



## ALKI UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

September 7, 2025  
Order of Service  
for the Worship of God  
**with Communion**

### Gathering Music

Daniel Self, Music Director

### Prelude

### Welcome and Land Acknowledgment

Rev. Emily Tanis-Likkel

### Centering Song

*The Presence of Our God is Here*

Kurt Carr

### Call to Worship

Julia C, Liturgist (responsive)

Fashioned together by the hand of God,  
**we are fearfully and wonderfully made!**

Since before we were even born,  
**we have dwelled in the heart of God.**

In our depths, the Sacred resides.

**In our becoming, the Sacred guides us.**

May our lives be a living praise to the Creator,  
**whose love brings us to life!**

### Opening Song

*Draw the Circle Wide*

Mark Miller

### Prayer for Transformation

### Scripture

Jeremiah 18:1-11 *The Message*

GOD told Jeremiah, “Up on your feet! Go to the potter’s house. When you get there, I’ll tell you what I have to say.”

So I went to the potter’s house, and sure enough, the potter was there, working away at his wheel. Whenever the pot the potter was working on turned out badly, as sometimes happens when you are working with clay, the potter would simply start over and use the same clay to make another pot.

Then God’s Message came to me: “Can’t I do just as this potter does, people of Israel?” GOD’s Decree! “Watch this potter. In the same way that this potter works his clay, I work on you, people of Israel. At any moment I may decide to pull up a people or a country by the roots and get rid of them. But if they repent of their wicked lives, I will think twice and start over with them. At another time I might decide to plant a people or country, but if they don’t cooperate and won’t listen to me, I will think again and give up on the plans I had for them.

“So, tell the people of Judah and citizens of Jerusalem my Message: ‘Danger! I’m shaping doom against you, laying plans against you. Turn back from your doomed way of life. Straighten out your lives.’

### Sermon

Rev. Phil Hodson

Designated Conference Minister of the Pacific Northwest Conference UCC

## Quiet Meditation

Song                      *Lords Prayer*

Jamie Brown

## Prayers of the People

### Time, Talent & Treasure

#### Celebrations

#### Mission Update

#### Offering Invitation

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#### Offertory

Doxology                      *Lasst Uns Erfreuen*

#### Prayer of Dedication

Communion Anthem                      *Communion Contemplation*                      Mary Martin                      Alki UCC Community Choir

Communion Song                      Change my heart, O God, Make it ever true.  
Change my heart, O God, May I be like You.  
You are the Potter, I am the Clay;  
Mold me and make me, This is what I pray.  
Change my heart, O God, Make it ever true.  
Change my heart, O God, May I be like You

Communion Invitation                      *You are invited to partake of your own Bread and Cup.*

Closing Song                      *#360, Thuma Mina*

## Benediction

## Postlude



## Welcome Rev. Phil Hodson!



**Rev. Phil Hodson** joined the Pacific Northwest Conference as Acting Conference Minister on February 1, 2024. At a special vote of the Conference, the delegates approved him as the Designated Conference Minister in September of 2024. Phil comes to us from the South Central Conference, where he served as Conference Minister. Before that, he was a local pastor specializing in new church starts and revitalizations. He is passionate about church growth, made possible by sharing our values in the public square. Phil and his wife Joelle are the proud parents of Xander, Xane, Xackary, and Xavier. They currently reside in West Lafayette, Indiana.

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