

ALKI UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

November 30, 2025
Order of Service
for the Worship of God

The First Sunday of Advent
Mary is Everyone: A New Song of Liberation
War No More



Gathering Music

Daniel Self, Music Director

Prelude

Welcome and Land Acknowledgment

Rev. Emily Tanis-Likkel

Centering Song

#O Come, O Come Emmanuel

(Revised with lyrics for Palestine)

O come, o come compassionate Divine,
And ransom captive Palestine
That mourns with tears that will not be soothed
Till empires fall and nations' hearts are moved.

Rejoice! Rejoice! God's justice is at hand
To liberate the people and the land.

Call to Worship

Brett T-L, Liturgist

(responsive)

Echoing the prophets of old,
we tell stories of the days yet to come.

Refusing to dampen our dreams,
we cast our visions of a world alive with life.

Let us be bold in our convictions!

The Holy will be born anew.

The vulnerable will be cherished and protected.

The weary and the worried will find rest.

Let us worship the One who enlivens us toward freedom and flourishing.

Opening Song

#112, Keep Awake, Be Always Ready

Advent Candlelighting

Special Music

The Rose Ola Gjeilo Alki UCC Community Choir

Scripture

Isaiah 2:1-5

NRSVue

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths."

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation; neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

Romans 13:11-14

The Message

Make sure that you don't get so absorbed and exhausted in taking care of all your day-by-day obligations that you lose track of the time and doze off, oblivious to God. The night is about over, dawn is about to break. Be up and awake to what God is doing! God is putting the finishing touches on the salvation work he began when we first believed. We can't afford to waste a minute, must not squander these precious daylight hours in frivolity and indulgence, in sleeping around and dissipation, in bickering and grabbing everything in sight. Get out of bed and get dressed! Don't loiter and linger, waiting until the very last minute. Dress yourselves in Christ, and be up and about!

Sermon

Quiet Meditation

Song

There is a Longing

Anne Quigley

(all music at end)

Prayers of the People

Time, Talent & Treasure

Mission Update

Offering Invitation

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Offertory

Doxology for Advent

(music at end)

Prayer of Dedication

Closing Song

Ain't Gonna Study War No More

African-American Spiritual

Benediction

Postlude

Liturgy adapted from enfolded:
spiritual nourishment for collective liberation
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THERE IS A LONGING

*Refrain (♩ = 76 - 80)

(a tempo)

There is a long-ing in our hearts, O Lord, for you to re -

(a tempo)

poco rall. *a tempo*

veal your - self to us. There is a long-ing in our

poco rall. *a tempo*

poco rall. (∞) *Fine*

hearts for love we on - ly find in you, our God.

poco rall. (∞)

**Verses: Stronger

Melody a tempo

Harmony

1. For	jus - tice,	for	free - dom,	for
2. For	wis - dom,	for	cour - age,	for
3. For	heal - ing,	for	whole - ness,	for
4. Lord	save us,	take	pit - y,	light

poco rall. *a tempo*

1. mer - cy:	hear our prayer.	In	sor - row,
2. com - fort:	hear our prayer.	In	weak - ness,
3. new life:	hear our prayer.	In	sick - ness,
4. in our	dark - ness.	We	call you,

poco rall. *D.C.*

1. in grief:	}	be near, hear our prayer, O God.
2. in fear:		
3. in death:		
4. we wait:		

Advent Doxology

(to the tune of What Child Is This)

