



# The Beatitudes

## Week 1

Words of Welcome

Rev. Chuck Pickrel

### THE GATHERING – We Enter into God's Presence

Sharing Christ's Peace

Rev. Chuck Pickrel

Gathering in the Light

Prelude to Worship

“Brethren, We Have Met to Worship” arr. Cindy Berry

Julie Dean, piano

\*Invitation to Worship

Nancy Corbin

*one: Jesus taught: Blessed are the poor in spirit. He said that the realm of God is theirs.*

*all: **Jesus said that those who mourn are blessed and will be comforted.***

*one: The meek will inherit the earth. The merciful will obtain mercy.*

*all: **All who hunger and thirst for rich treasures are blessed; they will be filled.***

*one: Blessed are the pure in heart and the peacemakers.*

*all: **They are God's children and will see God.***

\*Opening Hymn

“The Church's One Foundation”

Chalice Hymnal #272; vv 1,2,5

Invocation

Nancy Corbin

Prayer Response

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

Chalice Hymnal #254; vv 1-2

### THE WORD – We Receive God's Word

Prayer of Illumination

“Be Still”

Rev. Chuck Pickrel

Worship & Wonder Scripture

“The Beatitudes”

Pastor Lisa Engelken

a Worship & Wonder story written by Dick Gibson, based on Matthew 5:1-12

*told in the Children Worship & Wonder room*

Scripture

Matthew 5:1-12 (New Revised Standard Version)

Theresa Krebs

Sermon

Rev. Emily Stirewalt

Special Music

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"  
music by Sebastian Temple; choral setting by Jane Holstein

Chalice Chancel Choir

**THE RESPONSE** – We Respond in Worship

Prayers of the People

Rev. Chuck Pickrel

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

"Blessed Are the Poor in Spirit"

Invitation to Stewardship

Theresa Krebs

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\*Doxology

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

Chalice Hymnal #46

Prayer of Dedication

Invitation to Communion

Rev. Chuck Pickrel

Communion Prayer

Words of Institution

Rev. Emily Stirewalt

Communion Response

"We Come as Guests Invited"

Chalice Hymnal #386

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

Invitation to Discipleship

Roger Claar

\*Closing Hymn

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

Chalice Hymnal #558

\*Blessing and Benediction

Rev. Emily Stirewalt

Postlude

"Blest Be the Tie that Binds" arr. Carol Tornquist

Julie Dean, piano

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