

August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
9<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost  
**GATHERING FOR WORSHIP**

**PRELUDE:** Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**QUIET HYMN: Be Still, My Soul** #534

**SILENT PRAYER**

**\*HYMN: Lord, I Want to Be a Christian** #402

***CENTERING FOR WORSHIP***

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: We are caught up in the trials and tribulations of our everyday lives.

**P: The world seems to swirl around us, as a whirlpool, pulling us downward.**

L: Bad news blasts us from every direction.

**P: We need God's healing touch right now.**

L: Help us to believe in your healing love, O God.

**P: Help us to focus our lives on your redeeming presence.**

L: Enable us to reach out to each other and to our community.

**P: Give us the strength, determination, and commitment to speak your word of peace.**

**ALL: AMEN!**

**\* PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

God, we come to you this day with so many things going on in our lives. Some of these things are wonderful and cause us to rejoice. However, there are far too many things that cause us fear and anxiety. Humbly we wait for your presence with us. We need your healing touch. Feed us with the bread of life, that we may hunger no more. Strengthen us to do your will, for it is in Jesus' Name, we pray. AMEN.

***PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD***

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Ephesian 4:25-5:2

John 6:25, 41-51

**\*HYMN: Let There Be Peace on Earth** #431

**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've Got Peace Like a River** #2145

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE: We are Called**

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

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