

Offering Our Gifts to God

Offertory Music: *Now My Tongue the Mystery Revealing*

†**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 #547:** *Go, My Children, with My Blessing*

†**Benediction**

†**Response #492:** *You Belong to Christ*

Robert A. Hobby

†**Postlude:** *A Mighty Fortress is Our God*

Samuel Scheidt

****The dove on today's bulletin forms the top of the Presbyterian cross. The figure of a dove is one of the oldest symbols in the history of Christianity, representing the presence of God as the Holy Spirit and peace and purity. This morning, we celebrate the baptism of Jesus. We remember that scripture tells us that "the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove."*

As we worship God and ordain and install our new church officers, may we each listen for God's call to to service, love and reconciliation within these walls and in the world beyond.

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First Presbyterian Church of Pasadena

Baptism of the Lord

January 10, 2016

10:30 am

O gracious and holy God, give us diligence to seek you,
wisdom to perceive you, and patience to wait for you.

Grant us, O God, a mind to meditate on you;
eyes to behold you; ears to listen for your word;
a heart to love you; and a life to proclaim you;
through the power of the Spirit
of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Attributed to Benedict of Nursia (c. 480-547)



****Description of the dove symbol is located on the back of your bulletin.*

Leading in Worship Today...

The Rev. Jim Currie Preaching
Jo Ann Currie, Liturgist
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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: *Arise, My Soul Arise*

Flor Peeters

Introit #480: *Take Me to the Water*

African American Spiritual

†Call to Worship:

Leader: From the north and south, we come;

All: from the east and west God calls us.

Leader: Over the mighty waters, the Lord speaks:

All: I have called you by name; you are mine.

†Hymn of Praise #612: *We Praise You, O God*

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

God our Redeemer, we confess that our lives do not reflect your glory. You walk with us in times of trial, but we abandon others in trouble. You pour out your love for us, but we fail to share your mercy. Forgive us, God of grace. Send us your Holy Spirit to cleanse and recreate us so that we may honor your name; 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."

Ordination and Installation of Elders and Deacons

Departing Elders

Departing with appreciation from service Class of 2015
Jim Braswell, Barbara Jarrell Davis, Myoung Shin Hilson, Tom Hoffman, and Brad Stanton.

Incoming Elders Class of 2018

Ruth Askine, Nola Bray, Barbara Jarrell Davis, and Bonnie Keith

Departing Deacons

Departing with appreciation from service Class of 2015
Faye Chapman, Claudia Kreitz, Carol Parks, and Donna Wallace

Incoming Deacons Class of 2017

Cindy Berridge and Linda Ross

Incoming Deacons Class of 2018

Connie Brakebill, Elois Murray, Celia Scheer, and Bruce Walters

Anthem: *Shall We Gather at the River*

arr. John Carter

Shall we gather at the river where bright angel feet have trod;
With its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?
Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river,
Gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

Ere we reach the shining river, lay we ev'ry burden down;
Grace our spirits will deliver and provide a robe and crown.
Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river,
Gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

Deep river, my home is over Jordan,
Deep river, I want to cross over into campground.

Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease;
Soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace.
Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river,
Gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God

Proclaiming the Word of God

Prayer for Illumination #466: *Come and Fill Our Hearts*

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.
You alone, O Lord, are holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace.
Alleluia!

First Lesson: Isaiah 43:1-7 (p. 514)

Sermon Lesson: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 (p. 726)

Sermon: "The Baptized Life"

Rev. Jim Currie

Responding to the Word of God

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

†Hymn of Affirmation #688: *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart.*