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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 and Rev. Chuck Pickrel

Gathering in the Light

Prelude to Worship

"Brush of Autumn" by Robert Vandall

Ben Garcia, piano

Invitation to Worship

Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

*Opening Hymn

"In the Bulb There Is a Flower"

Chalice Hymnal #638

Invocation

Rev. Chuck Pickrel

Song of Response

"Be Still"

Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

THE WORD – We Receive God's Word

Lesson

God Creates a World of Diversity and Loves It All

Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

"Creation," a Children Worship & Wonder story based on Genesis 1-2:4a, written by Sonja M. Stewart

Carol

"The Creation Song"
by The Church at Brook Hills

Emily Boedeker and Amy Luckenbill

Lesson

Wisdom Makes the World and Seeks a Home on Earth

Pat Gilling

Proverbs 8:12, 22-31 (Common English Bible)

Carol

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

Chalice Hymnal #119

Lesson

All Creation Sings in Praise and Anticipates Redemption

Pat Gilling

Psalms 98 and 36:5-7 (Common English Bible)

Carol "Psalm 98 (Sing Unto the Lord)" Mary Beth Boucher
by Bethany Dillon and Shane Corey Barnard, arr. Dan Galbraith

Lesson **Ignoring Wisdom's Ways, We Become Destroyers of the Earth** Calvin McBride
Jeremiah 12:10-13, 4:19-28 (New Revised Standard Version updated edition)

Special Music "Safe & Sound" Emily Boedeker and Amy Luckenbill
by John Paul White, Joy Williams-Yetton, T Bone Burnett, and Taylor Alison Swift

Lesson **The Whole Creation Groans for Liberation and Redemption** Calvin McBride
Romans 8:19-23 (Common English Bible)

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.**

Song of Response "O God of Every Shining Constellation" Chalice Hymnal #55

Invitation to Stewardship Rev. Chuck Pickrel
Wisdom and Word Identify with All Things and Assumes Flesh
John 1:1-14 (New Revised Standard Version updated edition)

*Doxology "Shine, Jesus, Shine" Chalice Praise #39

Prayer of Dedication

Invitation to Communion **In Christ, All Things Are Reconciled with God** Rev. Laura Ann Phillips
Colossians 1:15-20 (New Revised Standard Version updated edition)

Communion Prayer

Words of Institution Rev. Chuck Pickrel

Communion Response "Come to the Table"

SENDING FORTH – We Go Out into the World

Invitation to Discipleship **Let the Same Mind Be in You that Was in Christ** Rev. Laura Ann Phillips
Philippians 2:1-11 (Common English Bible)

*Closing Hymn "The Trees of the Field"

*Blessing and Benediction Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

*Postlude "Toccata, Op. 27, No. 12" by Dmitry Kabalevsky Ben Garcia, piano

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