At-Home Worship July 23, 2023





## Images of God's Kindom

Words of Welcome Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

**THE GATHERING** – We Finter into God's Presence

Sharing Christ's Peace Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Gathering in the Light

Prelude to Worship "Be Thou My Vision" arr. Cindy Berry Julie Dean, piano

\*Invitation to Worship Jimmy Reynolds

one: Jesus taught his disciples: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God."

all: Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

one: Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man.

all: When we are poor, hungry, grieving, and cast aside, we are still blessed.

one: We still have everything we need for a life of faithfulness.

all: Praise the God who gives us everything we need. The Kin-dom of God is among us!

(adapted from Luke 6:20-23)

\*Opening Hymn "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" Chalice Hymnal #65; vv 1,3,4

Invocation Jimmy Reynolds

Prayer Response "Spirit of the Living God" Chalice Hymnal #259

THE WORD - We Receive God's Word

Prayer of Illumination "Be Still" Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Worship & Wonder Story "God's Dream" Rev. Lisa Setty

by Desmond Tutu and Douglas Carlton Abrams told in the Children Worship & Wonder space

Scripture Psalm 33:13-22 (New Revised Standard Version) Theresa Krebs

Scripture 2 Peter 1:1-12 (Common English Bible) Theresa Krebs

Sermon "Images of God's Kin-dom" Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Special Music "Konzert für Flöte in G-Dur" by Carl Stamitz Courtney Setty, flute

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 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" Chalice Hymnal #16

Invitation to Stewardship

Theresa Krebs

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\*Doxology "From All That Dwell Below the Skies" Chalice Hymnal #49

Prayer of Dedication

Invitation to Communion Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Communion Prayer

Words of Institution Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Communion Response "When You Do This, Remember Me" Chalice Hymnal #400

**SENDING FORTH** – We Go Out into the World

Invitation to Discipleship Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

\*Closing Hymn "In Christ There is No East or West" Chalice Hymnal #687

\*Blessing and Benediction Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Postlude "Praise to the Lord Almighty" arr. Victor Labenske Julie Dean, piano

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