



## ALKI UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

April 28, 2024

Order of Service  
for the Worship of God  
**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**STEWARDSHIP KICK-OFF**

### “HEALING”

**Gathering Music** Stephen Anthony Rawson, Music Director

**Prelude** *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

**Welcome and Land Acknowledgment** Rev. Emily Tanis-Likkel

**Centering Song** *Give Me Jesus* African-American Spiritual *Music at end*

**Call to Worship** Keith T and Day t-L, Liturgists (responsive)

How might God be asking us to “wash, and be clean?”

**We imagine together!**

How might God be calling us to offer healing?

**We imagine together!**

How might we be immersed in God’s love and emerge restored?

**We imagine together! Let us give thanks for the healing that comes from God.**

**Opening Song** *Way Maker* Sinach

You are here, moving in our midst  
I worship you, I worship you  
You are here, working in this place  
I worship you, I worship you

**[Refrain]**

You are a Way maker, miracle worker  
Promise keeper, light in the darkness  
My God, that is who you are  
You are a Way maker, miracle worker  
Promise keeper, light in the darkness  
My God, that is who you are

You are here, healing every heart  
I worship you, I worship you  
You are here, turning lives around  
I worship you, I worship you  
You are here, mending every heart  
I worship you, I worship you

**Refrain**

Even when I don't see it, you're working  
Even when I don't feel it, you're working  
You never stop, you never stop working  
You never stop, you never stop working  
Even when I don't see it, you're working  
Even when I don't feel it, you're working  
You never stop, you never stop working  
You never stop

### Refrain

## Prayer for Transformation and Words of Grace

### Scripture            2 Kings 5:1-14

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from a skin disease. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his skin disease." So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. And the king of Aram said, "Go, then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel."

He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his skin disease." When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his skin disease? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean."

But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God and would wave his hand over the spot and cure the skin disease! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean?'" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

### Sermon

### Quiet Meditation

Song            #772 *Nada te turbe* (Nothing Can Trouble)

Jacques Berthier

### Prayers of the People

**Prayer of Jesus, reimagined**

(unison)

Divine Parent, who dwells in the vast cosmos,  
May we hold a sense of wonder for Your holy name.  
May Your reign of love and justice manifest among us,  
On Earth, as it is in the shimmering heavens.  
Each day, provide us with the sustenance we need,  
And with the same sense of wonder, let us share our resources with others.  
Forgive our shortcomings as we strive to forgive those of others,  
And guide us along the path of love and wisdom,  
Away from the entanglement of harm.  
For yours is the kin-dom of awe-inspiring wonder,  
The power that fuels the cosmos,  
And the glory that lights up the universe,  
Now and forever. Amen.

**Time, Talent and Treasure**

**Mission Updates**

**Offering Invitation Online:** Please donate generously through [alkiucc.org](http://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** Be Still, My Soul (Finlandia), Jean Sibelius

**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, alleluia!

**Prayer of Dedication**

**Closing Song**

*Wade in the Water*

African-American Spiritual

**Refrain:**

Wade in the water,  
Wade in the water, children,  
Wade in the water.  
God’s gonna trouble the water.

**Benediction**

**Sung Benediction**

*Wade in the Water* (reprise)



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Portions of today’s service are recorded for posting  
on Alki UCC’s YouTube channel.

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# Give Me Jesus

In the morn - ing when I rise, in the morn - ing when I rise,  
 Now the jour - ney has be - gun, now the jour - ney has be - gun,  
 I heard my mo - ther say, I heard my mo - ther say,  
 Dark mid - night was my cry, dark mid - night was my cry,

in the morn - ing when I rise, give me Je - sus. Give me  
 now the jour - ney has be - gun, give me Je - sus.  
 I heard my mo - ther say, give me Je - sus.  
 dark mid - night was my cry, give me Je - sus.

Je - sus, give me Je - sus. You may  
 have all this world. Give me Je - sus.

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*Text: The Taizé Community, 1991*

*Music: Jacques Berthier, 1991*

Am Dm7 G CM7 F Dm6

Na - da te tur - be, na - da te es - pan - te. Quien a Dios tie - ne  
 Noth - ing can trou - ble, noth - ing can fright - en. Those who seek God shall

Esus4 E Am F Dm6 E Am

na - da le fal - ta. So - lo Dios bas - ta.  
 nev - er go want - ing. God a - lone fills us.