



ALKI UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

September 20, 2026

Order of Service
for the Worship of God

The Next Faithful Step:
“The Serviceberry”

Prelude

Daniel Self, Music Director

Centering Song

Step By Step

Rich Mullins

C G F F/G

O God, You are my God, and I will ev - er praise

5 C C G F F/G

You. O God, You are my God, and I will ev - er praise

9 C Am G F

You. I will seek You in the morn - ing, and I will learn to walk in Your

13 Dm F/G C G F F/G C

ways. And step by step You'll lead me, and I will fol-low You all of my days.

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Rev. Emily Tanis-Likkel

Call to Worship

Inspired by Psalm 105

(responsive)

O give thanks to the Beloved, and open your hearts to Love.

Awaken! Listen in silence for the Voice of the Counselor.

Sing praises with a glad heart and give witness
to the truth with your lives!

Glory in the radiance of the Beloved.

Seek the one who is Life, your strength.

Blessed be the One who lives and dwells among us!

Opening Song

Spirit of God

Steve Garnaas Holmes

(music at end)

Story for the Young and Young at Heart

Bud Finds Her Gift by Robin Wall Kimmerer

Special Music

Wake Me Up When September Ends

Billie Joe Armstrong

*Summer has come and passed
The innocent can never last
Wake me up when September ends*

*Like my father's come to pass
Seven years has gone so fast
Wake me up when September ends*

*Here comes the rain again
Falling from the stars
Drenched in my pain again
Becoming who we are*

*As my memory rests
But never forgets what I lost
Wake me up when September ends*

*Summer has come and passed
The innocent can never last
Wake me up when September ends*

*Ring out the bells again
Like we did when spring began
Wake me up when September ends*

*Summer has come and passed
The innocent can never last
Wake me up when September ends*

*Like my father's come to pass
Twenty years has gone so fast
Wake me up when September ends*

Scripture Reading

Exodus 16:2-15

New Revised Standard Version, updated edition

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, “If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

Then the LORD said to Moses, “I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days.” So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, “In the evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your complaining against the LORD. For what are we, that you complain against us?” And Moses said, “When the LORD gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the LORD has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the LORD.”

Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, ‘Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.’” And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses and said, “I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.’”

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.”

Sermon

Song of Response *In the Bulb There Is a Flower, NCH 433*

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 *I Must Tell Jesus, NCH 486* Verses 1 and 2

Benediction

Postlude

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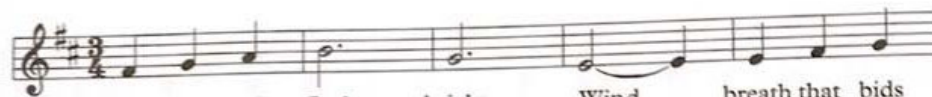
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Liturgy adapted from Psalms for Praying: An
Invitation to Wholeness by Nan C. Merrill
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Spirit of God



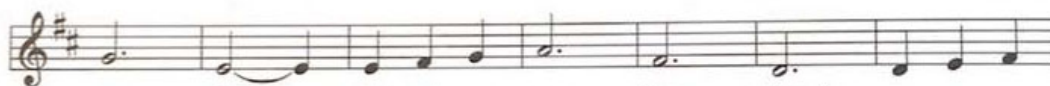
1. Spir - it of God, bright Wind, breath that bids
 2. Spir - it of God, bright Dove, grant us your
 3. Spir - it of God, bright Hands, e - ven in
 4. Spir - it of God, bright Flame, send us in your
 5. Spir - it of God in all, we glad - ly



life be - gin, blow as you al - ways
 peace and love, heal - ing up - on your
 far - off lands you hold all the hu - man
 ho - ly name, the pow - er to heal, to
 hear your call, the life in our hands that



do; cre - ate us a - new. _____ Give us the breath
 wings for all liv - ing things. _____ For when we live
 race in one warm em - brace. _____ No mat - ter where
 share your love ev - ery - where. _____ We can - not fail
 sings, the power of your wings. _____ Born of your grace

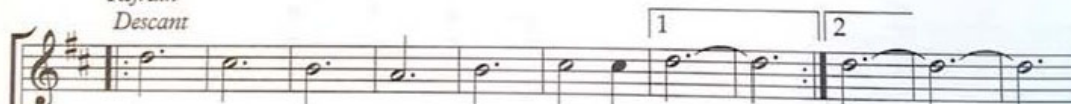


to sing, lift - ed on soar - ing wing, }
 your peace, cap - tives will find re - lease, } held in your
 we go, you hold us to - geth - er so,
 or fall, or know de - feat at all,
 we rise, love shin - ing in our eyes,

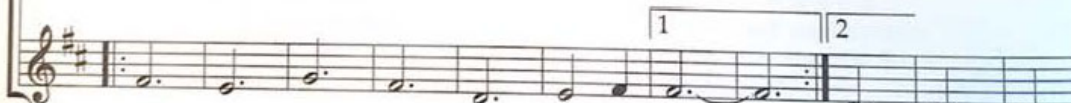


hands, _____ borne on your wings. _____

Refrain
Descant



Al - le - lu - ia! Come, Spir - it, come! _____ come! _____



Al - le - lu - ia! Come, Spir - it, come! _____ come! _____