



OVERLAND PARK
CHRISTIAN CHURCH

4th Sunday of Advent



Words of Welcome

Theresa Krebs

THE GATHERING – We Enter into God's Presence

Sharing Christ's Peace

Theresa Krebs

one: The peace of Christ is not the absence of fear,
*all: **but the presence of love that walks beside us.***
one: May the peace of Christ be with you all.
*all: **And also with you.***
one: Let us share Christ's peace with one another.

Gathering in the Light

Prelude to Worship

"Still, Still, Still" arr. by Lloyd Larson

Reverberations Bell Choir

*Invitation to Worship

Nancy Phipps

one: Here in worship —
*all: **we pray together,***
one: we stand together,
*all: **we sing together,***
one: we listen together.
*all: **Here in worship — we are not alone.***
one: So when life gives you reason to grieve, to fear, or to worry, remember this moment.
*all: **We are not alone.***
one: Let us worship our with-us God.

*Opening Hymn

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Chalice Hymnal #144; vv 1,2,4

Invocation

Nancy Phipps

Prayer of Illumination

“Be Still”

Worship & Wonder Scripture

“The Way to Bethlehem”
adapted from the “What Do We Fear” Devotional,
devotion for the 4th Sunday of Advent, written by Rev. Dr. Boyung Lee

Pastor Lisa Engelken

told in the Sanctuary

Lighting of the Advent Candles

the Smith family

Centering Song

“Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”

Chalice Hymnal #163

THE WORD – We Receive God’s Word

Scripture

Isaiah 41:5-10 (New Revised Standard Version)
Matthew 1:18-25 (New Revised Standard Version)

Roger Claar

Sermon

“When You’re Afraid, Give Me Your Hand”

Rev. Terrell L. McTyer

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.**

Special Music

“Angels We Have Heard on High” arr. by Lloyd Larson Reverberations Bell Choir

THE RESPONSE – We Respond in Worship

Invitation to Stewardship

Roger Claar

*Doxology

“Noel Doxology”

Invitation to Communion

Rev. Terrell L. McTyer

Communion Prayer

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Words of Institution

Rev. Terrell L. McTyer

SENDING FORTH – We Go Out into the World

*Closing Hymn

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

Chalice Hymnal #517; vv 1&3

*Blessing and Benediction

Rev. Terrell L. McTyer

*Postlude

“God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen” arr. by Kevin Olson

Julie Dean, piano