



## **Worship Resources for June 13, 2021 The Third Sunday after Pentecost**

### **Welcome**

### **Opening Song "More Love to Thee, O Christ"**

More love to Thee, O Christ; More love to Thee; Hear Thou the pray'r I make On bended knee;  
This is my earnest plea, More love, O Christ, to Thee, More love to Thee; More love to Thee.

Once earthly joy I craved, Sought peace and rest; Now thee alone I seek, Give what is best; This  
all my pray'r shall be, More love, O Christ, to Thee, More love to Thee; More love to Thee.

### **Opening Prayer**

*God of the tall trees and tiny sprouts,  
of Lebanon cedars and California redwoods,  
we thank you for nestling us in your presence  
under the canopy of compassion  
and the presence of your Spirit.  
We know that, at times, our branches droop,  
and we feel the weight of mistakes and disappointments.  
Help us to receive the nourishment of your grace,  
to stand tall and grow together.  
Amen*

### **Scripture Readings**

Ezekiel 17: 22-24

Mark 4: 26-34

### **Meditation**

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

### **Closing Song "Nearer, My God to Thee"**

Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee! E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me,  
Still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to Thee. Nearer, my God, to Thee, Nearer to Thee!

There in my Father's home, safe and at rest, There in my Savior's love, perfectly blest;  
Age after age to be, nearer my God to Thee. Nearer, my God, to Thee, Nearer to Thee!

**Benediction**

**Threefold Amen**