

# Peace United Church of Christ



## Worship Resources for the Seventh Sunday After Pentecost July 16, 2023

### 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 of unifying love,  
we are grateful that you have set before us  
this day of worship and community.  
We thank you that we can gather  
under the canopy of grace that Jesus brings to the earth.  
Guide us toward that which connects us,  
and help us not to be threatened by our differences.  
In Christ's name we pray. Amen*

**Scripture Reading**      Genesis 25: 19-34      Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

### Meditation

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

## **Sending Song    “More Love to Thee”**

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.

Then shall my latest breath, Whisper Thy praise,  
This be the parting cry My heart shall raise;  
This still its pray'r shall be, More love, O Christ, to Thee,  
More love to Thee; More love to Thee.

## **Benediction & Sending Forth**