



Peace United Church of Christ
Worship Resources for the Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 7, 2025

Welcome

Opening Hymn “For the Beauty of the Earth”

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth over and around us lies.
Lord of all, to Thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the beauty of each hour, of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flow'r, sun and moon, and stars of light.
Lord of all, to Thee we raise, this our hymn of grateful praise.

Prayer of Invocation

***God of goodness and blessing, we come before you this day
to know and be known by you, to find in you the meaning we seek.
Help us to trust in you, and through you, to trust in ourselves.
In Christ, lead us to discover who we can be and how we can serve.
In His name we pray, Amen***

Scripture Readings

Philemon 1: 1-21

Luke 14: 25-33

Meditation

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

Closing Hymn “For the Beauty of the Earth”

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild, [Refrain]

For yourself, best gift divine, to the world so freely given,
agent of God's grand design: peace on earth and joy in heaven. [Refrain]

Benediction & Sending Forth