



OVERLAND PARK
CHRISTIAN CHURCH
HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Words of Welcome

Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

THE GATHERING – We Enter into God's Presence

Sharing Christ's Peace

Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Gathering in the Light

Prelude to Worship

"He Is Born, the Holy Child" arr. Melody Bober

Julie Dean, piano

*Invitation to Worship

Theresa Krebs

one: For generations, people have gathered for Christmas because there is something about this story that speaks to the deepest parts of us.

all: It brings us hope, a reminder that God continues to be at work in this world.

one: It brings us peace, a reminder that one small act can change our hurting world.

all: It brings us joy, a reminder that anything is possible with God.

one: It brings us love, a reminder that from the very first generation, God has surrounded us with love.

all: And it reintroduces us to God, love made flesh.

one: In Jesus, we are reminded that this story weaves through every generation, creating a beautiful tapestry of which we all are a part. No matter how we tell it, let this story be planted deeply within us so that we cannot help but share it, from generation to generation.

all: Let us sing this story of a love that knows our name.

one: Let us live this story, because love has come again.

all: Let us tell this story of a love that makes room for all.

*Opening Hymn

"Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

Chalice Hymnal #167

Invocation

Theresa Krebs

Song of Response

"Be Still"

Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

THE WORD – We Receive God's Word

Worship & Wonder Scripture

"Meeting the Christ Child"

Pastor Lisa Engelken

a Children Worship & Wonder story written by Sonja M. Stewart and Jerome Berryman
based on Matthew 1-2 and Luke 1-2

The Word in Song

Lesson

The First Day of Christmas: Jesus Christ
Matthew 23:37

Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Carol

"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"

Chalice Hymnal #163; v 1

Lesson

The Second Day of Christmas: Old and New Testaments
Luke 2:22, 24 and 1 Timothy 4:13

Theresa Krebs

Carol

"Jesus, Our Brother, Strong and Good"

vv 1 & 5

Lesson

The Third Day of Christmas: Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh
Matthew 2:1-2, 11

Theresa Krebs

Carol

"We Three Kings"

Chalice Hymnal #172; vv 1 & 5

Lesson

The Fourth Day of Christmas: The Four Gospels
John 21:24-25

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Carol	"I Love to Tell the Story"	Chalice Hymnal #480; vv 1 & 2
Lesson	The Fifth Day of Christmas: The Pentateuch Luke 24:25-27	Rev. Laura Ann Phillips
Carol	"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"	Chalice Hymnal #119; vv 1 & 3
Lesson	The Sixth Day of Christmas: Six Days of Creation Genesis 1:31-2:2	Sue Elliott
Carol	"Lord of the Dance"	v 1
Lesson	The Seventh Day of Christmas: Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit 1 Corinthians 12:4-7	Sue Elliott
Carol	"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"	Chalice Hymnal #261
Lesson	The Eighth Day of Christmas: The Beatitudes Matthew 5:3-10	Sue Elliott
Carol	"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"	

THE RESPONSE – We Respond in Worship

Prayers of the People	The Ninth Day of Christmas: Fruit of the Spirit Galatians 5:22-23	Rev. Laura Ann Phillips
Our Lord's Prayer	Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.	

Carol	"Spirit of the Living God"	Chalice Hymnal #259
Invitation to Stewardship	The Tenth Day of Christmas: The Ten Commandments Exodus 20:1-17 and Deuteronomy 5:4-21	Sue Elliott
*Doxology	"O Little Town of Bethlehem"	Chalice Hymnal #144; vv 1 & 3
Prayer of Dedication		
Invitation to Communion	The Eleventh Day of Christmas: The Eleven Faithful Disciples Matthew 28:16-20	Rev. Laura Ann Phillips
Communion Response	"O Little Town of Bethlehem"	Chalice Hymnal #144; vv 2 & 4

SENDING FORTH – We Go Out into the World

Invitation to Discipleship	The Twelfth Day of Christmas: The Apostles Creed Ephesians 4:25	Rev. Laura Ann Phillips
*Closing Hymn	"The Twelve Days of Christmas"	v 12
*Blessing and Benediction		Rev. Laura Ann Phillips
*Postlude	"Ballad of the Kings (We Three Kings)" arr. Kevin Olson	Julie Dean, piano

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