

Peace United Church of Christ



Worship Resources for the Ninth Sunday After Pentecost July 30, 2023

Welcome

Opening Hymn "Immortal, Invisible"

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Thy great Name we praise.

To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small;
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish but naught changeth Thee.

Prayer of Invocation

*God of the ancients,
you established covenant with our ancestors,
asking only that they trust and honor you.
In Jesus, covenant became relationship, conversation,
servanthood.
By your Holy Spirit, continue to weave together the threads
of connection into a broadcloth of unity,
that the world will know love and peace.
Amen*

Scripture Reading Romans 8: 26-39 Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52

Meditation

Prayers of the People/The Prayer of Our Savior (debts and debtors)

Closing Hymn "Lord, Dismiss Us, With Thy Blessing"

Lord, dismiss us with Thy blessing; Fill our hearts with joy and peace;
Let us each Thy love possessing, Triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us, O refresh us, Trav'ling through this wilderness.

Thanks we give and adoration For Thy Gospel's joyful sound;
May the fruits of Thy salvation In our hearts and lives abound.
Ever faithful, ever faithful, To the truth may we be found.

Sending Song

Benediction & Sending Forth