

†**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 #837:** *What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine*

†**Benediction**

†**Response #544:** *Bless the Lord*

Jacques Berthier

†**Postlude:** *Deo Gracias*

Gordon Young

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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First Presbyterian Church of Pasadena

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 6, 2015

10:30 am



Leading in Worship Today...

The Rev. Jim Currie Preaching
Margaret Bardin, 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: *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*

arr. Fred Bock

Introit #414: *Be Still and Know That I Am God*

John L. Bell

† Call to Worship:

Leader: For the stranger and the guest

All: the Lord prepares a table.

Leader: Every child of God is welcome

All: to share this feast of grace.

† **Hymn of Praise #49:** *The God of Abraham Praise*

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your way. You call us to seek justice, yet we abuse and ignore the poor. You call us to show mercy, yet we turn away from those in need. Forgive us, God of grace. Give us the wisdom and courage to abandon our places of privilege and to show our faith in action; 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: *God is Our Refuge*

Allen Pote

God is our refuge and strength; a present help in time of trouble.
Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea, though the waters roar and foam, we will not
fear.

Come and behold the work of the Lord, the awesome acts of God.

He is in the midst of his people, in all the earth.

He is the Word, we are his hands, He will lead us.

He is the air, we are his song,

We will celebrate his presence all the day long.

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Come and behold the work of the Lord, the awesome acts of God.

He is in the midst of his people, in all the earth.

He is the rain, we are the stones, He will cleanse us.

He is the air, we are his song,

We will celebrate his presence all the day long.

God is our refuge and strength; a present help in time of trouble.

Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea, though the waters roar and foam, we will not
fear.

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: Matthew 16:13-20, 24-26 (p. 694)

Sermon Lesson: Psalm 16 (p. 388)

Sermon: "ALL IN"

Rev. Jim Currie

Responding to the Word of God

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

† **Hymn of Affirmation #810:** *When in the Night I Meditate*

Offering Our Gifts to God

Offertory Music: *Ould 124th*

Healey Willan