21st Sunday after Pentecost

October 9, 2016 ◆ 11:00 a.m. Worship

GATHERING

Welcome

Prelude *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* arr. Vogt

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth! Come and see what God has done!

People: God has turned our sea into dry land. We have passed through the river on foot.

Leader: Bless our God, O peoples. Let the sound of God's praise be heard!

People: When you tested and tried us, O God, you brought us out to a spacious place. You kept us among the living and prevented our feet from slipping.

Leader: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth!

People: How awesome are the deeds of our God! Amen!

***Hymn #140** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

Opening Prayer

We give praise to you, O God, for you are awesome and amazing. We remember your deeds and faithfulness—deeds that have brought us to this day, faithfulness that has helped us weather life's storms. We have gone through fire and water, and stand before you today in gratitude and praise. How awesome are your deeds, O God! Amen.

PROCLAMATION

Old Testament Reading – Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.
People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

***Psalter** – Psalm 66:8-12 Hymnal, Page 790

***Gloria Patri #70**

Epistle Reading – 2 Timothy 2:8-15

***Hymn #415** *Take Up Thy Cross*

***Gospel Reading** – Luke 17:11-19

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.
People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Children's Message

Sermon - "Don't Let Suffering Deter You" Pastor Alan

RESPONSE

***Affirmation of Faith #881** – The Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the People

The Pastor will lift up a series of petitions. After each petition:
Leader: Lord in your mercy
People: Hear our Prayer.

Invitation

Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon

***Passing of the Peace**

Offering & Offertory *Here I Am, Lord* arr. Page
Sanctuary Choir

***Doxology** (UMH #95)

THANKSGIVING & COMMUNION

***The Great Thanksgiving** (UMH, pg. 17, Setting A)

***The Lord's Prayer**

Sharing of the Bread & Cup

Prayer After Receiving (UMH, pg. 11)

SENDING FORTH

***Hymn #89** *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*

***Benediction**

***Postlude** *Prelude from 'Te Deum* Charpentier

**For those who are able, please stand*