

**Order of Worship**  
**August 28, 2016 – 11:00 a.m.**  
**Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Welcome & Announcements

**PRAISE AND ADORATION**

Call to Worship: (responsively)

Leader: Let us join with the ancient Hebrews in the words of  
Psalm 122:1.

**All: I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the  
house of the Lord.**

Leader: Who are we, who gather here in the name of the Lord?

**All: We are those who come from north and south, from  
east and west, to worship God and fellowship with his  
saints in this place. Hallelujah, let us worship our God,  
together.**

\*Hymn: "Amazing Grace" (accompanied by Rachel and Greg  
Marler) # 280

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession: (in unison)

**God of the ages, you call us to walk seemingly impossible  
paths in our lives; but we often find ourselves stuck in the  
mud of what we can do on our own. You call us to trust you  
with our unknown future; but we prefer to stay with what we  
can see and understand. You call us to live by faith in you; but  
we find it difficult to live beyond our own abilities. Forgive us  
Lord. Send your Holy Spirit to us and empower us to live more  
faithfully as your chosen people, trusting in your love and  
care for us each and every day. In the name of Christ we pray.  
Amen.**

Confession Response: "**Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have  
mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.**" # 574

Assurance of Pardon

Greeting One Another

\*Response "Gloria Patri" # 579

**HEARING THE WORD**

Let the Children Come

Children's Sermon

Songs from the Children: "This Is My Father's World"  
and "Do Lord"

Favorite Hymn Medley: **Please see the insert**

Scripture Reading: John 15:1-8

Meditation: "Bug Warning"

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

Special Music: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" – Phillip Pershing

**Eucharist**

Invitation to the Table

May the Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift our hearts up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Communion of the People

Prayer after Communion

Offertory and Presentation of Gifts to God

Special Music: "His Eye Is on the Sparrow" – Rachel and Greg  
Marler

\*Doxology # 592

Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn: "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" # 438

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Benediction Response: "God be with you til we meet again; by his  
counsels guide, uphold you; with his sheep securely fold you; God  
be with you til we meet again."