



Sing the Faith

We celebrate who we are as Disciples of Christ, and using scripture and song, explore our confession of faith with Overland Park Christian Church and Smithville First Christian Church.

Words of Welcome Rev. Dr. Lara Blackwood Pickrel, Rev. Laura Ann Phillips, and Rev. Chuck Pickrel

THE GATHERING – We Enter into God's Presence

Sharing Christ's Peace The Revs. Pickrel

Prelude to Worship Variations on "Jesus Loves Me" arr. Phyllis Curtis Phyllis Curtis, organist

Gathering in the Light

The Phillips-Peter Family

Invitation to Worship

Bill & Rachel Drake

one: Who are we?

all: We are Disciples of Christ.

one: What is our purpose?

all: We are a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world.

one: Who is welcome here?

all: As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord's Table...

one: Why do we do that?

all: God has welcomed us. Let us worship our welcoming God!

Opening Hymn "When Morning Gilds the Skies" Chalice Hymnal #100; vv 1 & 4

Invocation Pat Warner

Response "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" Chalice Hymnal #585; v 1

THE WORD - We Receive God's Word

Scripture Philippians 2:8-11 (Common English Bible) Emma Becker

Disciples Affirmation Adi Lowman

leader: Together, let us affirm our faith:

all: As members of the Christian Church,

We confess that Jesus is the Christ,

the Son of the living God,

and proclaim him Lord and Savior of the world.

Scripture Matthew 28:18-20 (Common English Bible) Calvin McBride

Disciples Affirmation Calvin McBride

leader: Together, let us affirm our faith:
all: In Christ's name and by his grace
we accept our mission of witness

and service to all people.

Hymn "Here I Am, Lord" Chalice Hymnal #452; vv 1 & 3

Scripture Psalm 100 (Common English Bible) Johnny Viebrock

Disciples Affirmation Johnny Viebrock

leader: Together, let us affirm our faith:

all: We rejoice in God,

maker of heaven and earth, and in God's covenant of love

which binds us to God and to one another.

Hymn "How Great Thou Art" Chalice Hymnal #33; v 1

Scripture "The Disciples' Baptism" Mary Poggie

A Children Worship and Wonder Story by Kaye Edwards

based on Galatians 3:26-28

Disciples Affirmation Mary Poggie

leader: Together, let us affirm our faith: all: Through baptism into Christ we enter into newness of life

and are made one with the whole people of God.

Hymn "We Call Ourselves Disciples" Chalice Hymnal #357; v 3

Scripture John 13:34; 14:26 (Common English Bible) Jonica Merritt

Disciples Affirmation Jonica Merritt

leader: Together, let us affirm our faith:

all: In the communion of the Holy Spirit

we are joined together in discipleship

and in obedience to Christ.

Hymn "They'll Know We Are Christians" Chalice Hymnal #494; vv 1 & 3

THE RESPONSE – We Respond in Worship

Prayers of the People 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.

Response

"It Is Well with My Soul"

Chalice Hymnal #561; v 1

Invitation to Stewardship

Roy Nickum

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Doxology "Now Thank We All Our God" Chalice Hymnal #715, v 3

Prayer of Dedication Judy Nickum

Celebration of Communion Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Disciples Affirmation Rev. Chuck Pickrel

leader: Together, let us affirm our faith: all: At the Table of the Lord

we celebrate with thanksgiving

the saving acts and presence of Christ.

Words of Institution Rev. Dr. Lara Blackwood Pickrel

Hymn "Let Us Break Bread Together" Chalice Hymnal #425; vv 1 & 2

Prayer of Consecration Johnny Viebrock

SENDING FORTH - We Go Out into the World

Invitation to Discipleship Alan Felton

Disciples Affirmation John Merritt

leader: Together, let us affirm our faith:
all: Within the universal church
we receive the gift of ministry
and the light of scripture.
In the bonds of Christian faith
we yield ourselves to God
that we may serve the One
whose kingdom has no end.
Blessing, glory, and honor

be to God forever. Amen.

Closing Hymn "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" Chalice Hymnal #2; vv 1 & 4

Sharing the Light The Pickrel Family

Blessing and Benediction Christy Borrowman

one: Great is God's faithfulness to us!

all: Morning by morning new mercies we see.

one: All that we need is provided by God.

all: God gives us strength for today and hope for tomorrow.

one: We come to give God thanks for another day. all: This is a day to live, to love, and to serve.

one: And we start this day as we should start every day.

all: We leave here to praise and worship God!

Postlude

Toccata on "Old Hundredth" arr. Robert Lau

Phyllis Curtis, organist

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It is used by many Disciples congregations in worship as an affirmation of the faith of the church throughout the ages – not as a "test of fellowship," but as a statement of faith that identifies the Disciples' commitment to and place within the universal and ecumenical church.

As members of the Christian Church, We confess that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, and proclaim him Lord and Savior of the world. In Christ's name and by his grace we accept our mission of witness and service to all people. We rejoice in God, maker of heaven and earth, and in God's covenant of love which binds us to God and to one another. Through baptism into Christ we enter into newness of life and are made one with the whole people of God. *In the communion of the Holy Spirit* we are joined together in discipleship and in obedience to Christ. At the Table of the Lord we celebrate with thanksgiving the saving acts and presence of Christ. Within the universal church we receive the gift of ministry and the light of scripture. *In the bonds of Christian faith* we yield ourselves to God that we may serve the One whose kingdom has no end. Blessing, glory, and honor be to God forever. Amen.