

First Presbyterian Church of Pasadena

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 13, 2017

10:30



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.”

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the way of peace.
Come into the brokenness of our lives and our land with your healing love.
Help us to be willing to bow before you in true repentance, and to bow to one another in real forgiveness.
By the fire of your Holy Spirit, melt our hard hearts and consume the pride and prejudice which separate us.
Fill us, O Lord, with your perfect love which casts out fear and bind us together in that unity which you share with the Father and the Holy Spirit.

A prayer used in the Irish Republic and in Northern Ireland

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Leading in Worship Today

Mark Corder, Preaching
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Marilyn Wilkins, Music Director
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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: *Moderato*

Felix Mendelssohn

†Call to Worship

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

All: God's steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Let us hear what the Lord will speak.

All: God will speak peace to the faithful.

†Hymn of Praise #837 *What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine*

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 judgement. 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

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

Anthem: *In His Hands*

Gary Chapman and Michael W. Smith

Holly Liechty

Prayer for Illumination *God Has Something to Say*

"God has something to say. God has something to say.
Listen, listen...Pay attention...
God has something to say."
(Ghost Ranch Prayer for Illumination)

First Lesson: Psalm 17:6-9 (p. 389)

Sermon Lesson: John 15:9-15 (p. 764)

Sermon: "Christ's Presence"

Mark Corder

Responding to the Word of God

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

†Hymn of Affirmation #735 *I Need Thee Every Hour*

Offering Our Gifts to God

Offertory Music: *Simple Gifts*

M. Hayes

†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 #838 *Standing on the Promises*

†Benediction

†Response #43 (refrain) *On Eagle's Wings*

Michael Joncas

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of his hand.

†Postlude: *Bouree*

J. S. Bach