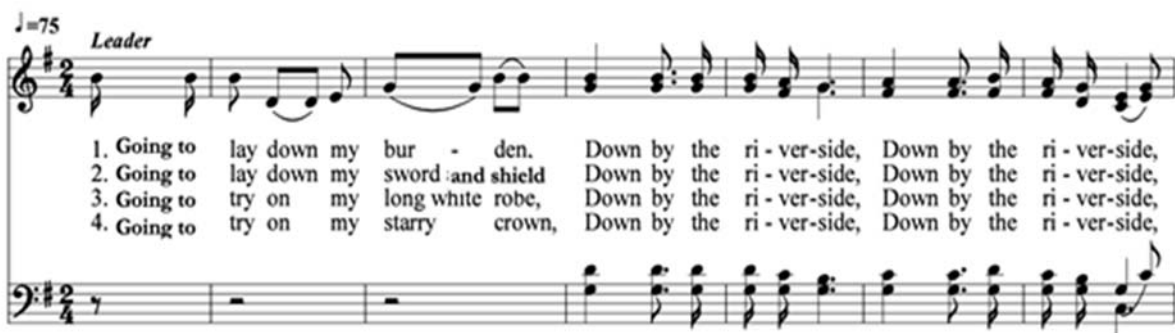
Traditional



Ain't Going to Study War No More

African-American Spiritual

♩=75 *Leader*



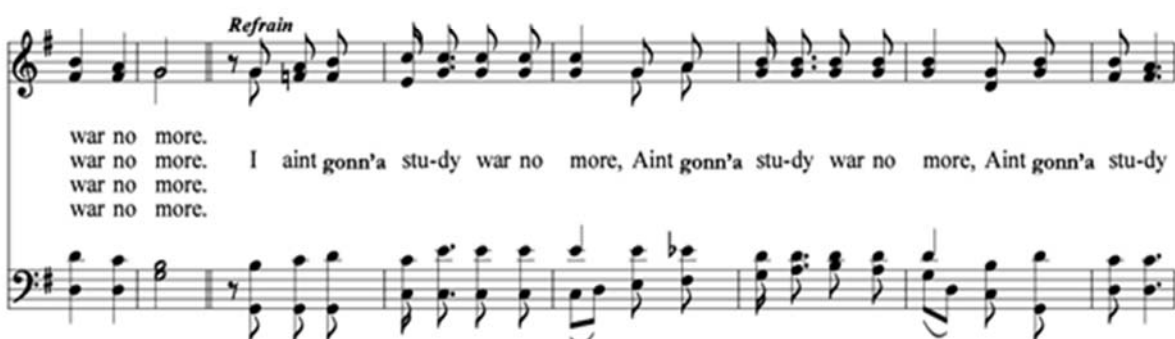
1. Going to lay down my bur - den, Down by the ri - ver-side, Down by the ri - ver-side,
 2. Going to lay down my sword and shield Down by the ri - ver-side, Down by the ri - ver-side,
 3. Going to try on my long white robe, Down by the ri - ver-side, Down by the ri - ver-side,
 4. Going to try on my starry crown, Down by the ri - ver-side, Down by the ri - ver-side,

Leader

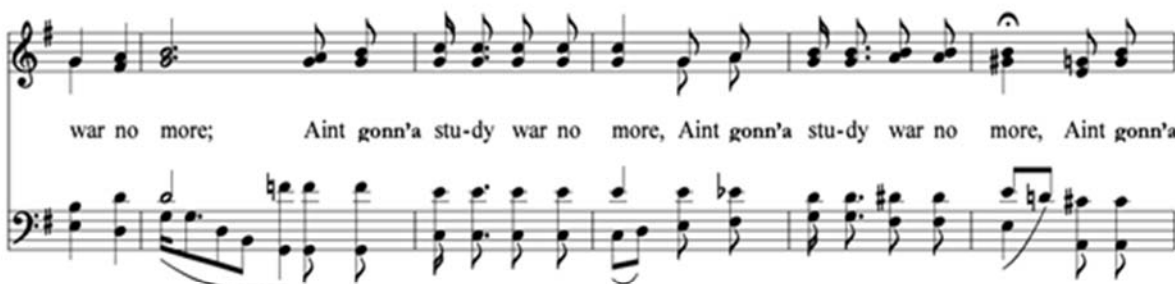


Down by the ri - ver-side; Going to lay down my bur - den. Down by the ri - ver-side, To stu-dy
 Down by the ri - ver-side; Going to lay down my sword and shield Down by the ri - ver-side, To stu-dy
 Down by the ri - ver-side; Going to try on my long white robe, Down by the ri - ver-side, To stu-dy
 Down by the ri - ver-side; Going to try on my starry crown, Down by the ri - ver-side, To stu-dy

Refrain



war no more.
 war no more. I aint gonn'a stu-dy war no more, Aint gonn'a stu-dy war no more, Aint gonn'a stu-dy
 war no more.
 war no more.



war no more; Aint gonn'a stu-dy war no more, Aint gonn'a stu-dy war no more, Aint gonn'a



stu-dy war no more!