



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 "Amazing Grace (My Chain Are Gone)" arr. James Koerts

Julie Dean, piano

*Invitation to Worship

Teresa Phillips

one: Break forth into singing, all God's people.

*all: **God has done marvelous things among us.***

one: Let us make a joyful noise together.

*all: **There is a new song in the air.***

one: The whole universe responds to the child in our midst.

*all: **The word comes to bring grace into our lives.***

*Opening Hymn

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Chalice Hymnal #2

Invocation

Teresa Phillips

Prayer Response

"Shout to the Lord"

Chalice Praise #35

THE WORD – We Receive God's Word

Prayer of Illumination

"Be Still"

Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Worship & Wonder Scripture

"The Boy Jesus in the Temple"

Judy Nickum

a Children Worship & Wonder story written by Sonja M. Stewart, based on Luke 2:41-52

(told in the Children Worship & Wonder room)

Scripture

John 1:1-17 (New Revised Standard Version updated edition)

Nancy Phipps

Scripture

Hebrews 4:12-16 (New Revised Standard Version updated edition)

Nancy Phipps

Sermon	"How Sweet the Sound of Grace"	Rev. Laura Ann Phillips
Special Music	"Amazing Grace" American melody, arr. Ed Lojeski; lyrics by John Newton (1725-1807)	Chalice Chancel Choir

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 in Song	"O, How I Love Jesus"	Chalice Hymnal #99
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Invitation to Stewardship
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we are "being church" even now, you can visit our website, www.opccdoc.org to give online,
or you may mail your check to our building at 7600 West 75th Street, Overland Park, KS 66204.*

*Doxology	"My Tribute"	Chalice Hymnal #39
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Prayer of Dedication

Invitation to Communion	Rev. Laura Ann Phillips
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Communion Prayer

Words of Institution	Rev. Laura Ann Phillips
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Communion Response	"Just as I Am, Without One Plea"	Chalice Hymnal #339
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SENDING FORTH – We Go Out into the World

Invitation to Discipleship

*Closing Hymn	"Lift Every Voice and Sing"	Chalice Hymnal #631
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*Blessing and Benediction	Rev. Laura Ann Phillips
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Postlude	"O Worship the King" arr. Kenon Renfrow	Julie Dean, piano
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