



ALKI UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

November 17 2024

Order of Service

for the Worship of God

“Resistance Stories”

Gathering Music	Stephen Anthony Rawson	Music Director
Prelude	<i>Your Word is a Lamp Unto My Feet</i>	Michael W. Smith
Welcome and Land Acknowledgment		Rev. Emily Tanis-Likkel
Call to Worship	Bonita C, Liturgist	(responsive)

Spirit of the Living God, our help in times of trouble

Rise among us, within us, and around us

Wherever there is fear

Give us courage

Wherever there is pain

Make us seekers of healing

Wherever there is evil and oppression

May we protect one another

Through you, O God, all mourning will be turned into celebration

By your Spirit, may we make it so!

Opening Song #68, *God is Truly With Us*

Prayer for Transformation

Scripture Esther 7:1-7 NRSV

The king and Haman went in to feast with Queen Esther. On the second day, as they were drinking wine, the king again said to Esther, “What is your petition, Queen Esther? It shall be granted you. And what is your request? Even to half of my kingdom, it shall be fulfilled.” Then Queen Esther answered, “If I have won your favor, O king, and if it pleases the king, let my life be given me—that is my petition—and the lives of my people—that is my request. For we have been sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be killed, and to be annihilated. If we had been sold merely as slaves, men and women, I would have held my peace, but no enemy can compensate for this damage to the king.”

Then King Ahasuerus said to Queen Esther, “Who is he, and where is he, who has presumed to do this?” Esther said, “A foe and an enemy, this wicked Haman!” Then Haman was terrified before the king and the queen. The king rose from the feast in wrath and went into the palace garden, but Haman stayed to beg his life from Queen Esther, for he saw that the king had determined to destroy him.

Sermon

Quiet Meditation

Song #497, *Guide My Feet*

Prayers of the People

Time, Talent & Treasure

Mission Updates

Offering Invitation

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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, alleluia!

Prayer of Dedication

Closing Song #514, *Over My Head*

Benediction

Sending Music

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