

**Taking the Word of God into the World**

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

† **Hymn of Inspiration #223** *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

† **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:** *Fugue in G minor*

J. S. Bach



**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

*Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost*

August 20, 2017

10:30 am

The poor and the weak have revealed to me  
the great secret of Jesus.  
If you wish to follow him  
you must not try to climb the ladder of success and power,  
becoming more and more important.  
Instead, you must walk down the ladder,  
to meet and walk with people  
who are broken and in pain.  
The light is there, shining in the darkness,  
the darkness of their poverty.  
The poor with whom you are called to share your life  
are the sick and the old;  
people out of work  
young people caught up in the world of drugs,  
people angry because they were terribly hurt  
when they were young,  
people with disabilities or sick with AIDS,  
or just out of prison...  
people who are oppressed  
because of the color of their skin...  
people in pain.

Jean Vanier, Canada



**Leading in Worship Today**

Rev. Dr. Jim Currie, 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**

**†Call to Worship**

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

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

Leader: Maintain justice, and do what is right.

**All: God our Savior is coming soon.**

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

**Call to Confession**

**Corporate Prayer of Confession**

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. 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:** *Come to the Table*

Allen Pote

Come, come, come to the table and bring your joy,  
bring all your gladness and come, come, come to the table.  
Eat the bread, drink the wine, come rejoice in the Lord.

Bring all your sorrow, bring all your pain, bring all the heartaches you bear.  
Bring who you are and hope to become, come to the table to share.

Come, come, come to the table, remember Christ,  
remember his love when you come, come, come to the table.  
Come in faith, come to serve, come rejoice in the Lord.

Share in the bread, share in the wine, share in the risen Lord.  
Share as a family, come in community, one in the name of the Lord.

Come, come, come to the table to follow Christ forgiven and free,  
you must come, come, come to the table.

Come in faith, come in love, come rejoice in the Lord.  
Rejoice in the Lord!

**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:** John 10:1-10 (p. 759)

**Sermon Lesson:** Genesis 45:1-15 (p. 35)

**Sermon:** “Joseph and His Brothers”

Rev. Jim Currie

**Responding to the Word of God**

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

**†Hymn of Affirmation #216 *Beneath the Cross of Jesus***

**Offering Our Gifts to God**

**Offertory Music:** *Oh, Savior Hear Us*

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**†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**