

Prayer by J. Philip Newell in *Sounds of the Eternal: A Celtic Psalter* (p. 26)

As the day's light breaks the darkness of the night,
as the first movements of the morning pierce the night's stillness,
so a new waking to life dawns within me,
so a fresh beginning opens.
In the early light of this day,
in the first actions of the morning,
let me be awake to life.
In my soul and in my seeing
let me be alive to the gift of this new day,
let me be fully alive.

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First Presbyterian Church of Pasadena

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

July 26, 2015

10:30 am



Leading in Worship Today..

The Rev. 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: *The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

arr. John Benke

†Call to Worship:

Leader: Look to the Lord, for God is faithful,

All: giving us our food in due season.

Leader: Call on the Lord, for God is near,

All: ready to rescue us from danger.

†Hymn of Praise #386: *Come, Worship God*

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your way. You are always faithful to us, yet we pursue our own desires. You are generous beyond measure, yet we jealously hoard your gifts. Forgive us, God of grace. Help us to comprehend the height and depth and breadth of your great love for all; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession

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!

†Glory Be to The Father (Gloria Patri) #580

†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."

Special Music: *Thee Will I Love*

Jim Braswell

Craig Courtney

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 14 (p. 388)

Sermon Lesson: Ephesians 3:14-21 (p. 828)

Sermon: "A High View of the Church "

Rev. Jim Currie

Responding to the Word of God

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

†Hymn of Affirmation #310: *I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord*

Offering Our Gifts to God

Offertory Music: *My Jesus I Love Thee*

Improvisation

†Doxology #609: *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 #688: *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart*
(Played and sung to the tune of *Abide with Me* #836)

†Benediction

†Postlude: *They Will Know We are Christians By Our Love*

Wilbur Held