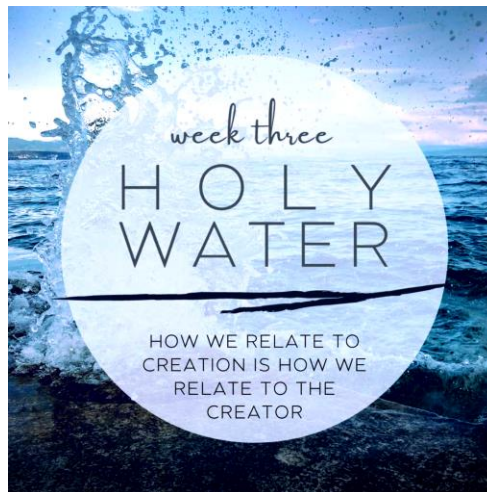




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Words of Welcome

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

"America, the Beautiful" arr. Cindy Berry

Julie Dean, piano

\*Invitation to Worship

Emerson Hartzler

*one: When nothing existed but chaos,*

*all: **The Spirit swept across the dark waters and brought forth light.***

*one: In the days of Noah*

*all: **God saved those on the ark through water.***

*one: When the Hebrews were slaves in Egypt, Moses followed God's direction*

*all: **and led them to freedom through the sea.***

*one: In the fullness of time God sent Jesus,*

*all: **nurtured in the water of a womb.***

*one: We are surround by the waters of blessing!*

*all: **May we overflow God's blessing in us to all the earth!***

\*Opening Hymn

"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

Chalice Hymnal #85

Invocation

Emerson Hartzler

Prayer Response

"Water, River, Spirit, Grace"

Chalice Hymnal #366

**THE WORD** – We Receive God's Word

Prayer of Illumination

"Be Still"

Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

Scripture	Proverbs 8:1-3, 22-31 (The Message)	Theresa Krebs
Scripture	Mark 1:4-12 (The Message)	Theresa Krebs
Sermon	Rev. Laura Ann Phillips “Holy Water – How We Relate to Creation is How We Relate to the Creator”	
Special Music	“Let the River Run” by Carly Simon	Mary Beth Boucher

### **THE RESPONSE – We Respond in Worship**

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.**

Response in Song	“Touch the Earth Lightly”	Chalice Hymnal #693
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Invitation to Stewardship	Emerson Hartzler <i>If you would like to support the ministries of Overland Park Christian Church and all the ways we are “being church” even now, you can visit our website, <a href="http://www.opccdoc.org">www.opccdoc.org</a> to give online, or you may mail your check to our building at 7600 West 75th Street, Overland Park, KS 66204.</i>	
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*Doxology	“Shout to the North”	Chalice Praise #40; v 3
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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	“As the Deer”	Chalice Praise #108
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### **SENDING FORTH – We Go Out into the World**

Invitation to Discipleship	Theresa Krebs
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*Closing Hymn	“Shall We Gather at the River”	Chalice Hymnal #701
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*Blessing and Benediction	Rev. Laura Ann Phillips
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*Postlude	“The River Is Here” by Andy Park, published by Mercy/Vineyard Publishing	Julie Dean, piano
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