

# First Presbyterian Church of Pasadena

*Fifth Sunday in Lent*

March 18, 2018

10:30 am



**Mission Statement**

*“Our mission is to live and share the good news of God’s love, grace, and mercy in Jesus Christ, to equip people for discipleship and service, and to work for social justice and peace.”*

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**Class of 2020**

Luis Alvarez  
Brett Coe  
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**Class of 2019**

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Sue Clark  
Betty Pendleton

**Class of 2020**

Faith Alvarez  
Donna Coe  
Brian Davis  
George Yeargin

**Lent**

Lent is a time to take the time  
to let the power of our faith story take hold of us,  
a time to let the events  
get up and walk around in us,  
a time to intensify  
our living unto Christ,  
a time to hover over  
the thoughts of our hearts,  
a time to place our feet in the streets of Jerusalem  
or to walk along the sea and listen to his word,  
a time to touch his robe  
and feel the healing surge through us,  
a time to ponder and a time to wonder...

Lent is a time to allow a fresh new taste of God!

Ann Weems  
Kneeling in Jerusalem

**Leading in Worship Today**

Rev. Dr. James Currie, Preaching  
Bonnie Keith, Liturgist  
Marilyn Wilkins, Music Director,  
Robin Dunn, Organist  
Barry Webb, Audio-Visual Ministry



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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:** *L' Inverno*

Vivaldi

**Introit:** #535 *Bless the Lord, O My Soul*

arr. Richard D. Wetzel

**†Call to Worship**

Leader: The Lord is merciful and gracious,

**All: slow to anger and abounding in love.**

Leader: The Lord makes a new covenant with us.

**All: We are God's people; the Lord is our God.**

**†Hymn of Praise:** #385 *All People That on Earth Do Dwell*

**Call to Confession**

**Corporate Prayer of Confession**

**God our Redeemer, we confess that we are people of ashes and dust. You write your law in our hearts, yet we pretend we do not know you. You lifted up Christ for all to see, yet we turn away from your glory. Forgive us, God of grace. Teach us to delight in your way, to seek you with all our hearts, and to trust in your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Silent Confession**

**Liturgist:** Amen

698 Take, O Take Me as I Am

Take, O take me as I am; sum-mon out what I shall

be; set your seal up-on my heart and live in me.

**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) #581**

**†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:** *All for Love*

Robert Young

Jesu, Jesu, born to die upon the Tree; Jesu, Jesu, born to set us free.  
Blessed be that Maid Marie; Born He was of her body;  
Very God ere time began, born in time the Son of Man.  
Jesu, Jesu, born to die upon the Tree; Jesu, Jesu, born to set us free.

He at Bethlehem was born, Salem gave Him crown of thorn,  
Life of want and death of scorn all for love, all for love, love of man forlorn.  
Jesu, Jesu, born to die upon the Tree; Jesu, Jesu, born to set us free.  
Jesu, Jesu, Blessed Jesu.

**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:** Jeremiah 31:31-34 (p. 561)

**Sermon Lesson:** John 12:20-26 (p. 762)

**Sermon:** *"We Wish to See Jesus"*

Rev. Jim Currie

**Responding to the Word of God**

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

**†Hymn of Affirmation:** #216 *Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

**Offering Our Gifts to God**

**Offertory Music:** *What Wondrous Love is This?*

arr. Hayes

**†Doxology:** #606 *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:** #724 *O Jesus, I Have Promised*

**†Benediction**

**Response:** #519 *You Are My Strength When I Am Weak (verse 1)*

Dennis L. Jernigan

You are my strength when I am weak; you are the treasure that I seek; you are my all in all.

When I fall down, you pick me up; when I am dry, you fill my cup; you are my all in all.

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name!

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**†Postlude:** *Hail, This Brightest Day of Days!*

J. S. Bach