eagle's wings,

Bear you on the breath of dawn, Make you to shine like the sun,

And hold you in the palm of God's hands.

Mission Updates

Offering Invitation Online: Please donate generously through *alkiucc.org*, through a mailed donation to the church office or through text-to-give by texting the word "AlkiUCC" to 44321; a donation link will come back to you. Your support for Alki is more important than ever.

Musical Offering What a Friend We Have in Jesus arr. Dolly Parton

Karen Bachman and Stephen Anthony Rawson

Doxology 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

Holy Communion You are invited to partake of your own Bread and Cup

Communion Songs #332, As We Gather at Your Table Carl P. Daw, Jr.

As we gather at your table, as we listen to your word,

Help us know, O God, your presence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.

Nourish us with sacred story till we claim it as our own;

Teach us through this holy banquet how to make Love's victory known.

#330, Let Us Break Bread Together African-American Spiritual

Let us break bread together on our knees; Let us break bread together on our knees.

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,

My God, have mercy on me.

Closing Song #478 I've Got Peace Like a River

Benediction

Sung Benediction #81, God Be With You Till We Meet Again

Sending Music

All Are Welcome

Marty Haugen





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Come, O Fount of Every Blessing

Ps. 36:7-9 Robert Robinson, 1758; alt. 1 Come, O Fount of ev-ery bless-ing, tune my heart to sing your grace; 2 Here I pause in my so - journ-ing, giv-ing thanks for hav-ing come, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I am drawn a - new! ceas-ing, call for songs of end-less praise. streams of mer - cy, nev-er trust, at ev-ery turn-ing, God will guide me safe-ly home. Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan-dering heart to you. some me - lo-dious son - net, sung by flam-ing tongues a - bove. Teach me strang-er, wan-dering from the fold of God, Je - sus sought me when a from the love I've known: Prone to wan - der, I can feel it, wan-der Praise the mount; I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - fail-ing love. res - cue me from dan - ger, bless - ed bod - y, pre-cious blood. Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for your ver - y

I've Got Peace Like a River



Jeremiah E. Rankin, 1880; alt.

