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***14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost***



# ***Order of Worship***

*\*Please stand in either body or spirit*

PRELUDE

*“God Who Moves the Mountains”*

WELCOME

*Pastor John*

CALL TO WORSHIP *(unison)*

*Sarah Ritchea*

*Make a joyful noise to the Lord*

*Worship the Lord with gladness*

*Come into His presence with singing*

*Know that the Lord is God.*

*It is He that made us and we are His.*

*We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.*

*Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise.*

*Give thanks to Him, bless His name*

*For the Lord is good: His steadfast love endures forever and His faithfulness to all generations.*

\*GATHERING HYMN

*“I Am Thine O Lord”*

*UMH 419*

\*OPENING PRAYER

*Pastor John*

*Father, in Heaven, our hearts desire the warmth of Your love and our minds are searching for the light of Your Word. Increase our longing for Christ our Savior and give us the strength to grow in love, that the dawn of His coming may find us rejoicing in His presence and welcoming the light of this truth. We ask this in the name of Jesus our Lord. Amen.*

HYMN OF PRAISE

*“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”*

*UMH 89 vs 1&2*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Sarah Ritchea*

*Gracious God, we confess our sins before You. We have not loved one another as Christ loved us. We have not forgiven one another as we have been forgiven. We have not given ourselves in love and service for the world as Christ gave Himself for us.*

*Forgive us. Send Your Holy Spirit to us, that He may give us the power to live and offer mercy. Through Jesus Christ we pray.*

GLORIA PATRAI                      *“Glory Be to the Father”*                      UMH 71  
*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world  
without end. Amen. Amen.*

CHILDREN'S SERMON                      *Pastor John & Betty Britsch*

JOYS AND CONCERNS                      *Pastor John*

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY SONG                      *“Shoulders”*

\*DOXOLOGY                      UMH 95

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION                      *Betty Britsch*

OLD TESTAMENT READING      *Nehemiah 4: 1-14*                      *Betty Britsch*

SERMON                      *“Discouragement”*                      *Pastor John*

\*AFFIRMATION                      *Sarah Ritchea*  
*From 1Timothy*                      UMH 889

\*HYMN OF INVITATION                      *“Pass It On”*                      UMH 572

\*BENEDICTION



*Worship Leaders*  
*Rev. John Britsch*



<b>Liturgist</b>	<b>Music Leader</b>	<b>Children's Sermon</b>
Sarah Ritchea	Sarah Ritchea	Pastor John & Betty Britsch

<b>Greeters/Ushers</b>
Mildred & Stayton Weldon

