

ALKI UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

July 14, 2024 Order of Service for the Worship of God

I've Been Meaning to Ask ... Where are you from?

LAY-LED WORSHIP

Gathering Music DJ Wilson, Guest Musician

Prelude

Welcome and Land Acknowledgment

Musical Call to Worship

melody- measure

DJ Wilson



Call to Worship

May the Peace of Christ be with you!"

(responsive)

And also with you!

Come and see! Come and hear!

We come to see for ourselves who this Jesus person is.

Come and see! Come and hear!

We come with open hearts to experience Jesus

Come and see! Come and hear!

We come to follow Jesus and learn his lessons of living fully and loving deeply

Come and see! Come and hear!

We come to deepen our relationship with God and with each other.

Let us learn, explore, and worship God together!

Opening Song

Welcome to this House

Prayer for Transformation and Words of Grace

Scripture

John 1:35-51

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

Testimony/Sermon

Quiet Meditation

Song

There's a Spirit of Love in this Place

Mark Miller

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (reformulated)

(unison)

Divine Creator, who dwells in the vast cosmos,

Holy is Your Name.

May Your reign of love and justice manifest among us,

Here on Earth, just as it is in the shimmering heavens.

Each day, provide us with the sustenance we need,

And with abundant generosity,

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

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Musical Offering

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

Song #495, Called as Partners in Christ's Service

Benediction

Sung Benediction #499, In all Our Living

Sending Music

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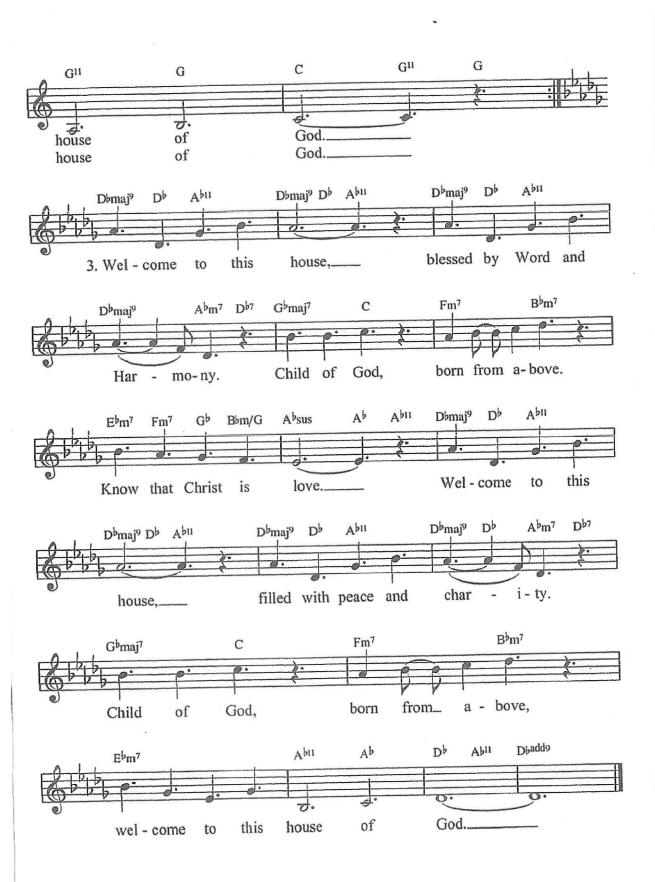
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Welcome to This House





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Called as Partners in Christ's Service

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Jane Parker Huber, 1981 John 15:12-17; Gal. 6:2; Eph. 2:14-22 1 Called as part-ners in Christ's ser-vice, called to min-is-tries of grace, 2 Christ's ex - am - ple, Christ's in - spir-ing, Christ's clear call to work and worth, 3 Thus new pat-terns for Christ's mis-sion, in a small or glob-al sense, So God grant us for to - mor-row ways to or - der hu - man life We re-spond with deep com-mit-ment fresh new lines of faith to trace. Let us fol - low, nev - er fal-tering, rec - on - cil - ing folk on earth. Help us bear each oth - er's bur-dens, break-ing down each wall or fence. That sur-round each per - son's sor-row with a calm that con - quers strife. May we learn the of shar-ing, side by side and friend with friend, art Men and wom-en, rich - er, poor-er, all God's peo - ple, young and old, Words of com-fort, words of vi-sion, words of chal-lenge, said with care, Make us part-ners in our liv-ing, our com-pas-sion to in - crease, E - qual part - ners in our car-ing to ful - fill God's cho - sen end. Blend-ing hu - man skills to - geth-er gra-cious gifts from God un - fold. Bring new power and strength for ac-tion, make us col-leagues, free and fair. Mes - sen - gers of faith, thus giv-ing hope and con - fi - dence and peace.

One of Jane Parker Huber's most widely sung texts, this hymn was originally written for a women's breakfast at the 1981 Presbyterian General Assembly meeting to celebrate the partnership of women and men in service of the church.

Tune: BEECHER 8.7.8.7.D. John Zundel, 1855 For another key, see 43, 368

Pues si vivimos (In All Our Living)

St. 1, Mexican folk hymn; transl. anon.



This anonymous Mexican folk hymn was transcribed by hymnologist Gertrude Suppe after she first heard it sung by two church women visiting California from Mexico. It was published in Celebremos II (1983).

Tune: PUES SI VIVIMOS Irr. Anon.; arr. B. C. M., 1988