

Children's Bulletin  
First Parish Congregational Church  
July 26, 2020



Please gather the following (optional) items to help you worship today:

- Crayons, markers, or colored pencils
- You'll find a special activities to complete during the sermon and scripture message for various ages on the final pages of this Children's Bulletin. This week there are special codes for additional computer games if you'd like to log into [Children's Bulletin.com](http://Children's Bulletin.com) as well.



Words of Welcome

Go around the room and greet each person (and pet!) and wave to everyone else worshipping out there with you today



Sing along! HYMN: Have Thine Own Way, Lord



Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!  
Thou art the potter, I am the clay.  
Mold me and make me after thy will,  
while I am waiting, yielded and still.  
Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!  
Search me and try me, Savior today!  
Wash me just now, Lord, wash me just now,  
as in thy presence humbly I bow.

Call to Worship & Invocation

Read out loud the words in bold if you can.

## CALL TO WORSHIP:



One: Draw near to meditate and pray, to deepen our relationship with God.

**Many: Let us bring our songs of joy and thankfulness.**

One: We will blow trumpets, sound tambourines and play lyre and harp.

**Many: Our hearts and voices join in a chorus of praise.**

One: Let us give up our burdens to the One who cares about us.

**Many: Let us not conform to any earthly power to order to serve our God.**

## INVOCATION (unison):

**Light of lights, shine into our darkness and grant knowledge of your glory in the face of Christ Jesus. As Paul says, we are afflicted but not crushed; perplexed but not driven to despair, struck down but not destroyed-for we are confident of your presence wherever we go. Feed our hungers, heal our brokenness, melt away our conflicts, that we may be one in the body of Christ to continue the work of Jesus in our world today. Amen**



**SONG OF PRAISE** When Morning Gilds the Skies

Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine,

May Jesus Christ be praised!

Be this the eternal song, through all the ages long:

May Jesus Christ be praised!



### Time Especially for Children

Let's sing "Jesus loves me"

Come in close and bring your listening ears

Let's learn the Lord's Prayer in Sign

Language! <https://youtu.be/EVcYGOWJuns>

I challenge you to practice at home, I will, too!



### THE LORD'S PRAYER:

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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory forever. Amen.

Scripture Reading

**NEW TESTAMENT: 2 Corinthians 4:1-18 Treasure in Clay Jars**



What is the treasure in the jars of clay and who are the jars of clay?



Sermon ~ Diana Sweeney (Member in Discernment)

During this time, as you listen to the sermon, please enjoy the activities found on the last pages of the Children's Bulletin or enjoy Mrs. Sweeney's sermon!

**MEDITATION SONG: "Take Care" by Matthew West - YouTube video**

Invitation to Generosity



**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Thank you, God, for the privilege of giving. We have received so much! Now it is our joy to share. You empower our earning and our use of the treasures we possess. Bless today's offering and tomorrow's spending with insight, compassion, and responsible stewardship. May our giving for others reflect your generosity toward us. Amen.

Sharing Joys and Concerns:

Do you have a joy or concern you'd like to share with the congregation?

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## My Prayer Requests

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**HYMN # 4: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You**

Joyful, joyful, we adore You, God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flowers before You, opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the storms of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

You are giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blessed.  
Well-spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!  
Loving Spirit, Father, Mother, All who love belong to you;  
Teach us how to love each other, by that love our joy renew.

## **BLESSING**

**Postlude** “Go now in peace. Go now in peace. May the love of God surround you everywhere, everywhere you may go.”

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### **Virtual Coffee Hour**

Share your artwork with everyone!

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# Children's Worship Bulletin™

Ages 7+

July 26, 2020 • 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

## The Light of the Gospel

God, who created the sun, moon and stars to light our sky, also gives light to our lives.

Fill in the blanks, using the numbered words from the sun. Always go in the direction of the arrows.

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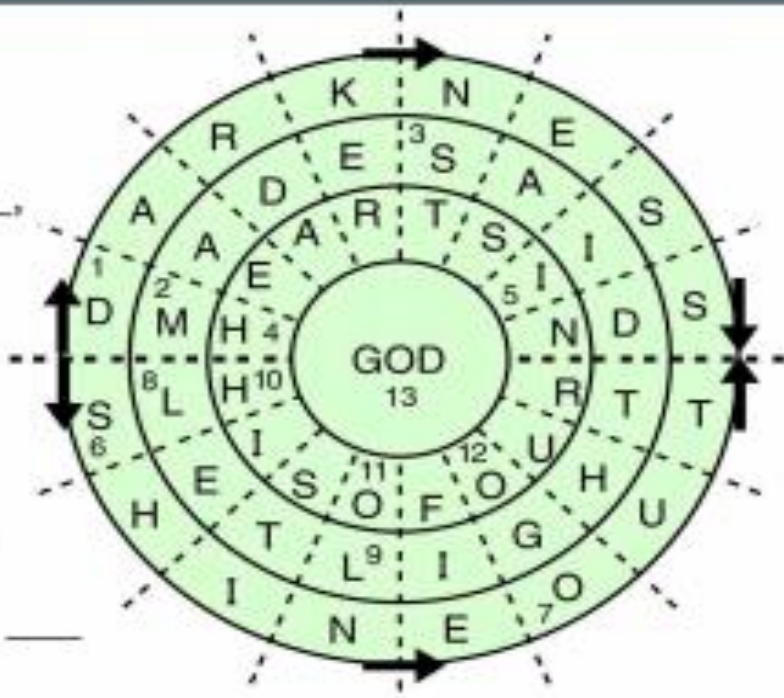
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There is Freedom in the Lord

God gives us hope.

Find and **circle** 5 differences in the 2nd picture.



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