



# First Congregational

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# Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 3, 2023



**Worship Leader**

Seth Chronister

**Mini Message**

Diane Highnam

**Director of Music**

Luke Overton

**Guest Preacher**

Rev. Clark Kilgard

**Organist**

Hudson Lourenço-Feld

**Office Manager**

Michelle Wolfe

**Custodian**

Kyle Lindaman

*No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey,  
you are welcome here.*

**Prelude**

Hymn Improvisation

Hudson Lourenço-Feld

**Welcome & Announcements**

Seth Chronister

**Call to Worship**

Psalm 105:1 O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name,  
make known his deeds among the peoples.

Seth Chronister

Leader: Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.

**People: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.**

Leader: Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually.

**People: Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,**

Leader: O offspring of his servant Abraham, children of Jacob, his chosen ones.

**People: Then Israel came to Egypt; Jacob lived as an alien in the land of Ham.**

Leader: And the LORD made his people very fruitful, and made them stronger than their foes,

**People: whose hearts he then turned to hate his people, to deal craftily with his servants.**

Leader: He sent his servant Moses, and Aaron whom he had chosen.

**People: Praise the LORD!**

<b>*Prayer of Invocation</b>		Seth Chronister
<b>*Opening Hymn</b>	<i>Sing Praise to God, Who Has Shaped</i>	#22 (NCH - Black)
<b>Mini-Message</b>		Diane Highnam
<b>Joys &amp; Concerns</b>		Seth Chronister
<b>Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer</b> Seth Chronister		
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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.		
<b>Invitation to Offertory</b>		Seth Chronister
<b>Offertory</b>	Hymn Improvisation	Hudson Lourenço-Feld
<b>*Doxology</b>		#515 (Pilgrim - Red)
<b>*Prayer of Dedication</b>		Seth Chronister
<b>Reading of the Scripture</b>		
<b>*Hymn</b>	<i>O Day of God, Draw Near</i>	#611 (NCH - Black)
<b>Message</b>	<i>"What Have You Got to Lose?"</i>	Rev. Clark Kilgard
<b>*Closing Hymn</b>	<i>Guide Me, O My Great Redeemer</i>	#18 (NCH - Black)
<b>*Benediction</b>		
<b>Postlude</b>	Hymn Improvisation	Hudson Lourenço-Feld
	* You are invited to Stand	