

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
**United Church of Christ**  
**July 13, 2014**  
**Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

*Those who are able may stand where marked (\*).*

Gathering #97 "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

Welcome, Announcements and Opening Prayer Ann Craxton

Prelude and Ministry of the Acolyte

Responsive Reading *from Psalm 65:9-13*

ONE: You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it.

ALL: **You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth.**

ONE: You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness.

ALL: **The pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills gird themselves with joy,**

One: the meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck themselves with grain, they shout and sing together for joy.

**All: Praise be to God!!**

\*Hymn #87 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

Special Music "Song of the Temptation " Haas

Moments of Concern and Celebration  
(please fill out a blue card in the pew)  
Pastoral Prayer  
Savior's Prayer (trespasses)

Worship of God with our Tithes and Offerings  
Offertory Music "The Holy City" Adams  
\*Doxology #815  
\*Offertory Prayer

\*Hymn #592 "Jesus Calls Us"

Scripture Isaiah 55:3-13

Sermon "God's Way or Our Way?"

\*Hymn #563 "Open My Eyes"

\*Benediction

\*Response #764 "Trees of the Field"

\*Ministry of the Acolyte and Postlude

*We offer our special thanks to Dale and Marilyn Childs  
who are bringing us our special music today.*