



*it's a*  
**Wonder Full Life**  
*—looking back*

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

“Be the Centre” by Michael Frye, arr. Carol Tornquist

Julie Dean, piano

\*Invitation to Worship

Theresa Krebs

*one: The Creator of all things has given us life.*

*all: **We gather in awe to bring our songs of praise.***

*one: We are amazed by the wonders around us.*

*all: **We feel God's presence as we sing together.***

*one: We are summoned by One who is just and merciful.*

*all: **The Ruler of all worlds expects us to respond.***

*one: How amazing that God chooses us as messengers.*

*all: **We know God is with us as we work for justice.***

\*Opening Hymn

“O Worship the King”

Chalice Hymnal #17

Invocation

Theresa Krebs

Prayer Response

“Thank You, Lord”

Chalice Hymnal #531; vv 1&2

**THE WORD** – We Receive God's Word

Prayer of Illumination

“Be Still”

Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Worship & Wonder Scripture

“The Good Samaritan”

Pastor Lisa Engelken

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

based on Luke 10:25-37

*told in the Worship & Wonder room*

Scripture

Matthew 22:15-22 (Common English Bible)

Nancy Phipps

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| Sermon        | “Looking for Our Truth Worth”      | Rev. Laura Ann Phillips |
| Special Music | “You Can Relax Now” by Shaina Noll | Lisa Wagner-Carollo     |

**THE RESPONSE** – We Respond in Worship

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| 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.**

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| Response in Song | “It Is Well with My Soul” | Chalice Hymnal #561 |
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Invitation to Stewardship

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| *Doxology | “Be Thou My Vision” | Chalice Hymnal #595; v 3 |
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| Prayer of Dedication |  | elder |
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| Invitation to Communion |  | Rev. Laura Ann Phillips |
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| Communion Prayer |  | elder |
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| Words of Institution |  | Rev. Laura Ann Phillips |
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| Communion Response | “Be Thou My Vision” | Chalice Hymnal #595; v 1,2,4 |
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**SENDING FORTH** – We Go Out into the World

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| Invitation to Discipleship |  | Rev. Laura Ann Phillips |
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| *Closing Hymn | “God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending” | Chalice Hymnal #606 |
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| *Blessing and Benediction |  | Rev. Laura Ann Phillips |
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| Postlude | “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” arr. Phillip Keveren | Julie Dean, piano |
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