

First Presbyterian Church of Pasadena

Baptism of the Lord

January 07, 2018

10:30 am



Mission Statement

“Our mission is to live and share the good news of God’s love, grace, and mercy in Jesus Christ, to equip people for discipleship and service, and to work for social justice and peace.”

Dear God, thank You for the gift of a new year
to serve You
help me to talk right
help me to walk right
help me to see right
help me to feel right
help me to do right
In Your Sight.

Marian Wright Edelman from Guide My Feet



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Leading in Worship Today

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Service for the Lord's Day
Gathering Around the Word of God

Welcome and Life of the Church

Minute for Mission

Prelude: *The Peaceable Things*

Clay R. Christiansen

Introit: #142 (verse 3) *On This Day Earth Shall Ring*

Gustav Holst

†**Call to Worship**

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song;

All: sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Leader: The voice of the Lord is over the waters,

All: and in the temple God's people say: Glory!

†**Hymn of Praise:** #132 *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*

Call to Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen

Silent Confession

Liturgist: Amen

698 Take, O Take Me as I Am

Musical score for the hymn "Take, O Take Me as I Am". The score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: "Take, O take me as I am; sum-mon out what I shall be; set your seal up-on my heart and live in me."

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe and live the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

†**Glory Be to The Father (Gloria Patri) #581**

†**Sharing the Peace of Christ**

Chancel Time with Children

Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love.
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Anthem: *Do You Hear What I Hear?*

Harry Simeone

Said the night wind to the little lamb,

"Do you see what I see? Way up in the sky, little lamb.

A star, a star, dancing in the night, with a tail as big as a kite."

Said the little lamb to the shepherd boy,

"Do you hear what I hear? Ringing through the sky, shepherd boy,

A song, a song high above the tree, with a voice as big as the sea."

Said the shepherd boy to the mighty king,

"Do you know what I know? In your palace warm mighty king.

A Child, a Child shivers in the cold, let us bring Him silver and gold."

Said the king to the people ev'rywhere,

"Listen to what I say: Pray for peace, people ev'rywhere!

The Child, the Child sleeping in the night, He will bring us goodness and light,

He will bring us goodness and light. Bring us light!"

Proclaiming the Word of God

Prayer for Illumination #288 *Spirit of the Living God*

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

First Lesson: Isaiah 60:1-6 (p. 528)

Sermon Lesson: Matthew 2:1-12 (p. 681)

Sermon: "Openness and Resistance from the Outset"

Rev. Jim Currie

Responding to the Word of God

†**Affirmation of Faith:** Apostles' Creed (p. 35)

†**Hymn of Affirmation:** #151 *We Three Kings of Orient Are*

Offering Our Gifts to God

Offertory Music: *As With Gladness Men of Old*

Henry J. Markworth

†**Doxology:** #606 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

†**Prayer of Dedication**

Taking the Word of God into the World

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer (p. 35)

†**Hymn of Inspiration:** #108 *Of the Father's Love Begotten*

†**Benediction**

Response: #192 (verse 1) *Shine, Jesus, Shine*

Graham Kendrick

†**Postlude:** *Fugue in A Major*

Friedrich Wilhelm Zachau