

## Taking the Word of God into the World

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

† **Hymn of Inspiration:** #526 *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

### † Benediction

**Response:** #458. *Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet*

Michael W. Smith

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

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When I feel astray, and I think I've lost my way, still you're there right beside me.

Nothing will I fear as long as you are near.

Please be near me to the end.

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† **Postlude:** *Fugue in G Major, Op. 34, #4*

Anton Arensky



### 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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# First Presbyterian Church of Pasadena

## World Communion Sunday

October 1, 2017

10:30 am

God of illumination,  
you call us beyond our imagining  
to tasks beyond our powers.

Empower our service and enlighten our worship  
that we may know and proclaim the light of the world.

Joy Tetley, England



### Leading in Worship Today

Rev. Lauren Suba, Preaching  
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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:** *Festival Overture*

FPC Handbells

Kevin McChesney

**Introit:** #512 *The Bread and the Wine Are Here*

Daniel Charles Damon

**†Call to Worship**

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

**All: God's steadfast love endures forever.**

Leader: Let every tongue confess the good news:

**All: Jesus Christ is Lord; glory to God!**

**†Hymn of Praise:** #321 *The Church's One Foundation*

**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

**Assurance of Pardon**

#71 *Surely, It Is God Who Saves Me* (refrain only)

Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,  
and God will be my Savior.

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:** *In You, We Are One*

Jay Althouse

Is not this bread we break a sharing of Thy body?

Is not this cup we bless a sharing of Thy blood?

Though we are many, with You, Lord, we are one.

Though we are many, with You, Lord, we are one.

Is not this bread we break Thy spirit and Thy grace?

Is not this wine we drink Thy tears in mercy shed?

Though we are many, with You, Lord, we are one.

Though we are many, with You, Lord, we are one.

Is not this house a place of blessed sanctuary?

Is not this day a time of love?

Is not this bread we break a sharing of Thy body?

Is not this cup we bless a sharing of Thy blood?

Though we are many, with You, Lord, we are one.

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

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;

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

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

**First Lesson:** Ezekiel 18: 1-4, 25-32 (p. 597)

**Sermon Lesson:** Philippians 2: 1-13 (p. 831)

**Sermon:** "Jesus, make me see myself better."

Rev. Lauren Suba

**Responding to the Word of God**

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

**†Hymn of Affirmation:** #494 *Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts*

**Offering Our Gifts to God**

**Offertory Music:** *O, How I Love Jesus*

American Melody, arr. by Joel Raney

Martha Braswell and Margaret Bardin

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

**†Prayer of Dedication**

**Sealing the Word of God**

**Sacrament of The Lord's Supper**

**Invitation**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Breaking, Pouring, Sharing** #527 *Eat This Bread*

*(Please note during The Lord's Supper both wine and grape juice are served.*

*To distinguish between the two, the wine is red and the grape juice is white.)*

**Prayer after Communion**