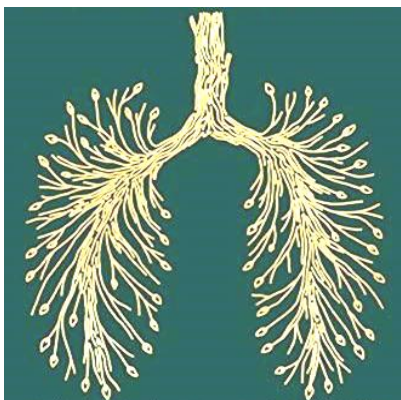




This Here Flesh: Return to Wonder



Words of Welcome

Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

THE GATHERING – We Enter into God's Presence

Sharing Christ's Peace

Rev. Chuck Pickrel and Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Gathering in the Light

Prelude to Worship "I Exalt Thee" with "I Surrender All" arr. Victor Labenske

Julie Dean, piano

*Invitation to Worship

Rev. Chuck Pickrel

one: Let the ears of all people be attentive;

*all: **the heavens are telling the glory of God!***

one: Everything around us proclaims God's handiwork.

*all: **Day and night, God is at work among us.***

one: We are drawn together into one body, the church.

*all: **As we commune with God, we know we need one another.***

one: We seek true community in which all of God's beloved are honored.

*all: **We worship God and honor the good to be found in all people!***

*Opening Hymn

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

Chalice Hymnal #56; vv 1,2,4,5

Invocation

Rev. Chuck Pickrel

Prayer Response

"Make Me a Servant"

Chalice Praise #99

THE WORD – We Receive God's Word

Prayer of Illumination

"Be Still"

Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Worship & Wonder Scripture

"The Great Banquet"

Rev. Chuck Pickrel

*a Worship & Wonder story written by Sonja M. Stewart and Jerome W. Berryman, based on Luke 14:15-24
told in the Children Worship & Wonder room*

Scripture	Palm 19:1-4 (Common English Bible)	Wayne Moore
Scripture	1 Samuel 3:1-11 (Common English Bible)	Wayne Moore
Sermon	"Return to Wonder"	Rev. Laura Ann Phillips
Special Music	"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" words by Henry Van Dyke (1908), music by Ludwig van Beethoven (1823), arranged by Mark Hayes	Chalice Chancel Choir

THE RESPONSE – We Respond in Worship

Prayers of the People	Rev. Laura Ann Phillips
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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	"God of Wonders"
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Invitation to Stewardship	Peggy Moore
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*Doxology	"All Creatures of Our God and King"	Chalice Hymnal #22; v 1
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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	"Taste and See"
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SENDING FORTH – We Go Out into the World

Invitation to Discipleship	Peggy Moore
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*Closing Hymn	"Here I Am, Lord"	Chalice Hymnal #452
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*Blessing and Benediction	Rev. Laura Ann Phillips
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Postlude	"God of Wonders" arr. James Koerts	Julie Dean, piano
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