



# The Beatitudes

## Week 4

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

"God Will Take Care of You" arr. Cindy Berry

Julie Dean, piano

\*Invitation to Worship

Nancy Phipps

*one: Christ sets before us this day life and death and calls for us to choose life that we and our children may live.*

*all: **We accept life, so teach us to live.***

*one: Christ sets before us this day the challenge to seek peace and to pursue it.*

*all: **We accept the challenge of peace, so enable us to pursue it.***

*one: Christ sets before us this day the call to be peacemakers;*

*all: **to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ to a suffering world.***

*one: We gather to join with the oppressed and troubled people of the world in the struggle for liberation and peace;*

*all: **to work for justice, healing, and wholeness of life.***

*one: We gather to embrace the unity of God's people and Christ's church;*

*all: **to make peace a reality.***

\*Opening Hymn

"Gather Us In"

Chalice Hymnal #284; vv 1, 3, & 4

Invocation

Nancy Phipps

Prayer Response

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

### THE WORD – We Receive God's Word

Prayer of Illumination

"Be Still"

Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Scripture

Matthew 5:1-2, 9-16 (The Voice)

Jane Fletcher

Worship & Wonder Scripture

"The Great Pearl"

Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

a Worship & Wonder story written by Sonja M. Steward and Jerome W. Berryman

based on Matthew 13:45-46

*told in the Sanctuary*

Sermon	“ ‘Passivism’, Pacifism, and Peacemaking”	Rev. Laura Ann Phillips
Special Music	“How Can I Keep from Singing?” by Robert Wadsworth Lowry; arr. Lauren Flaunding	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	“Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”	Chalice Hymnal #342; vv 1-3
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Invitation to Stewardship	Jane Fletcher
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*Doxology	“Rejoice, You Pure in Heart”	Chalice Hymnal #15; v 4
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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	“Break Thou the Bread of Life”	Chalice Hymnal #321; vv 1 & 3
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**SENDING FORTH** – We Go Out into the World

Invitation to Discipleship	Jody Cash
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*Closing Hymn	“You Are the Seed”	Chalice Hymnal #478; vv 1 & 3
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*Blessing and Benediction	Rev. Laura Ann Phillips
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Postlude	“Peace Like a River” arr. Edwin McLean	Julie Dean, piano
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