

# First Presbyterian Church of Pasadena

*Fourth Sunday after Epiphany*

January 28, 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.”*

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God of many names,  
my name is known to you.  
I am held in the hand of your life,  
and I do not know what you will make of me.  
All I know is that I cannot make myself  
any more than I could in my mother’s womb.  
But this I can do,  
this I choose,  
to give myself into the hand of your continuing  
creativity.  
My past, with its joys and triumphs, its failures and  
regrets.  
My present, with its struggles and accomplishments, its  
failures and regrets.  
My future, with its fears and freedom, its pain and  
promise.  
To loose and to bind, to stretch and to shape,  
to become what I will,  
trusting the hand that made the world  
trusting the spirit that breathes life  
trusting the love that will not let me go  
trusting the promise of the Word made flesh.

Kathy Galloway, Scotland  
Prayers Encircling the World

**Leading in Worship Today**

Rev. Dr. James Currie, Preaching  
Jim Keith, Liturgist  
Marilyn Wilkins, Music Director  
Martha McWilliams, Organist  
Barry Webb, Audio-Visual Ministry



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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:** *Variations on For the Beauty of the Earth*

Markworth and Bobb

**Introit:** #699 *Fill My Cup*

Isaiah Jones Jr.

#### †Call to Worship

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song;

**All: sing to the Lord, all the earth.**

Leader: Give thanks to God with your whole heart.

**All: Great are the works of the Lord.**

†**Hymn of Praise:** #14 *For the Beauty of the Earth*

#### Call to Confession

#### Corporate Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. Amen**

#### Silent Confession

**Liturgist:** Amen

#### 698 Take, O Take Me as I Am

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!**

#### Chancel Time with Children

Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love.

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**Anthem:** *Surely the Lord Is in This Place*

Herbert Colvin

Surely the Lord is in this place.  
This is none other than the House of God.  
And this is the Gate of Heav'n.  
Surely the Lord is in this place.

#### 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:** Psalm III (p. 434)

**Sermon Lesson:** Mark 1:21-28 (p. 707)

**Sermon:** "On Healing and Wholeness"

Rev. Jim Currie

#### Responding to the Word of God

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

†**Hymn of Affirmation:** #157 *I Danced in the Morning*

#### Offering Our Gifts to God

**Offertory Music:** *Recit de Nazard*

Clerambault

†**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:** #727 *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant*

†**Benediction**

**Response:** #765 *May the God of Hope Go with Us*

Alvin Schutmaat

†**Postlude:** *Caprice sur les Grand Jeux*

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