

August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
14<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost  
**GATHERING FOR WORSHIP**

**PRELUDE:** Take My Life and Let it be/I Surrender All

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**QUIET HYMN: Make Me a Servant** #2176

**SILENT PRAYER**

**\*HYMN: Great Is Thy Faithfulness** #140

***CENTERING FOR WORSHIP***

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: We gather as a community of compassion and hope.

**P: Jesus calls us to care for each other tenderly and willingly.**

L: By caring and sharing we will be known as followers of Jesus.

**P: By our example may others be led to lives of peace.**

L: God, open our hearts and minds this day to your word.

**P: Teach us to serve you with all our gifts and talents. Amen.**

**\* PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

God of mercy and abundant love, we have gathered this day to hear your healing words of compassion and to be transformed by your love. Help us to become more faithful servants in our thoughts, words, and deeds. It is in Jesus' Name, we pray. AMEN.

***PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD***

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

James 1:17-27

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

**\*HYMN: The Gift of Love**

**#408**

**THE WORD OF GOD EXPLORED**

Pastor Joel Holcomb

***GRATEFUL RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD***

**OFFERTORY**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**\*DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND PASTOR**

**THE 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

**\*HYMN: I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me**

**#2153**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE: Lord of the Dance**

*\*Indicates standing if that is comfortable for you.*

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