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Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 AM

***Laws of Love: The Commandments for Today
The Law of Reflection***

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

How Great is Our God

by Reeves, Tomlin, & Cash

CALL TO WORSHIP¹ (adapted from Psalm 119)

L: Your word is a lamp unto my feet

P: And a light unto my path.

L: I've promised it once, and I'll promise it again:

P: I will obey your righteous regulations.

L: Lord, accept my offering of praise,

P: Teach me your regulations.

L: Your laws are my treasure; they are my heart's delight.

P: We are determined to keep your decrees to the very end.

OPENING HYMN NO. 8 (black hymnal, see p. 3)

Praise to the Living God

TIME OF CONFESSION

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION²

God of Glory, forgive us. We have not kept you as our priority. We have hesitated to give you control. We have forgotten to trust you. We often make time with you an item on our to-do lists instead of weaving you into each moment of our day. We make idols of what is temporary instead of clinging to you who has been here since the beginning and will reign throughout the ages.

Give us strength to put you first. Give us courage to trust what is unseen. And guide us to be more faithful in our commitment to you.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACT OF PRAISE NO. 2036 (black hymnal, see p. 4)

Give Thanks

ALL SING: Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son. And now let the weak say, "I am strong"; let the poor say, "I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us." Give thanks!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN NO. 423 (black hymnal, see p. 5)

Great Is Your Faithfulness

JOYS & CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC (sung by Dave Firestone)

How Can I Say Thanks by Crouch

SCRIPTURE

Exodus 20: 2-6 & Exodus 32: 1-14

MESSAGE

HYMN NO. 471 (black hymnal, see p. 6)

What a Covenant

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

by Bach

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Praise to the Living God

Piano 

1. Praise to the liv - ing God, the God of love and light, Whose
 2. Praise to the liv - ing God, from whom all things de - rive, Whose
 3. Praise to the liv - ing God, who knows our joy and pain, Who
 4. Praise to the liv - ing God, a - round, with - in, a - bove, Be -

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word brought forth the myr - iad suns and set the worlds in flight; Whose
 Spir - it formed up - on this sphere the first faint seeds of life; Who
 shares with us our com - mon life, the sa - cred and pro - fane. God
 - yond the grasp of hu - man mind, but whom we know as love. In

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in - fi - nite de - sign, which we but dim - ly see, Per -
 caused them to e - volve, un - wit - ting toward God's goal, Till
 toils wher - e'er we toil, in home and mart and mill; And
 these tu - mul - tuous days, so full of hope and strife, May

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- vades all na - ture, mak - ing all a cos - mic u - ni - ty.
 hu - man-kind stood on the earth, as liv - ing, think - ing souls.
 deep with - in the hu - man heart God leads us for - ward still.
 we bear wit - ness to the Way, O Source and Goal of life.

Give Thanks

Piano ♩ = 80

The musical score is written for piano in a 4/4 time signature with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of five staves of music. The first staff starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The tempo is marked as ♩ = 80. The lyrics are written below the notes. The second staff begins with a measure rest labeled '5'. The third staff begins with a measure rest labeled '9'. The fourth staff begins with a measure rest labeled '14'. The fifth staff begins with a measure rest labeled '19' and ends with a double bar line.

Give thanks with a great - ful heart, give thanks to the

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Ho - ly One, give thanks because he's giv-en Je - sus Christ his

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Son. And now let the weak say, "I am strong"; let the poor say, "I am

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rich be-cause of what the Lord has done for us." Give thanks!

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Great Is Your Faithfulness

Piano ♩ = 80

1. Great is your faith - ful-ness, O God, Cre - a - tor, with you no
2. Sum-mer and win - ter, and spring-time and har-vest, sun, moon, and
3. Par-don for sin and a peace so en - dur - ing, your own dear

6

shad-ow of turn-ing we see. You do not change, your com - pas-sions they fail not;
stars in their cours-es a - bove, Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit-ness
pres-ence to cheer and to guide. Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor-row,

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all of your good-ness for - ev - er will be. Great is your faith-ful-ness! Great is your
to your great faith - ful-ness, mer - cy, and love.
bles-sings all mine with ten thou-sand be - side.

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faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by morn-ing new mer-cies I see; All I have need-ed your hand has pro -

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- vid - ed, Great is your faith - ful-ness, God, un - to me!

What a Covenant

♩ = 80

Piano

1. What a cov - e - nant, what a joy di - vine, lean - ing on the ev - er -
2. Oh, how sweet to walk in this pil - grim way, lean - ing on the ev - er -
3. What have I to dread, what have I to fear, lean - ing on the ev - er -

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- last - ing arms. What a bless - ed - ness, what a peace is mine,
- last - ing arms. Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,
- last - ing arms? I have bless - ed peace with my Sav - ior near,

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lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms. Lean - ing, lean - ing, safe and se - cure from
lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.
lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

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all a - larms; lean - ing, lean - ing, lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.