



OVERLAND PARK
CHRISTIAN CHURCH



Today we center our worship on gratitude — real gratitude that recognizes God's presence in every season, honors the blessings we often overlook, and calls us to live with open hands. Thanksgiving becomes more than a holiday; it becomes a spiritual posture that strengthens our faith and widens our compassion.

Gratitude shifts our perspective so we can see God at work even in ordinary moments.

Words of Welcome

Barb Collins

THE GATHERING – We Enter into God's Presence

Sharing Christ's Peace

Barb Collins

one: Christ meets us with peace that grounds us and gratitude that grows us.

*all: **We receive that peace with thankful hearts.***

one: Share it now, generously and joyfully.

*all: **The peace of Christ be with you.***

Gathering in the Light

Prelude to Worship

“We Gather Together” arr. by Phillip Keveren

Julie Dean, piano

*Invitation to Worship

Theresa Krebs

one: Church, why have we gathered today?

*all: **To give thanks to the One who provides.***

one: Who calls us into grateful living?

*all: **The God whose goodness never runs out.***

one: And how will we respond?

*all: **With joy, hope, and thanksgiving.***

one: Come, let us worship God together.

*Opening Hymn	“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”	Chalice Hymnal #718; vv 1&3
Invocation		Theresa Krebs
Centering Song	“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”	Chalice Hymnal #254; vv 1&3
Invitation to Communion		elder
Communion Prayer		elder
Words of Institution		elder
Doxology	“From All That Dwell Below the Skies”	Chalice Hymnal #49

THE WORD – We Receive God’s Word

Wondering with the Word	“How the Church Tells Time” <i>told in the Children Worship & Wonder Room</i>	Pastor Lisa Engelken
Special Music	“How Could I Ask for More” by Cindy Morgan	Becki Bayless
Scripture	Psalm 100 (New Revised Standard Version) Colossians 3:15–17 (New Revised Standard Version)	Richard Owens
Sermon		Rev. Terrell L. McTyer

THE RESPONSE – We Respond in Worship

Prayers of the People		Rev. Terrell L. McTyer
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.**

SENDING FORTH – We Go Out into the World

Invitation to Discipleship		Rev. Terrell L. McTyer
*Closing Hymn	“The Blessing”	
*Congregational Affirmation		Richard Owens
*Blessing and Benediction		Rev. Terrell L. McTyer
*Postlude	“Now Thank We All Our God” arr. by Cindy Berry	Julie Dean, piano