

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

† **Hymn of Inspiration #79:** *Light Dawns on a Weary World*

† **Benediction**

† **Response #746:** *Send Me, Jesus*

South African

† **Postlude:** *Praise to the Lord*

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First Presbyterian Church
of Pasadena

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 30, 2015

10:30 am

Early in the morning I seek your presence, O God,
not because you are ever absent from me
but because often I am absent from you
at the heart of each moment
where you forever dwell.
In the rising of the sun,
in the unfolding colour and shape of the morning
open my eyes to the mystery of this moment
that in every moment of the day
I may know your life-giving presence.
Open my eyes to this moment
that in every moment
I may know you as the One who is always now.

(from J. Philip Newell's *Sounds of the Eternal*, p. 74)



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Leading in Worship Today..

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Service for the Lord's Day

Gathering Around the Word of God

The prayer on the back of the bulletin is intended to help people prepare for worship.

Welcome and Life of the Church

Minute for Mission

Prelude: *Prelude in G Major*

J. S. Bach

Introit #717: *For the Life That You Have Given*

Leavitt's Christian Lyre

† Call to Worship:

Leader: With our words and in our actions,

All: let us praise the living God.

Leader: With our lips and in our lives,

All: let us glorify the Lord.

† **Hymn of Praise #32:** *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your way. You lavish your love upon us, yet we let our hearts grow cold. You wash us clean in your mercy, yet we defile ourselves in sin. Forgive us, God of grace. Give us a new religion: to love you and one another even as you have loved us; 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."

Anthem: *Giver of Every Perfect Gift*

K. Lee Scott

Phil Hilson, violin

Giver of every perfect gift, You shape my life from womb to grave.
Reveal your good and gracious will that plants me in this time and place.
Display the gifts assigned to me. Make them a witness to your name.

You planned and know the gifts I have; creator God, from you they come,
Unique and special, from your heart, intended for a chosen role.
Thrill me to find and recognize the talents only you can give.

Revealing Word, sent Son of God, proclaimer of the Kingdom's dawn,
It is for you, because of you, that every talent is bestowed.
You have a part for me to fill, a purpose for this life of mine.

Enabling Spirit, Gift of gifts, empower me, stir up my faith,
Make me an instrument of grace, of mercy, blessings, peace and joy.
Let me not miss another day in seeing what your gifts can do.
Giver of every perfect gift.

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: Isaiah 55:6-13 (p. 525)

Sermon Lesson: James 1:2-22 (p. 855)

Sermon: "Joy That Seeks Us Through Pain"

Rev. Jim Currie

Responding to the Word of God

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

† **Hymn of Affirmation #833:** *O Love That Will Not Let Me Go*

Offering Our Gifts to God

Offertory Music: *Tis' So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*

Wilbur Held

† **Doxology #609:** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

† **Prayer of Dedication**