

Offering Our Gifts to God

Offertory Music: *Wade in the Water*

Wilbur Held

† **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 #66** *Every Time I Feel the Spirit*

† **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:** *They Will Know We Are Christians by our Love*

Wilbur Held

First Presbyterian Church of Pasadena

Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 7, 2017

10:30

God's aid

God to enfold me,
God to surround me,
God in my speaking,
God in my thinking.

God in my sleeping,
God in my waking,
God in my watching
God in my hoping.

God in my life,
God in my lips,
God in my soul,
God in my heart.

God in my sufficing,
God in my slumber
God in mine ever-living soul,
God in mine eternity.

from The Celtic Vision

Leading in Worship Today...

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"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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Service for the Lord's Day

Gathering Around the Word of God

Welcome and Life of the Church

Minute for Mission

Prelude: *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

FPC Handbells

Anna Laura Page

Introit: #469 *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*

Ken Medema

†Call to Worship:

Leader: The Lord is risen! Alleluia!

All: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

Leader: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want

All: I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

†**Hymn of Praise #645** *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

Call to Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

Holy Shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, where we celebrate with you forever. 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: *Down to the River to Pray*

arr. Sheldon Curry

As I went down to the river to pray, studyin' about that good ol' way
and who shall wear the starry crown. Good Lord, show me the way.

O sisters, let's go down, let's go down, come on down.

O sisters, let's go down, down to the river to pray.

As I went down to the river to pray, studyin' about that good ol' way
and who shall wear the robe and crown. Good Lord, show me the way.

O brothers, let's go down, let's go down, come on down.

O brothers, let's go down, down to the river to pray.

As I went down to the river to pray, studyin' about that good ol' way
and who shall wear the starry crown. Good Lord, show me the way.

O fathers, let's go down, let's go down, come on down.

O fathers, let's go down, down to the river to pray.

As I went down to the river to pray, studyin' about that good ol' way
and who shall wear the robe and crown. Good Lord, show me the way.

O mothers, let's go down, come on down, don't-cha wanna go down.

O mothers, let's go down, down to the river to pray.

As I went down to the river to pray, studyin' about that good ol' way
and who shall wear the starry crown. Good Lord, show me the way.

O sinners, let's go down, let's go down, come on down.

O sinners, let's go down, down to the river to pray.

As I went down to the river to pray, studyin' about that good ol' way
and who shall wear the starry crown. Good Lord, show me the way.

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 139:1-18 (p. 444)

Sermon Lesson: Luke 11:1, 5-13 (p. 735)

Sermon: "Taco and a Prayer"

Rev. Jim Currie

Responding to the Word of God

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

†**Hymn of Affirmation #465** *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*