



**Peace United Church of Christ  
Worship Resources for the Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 1, 2024**

**Welcome**

**Opening Hymn            “Beautiful Savior”**

Beautiful Savior, King of Creation Son of God and Son of Man!  
Truly I'd love Thee, truly I'd serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

Fair are the meadows, Fair are the woodlands, Robed in the flow'rs of blooming spring;  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, He makes our sorr'wing spirit sing.

**Prayer of Invocation**

*God, we come this day  
because we want to know more about Jesus.  
We want to model his patience, his endurance,  
his courage, his obedience.  
Take us deeper, open our eyes and hearts wider,  
that we may see his presence in the world.  
Amen*

**Scripture Readings**    James 1: 17-27            Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

## **Meditation**

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

#### **Closing Song   “Beneath the Cross of Jesus”**

Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand,  
The shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land;  
A home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way,  
From the burning of the noontide heat, and the burden of the day.

O safe and happy shelter, O refuge tried and sweet,  
O trysting place where Heaven's love and Heaven's justice meet!  
As to the holy patriarch that wondrous dream was giv'n,  
So seems my Savior's cross to me, a ladder up to heav'n.

#### **Benediction & Sending Forth**