



ALKI UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

August 16, 2026

Order of Service
for the Worship of God

**The Neighborhood:
Love is a Verb**

Alki Pride Weekend

Gathering Music

Daniel Self, Music Director

Prelude

It's a Beautiful Day in This Neighborhood

Piano Solo/Song

Centering Song

It's a Beautiful Day in This Neighborhood

*It's a beautiful day in this neighborhood,
A beautiful day for a neighbor.
Would you be mine?
Could you be mine?
It's a neighborly day in this beauty wood,
A neighborly day for a beauty,
Would you be mine?
Could you be mine?
I have always wanted to have a neighbor just like you!
I've always wanted to live in a neighborhood with you.
So let's make the most of this beautiful day,
Since we're together we might as well say,
Would you be mine?
Could you be mine?
Won't you be my neighbor?*

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Call to Worship

Marilynn M, Liturgist (responsive)

We gather here in God's holy house—

to sing and pray,

to speak and listen,

to wonder and grow.

Teach us by your Word and fill us with your Spirit
that we may go out sharing your great love with
all our neighbors; in Jesus' name. your great love
with all our neighbors; in Jesus' name.

Amen.

Opening Song

We Are a Rainbow

David Kai (music at end)

Prayer for Transformation

Passing the Love

Special Delivery

Matthew 25:34-40

Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world, for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.'

Journey to Make-Believe

Visit with a Neighbor

Gabriel Behrend

Sermon

Song of Response

Jesus, Teach Us to be Neighbors

David Gambrell and Will Smith

Prayers of the People

Time, Talent & Treasure

Mission Updates

Offering Invitation

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Offertory

Doxology

A New Doxology (sung to Old 100th) Text by Amanda Udis-Kessler

*Praise holy love that lives in all,
Our source, our path, our sacred call.
Enlarge the circle of our care
To bless all people everywhere.
Amen.*

Prayer of Dedication

Closing Song

True Colors

Billy Steinberg and Tom Kelly as performed by Cyndi Lauper

SONG LEADER

*You with the sad eyes, Don't be discouraged
Oh I realize, It's hard to take courage
In a world full of people, you can lose sight of it all
And the darkness inside you can make you feel so small*

CONGREGATION

*But I see your true colors shining through
I see your true colors and that's why I love you
So don't be afraid to let them show your true colors
True colors are beautiful like a rainbow*

SONG LEADER

Show me a smile then, don't be unhappy,
can't remember when I last saw you laughing
If this world makes you crazy and you've taken all you can bear
You call me up, because you know I'll be there

CONGREGATION

And I'll see your true colors shining through
I see your true colors and that's why I love you
So don't be afraid to let it show your true colors
True colors are beautiful like a rainbow

If this world makes you crazy and you've taken all you can bear
You call me up because you know I'll be there
And I'll see your true colors shining through
I see your true colors and that's why I love you
So don't be afraid to let it show your true colors
True colors, True colors, Shining through
I see your true colors and that's why I love you
So don't be afraid to let them show your true colors
True colors are beautiful like a rainbow

Benediction

Postlude

It's Such a Good Feeling Fred Rogers

*It's such a good feeling to know you're alive.
It's such a happy feeling, you're growing inside.
And when you wake up ready to say,
"I think I'll make a snappy new day!"
It's such a good feeling, a very good feeling,
The feeling you know that I'll be back
When the day is new, and I'll have more ideas for you.
And you'll have things you'll want to talk about .
I will too!*



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Melody and chords

We Are a Rainbow

an Affirming hymn

Words & music: David Kai ©2017
Tune: Slocan

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G C/G D/G G

1. We're the light of all the world,
coat of ma - ny co -
hope to still be - lieve
face the storms of life,

D/F# C/E

we are a cit - y on a hill, We're a can - dle on a stand
lors, sewn from ma - ny dif - frent threads, co - v'ring all in warmth, in wel -
in to - mor - row's bet - ter day, We are peace in a world
we will ne - ver be a - lone, For our God will be with

C D7sus4 D7 G

pro - claim - ing light, We will not hide our lamp
come and in grace, God said "Let be light",
that's torn a - part, We are joy there that will last
us on the way, Hand in hand, side by side,

D/F# Am7

be - neath a bush - el an - y more, We will shine a ray of hope
cre - a - ted e - v'ry va - ried shade, In the rain - bow each of us
in all the strug - gles that we face We are love that blooms and grows
we won't be fright - ened* a - ny more, As the mourn - ing night of tears

D7sus4 Gsus4 G

that's burn - ing bright. **Chorus:** We are a rain - - - bow,
can find a place. heart. day.
in e - v'ry heart. day.
breaks in - to day.

D/F# D B/D# Em

sign of co - ve - nant and peace For the flood of tears will

Em/D C D7sus4 D7 Gsus4 G

fin - 'lly cease to be, Come shine your rain - - - bow,

D/F# D7 Am7

splash your hues a - cross the sky, Paint the world in co - lours

*alt: clobbered

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and consists of three staves. The first staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp. It contains the following notes: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4-G4 (beamed eighth notes), F#4 (quarter), and E4 (half). Chords indicated above the staff are D7sus4, G, and C/G. The second staff continues the melody with notes: D4 (half), E4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4-G4 (beamed eighth notes), F#4 (quarter), and E4 (half). Chords indicated above are D/G, G, Am7, and D7sus4. The third staff begins with a G4 (half) note and a G chord. The lyrics are: "proud and bold and free." followed by a repeat sign and "1, 2, 3." then "2. We're a", "3. We are", "4. When we", "Paint the world in co-lors", and "proud and bold and free.".

proud and bold and free.

1, 2, 3.

2. We're a
3. We are
4. When we

Paint the world in co-lors proud and bold and

free.

Jesus, Teach Us to Be Neighbors

A Hymn for Mr. Rogers Day / Neighboring Sunday

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in 3/4 time, featuring a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It begins with an 8-measure instrumental interlude. The lyrics are arranged in three systems, each with three verses. The first system includes the opening line of the hymn. The second system contains the main body of the lyrics. The third system concludes with a 6-measure instrumental interlude. The notation includes various note values (quarter, eighth, and half notes) and rests, with lyrics aligned under the corresponding notes.

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instrumental interlude

1. Je - sus, teach us to be neigh-bors,
2. Je - sus, teach us to be neigh-bors,
3. Je - sus, teach us to be neigh-bors,

liv - ing, lov - ing side by side, hands for help - ing
giv - ing, serv - ing those in need, mak - ing peace and
work - ing, pray - ing for the day when the Lamb will

one an - oth - er, arms of wel - come, o - pen wide.
do - ing jus - tice, shar - ing faith in word and deed.
be the Shep-herd, when our tears are washed a - way.

Ev - er learn - ing, ev - er grow-ing, Je - sus, teach us
Ev - er learn - ing, ev - er grow-ing, Je - sus, teach us
Ev - er learn - ing, ev - er grow-ing, Je - sus, teach us

all to be chil - dren of the new cre - a - tion,
all to be chil - dren of the new cre - a - tion,
all to be chil - dren of the new cre - a - tion,

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joined in true com-mu - ni - ty.
where we are one fam - i - ly.
sing - ing praise in har - mo - ny.

instrumental interlude
