

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Taking the Word of God into the World

† **Hymn of Inspiration #265:** *Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun*

† **Benediction**

† **Response #549:** *May the Love of the Lord*

† **Postlude:** *Toccata*

Swee Hong Lim

Buxtehude

In the silence of the morning
I am alive to the new days's light,
alert to the early stirrings of the wind
and the first sounds of the creatures.
In the silence of my heart
I hear the yearnings that are in me and the fears,
the hopes that rise from within
and the doubts that trouble my soul.
In the beginnings of this day, O God,
before the night's stillness is lost to the day's busyness,
open to me the treasure of my inner being
that in the midst of this day's busyness I may draw on wisdom.
Assure me again of my origins in you,
assure me again that my true depths are of you.

(from J. Philip Newell's *Sounds of the Eternal*, p. 14)

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First Presbyterian Church of Pasadena

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 13, 2015

10:30 am



Leading in Worship Today..

The Rev. Jim Currie Preaching
Ruth Askine, Liturgist
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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: *How Can I Keep From Singing*

FPC Handbells

Introit #821: *My Life Flows On*

Robert Lowery

† Call to Worship:

Leader: Wisdom cries out in the streets:

All: Listen to my word and live.

Leader: Jesus calls out to the church:

All: Take up the cross and follow me.

† **Hymn of Praise #327:** *From All That Dwell Below the Skies*

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your way. We protect what is dear to us and neglect what is dear to you. We preserve our own way of life and profit at the expense of others. Forgive us, God of grace. Show us the error of our ways, and guide us back to your path of righteousness, justice, and peace; 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.
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Anthem: *Sweet Hour of Prayer*

arr. Earlene Rentz

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, that calls me from a world of care,
And bids me at my Father's throne make all my wants and wishes known.

In seasons of distress and grief, my soul has often found relief,
and oft escaped the tempter's snare by thy return, sweet hour of prayer.

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, thy wings shall my petition bear
to Him whose truth and faithfulness engage the waiting soul to bless.

And since He bids me seek His face, believe His Word and trust His grace.

I'll cast on Him my ev'ry care, and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.

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: Acts 16:25-34 (p. 784)

Sermon Lesson: Psalm 90 (p.424)

Sermon: "The Gospel Expressed in Music"

Rev. Jim Currie

Responding to the Word of God

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

† **Hymn of Affirmation #687:** *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past.*

Offering Our Gifts to God

Offertory Music: *Dialogue*

F. Couperin

† **Doxology #609:** *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

(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.)