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Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 & 10:30 AM

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE (Sung by Missy Kiefer)

10,000 Reasons

by Redman

CALL TO WORSHIP¹

L: What does the Lord require of us?

P: To do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God.

L: What does God command of us?

P: To love God with all our heart, and all our soul, and all our mind, and all our strength, and to love our neighbors as ourselves.

L: God does not call us to ease or to comfort.

P: But to presence, and abundance, and grace in our struggle.

L: Let us worship the God who believes in us, and trusts in us, and abides with us.

P: Let us worship the God who will ask much of us, but will be beside us every step of the way.

***OPENING HYMN NO. 405** (BH, see p. 4) *There Are Some Things I May Not Know*

***TIME OF CONFESSION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION²

ALL: O God, you make covenants with us and never break them. We find it much harder to keep our word. We offer promises we don't intend to keep, and we make deals that we intend to break. All too often we are not trustworthy—not to you, not to our neighbors, and not even to those we love the most. We are sorry for the pain and disappointment that these sins cause.

We need your Spirit to strengthen our will. Forgive us again, Lord Jesus, for all the ways we fall short of your desires for us, and hear us as we continue to pray in silence...

Time of silent confession.

L: In Jesus' name, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACT OF PRAISE NO. 2036 (black hymnal, see p. 3)

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!

(10:30 AM) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

SPECIAL MUSIC (played by the Holy Dingalings)

Blessed Assurance

Traditional

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.

HYMN NO. 531 (black hymnal, see p. 5)

God Speak to Me That I May Speak

SCRIPTURE

Exodus 20: 16

MESSAGE

HYMN NO. 454 (black hymnal, see p. 6)

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Thank you to the Holy Dingalings for providing special music at both services today! Thank you to Jordyn Myers & Paula Strayer for serving on the Praise Team. Thank you to Dave Firestone, Joe Vacante, Jim Firestone, & Ron Miles for serving on the tech team. Thank you to Deb & Terry Barnes, Nancy & Jeff Slegger, Glenda Abrams, the Stine family, & Dave Firestone for serving on the welcome teams this morning!

¹ The Call to Worship was written by Rev. Eliza Buchakjian-Tweedy, Pastor at First Church Congregational, Rochester, NH and posted at <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2014/06/call-to-worship-genesis-22.html> and accessed on August 23, 2021.

² The Confession was written by Chip Hardwick and posted on the website <https://thepastorsworkshop.com/prayers-of-confession-on-integrity/> and accessed on August 23, 2021.

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Give Thanks

Piano $\text{♩} = 80$

The musical score is written for piano in a 4/4 time signature with a tempo of 80 beats per minute. It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are: "Give thanks with a great - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One, give thanks because he's giv-en Je - sus 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!"

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