

**Taking the Word of God into the World**

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

†**Hymn of Inspiration:** #708 *We Give Thee But Thine Own*

†**Benediction**

**Response:** # 700 *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me. (vs 1 & 2)* African American Spiritual

†**Postlude:** *Toccata* David Hegarty

# First Presbyterian Church of Pasadena

*Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost*

November 12, 2017

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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**God the stranger help us to welcome you  
to our land, our street, our home, our church.  
God the anonymous, help us to know you  
in lives that touch ours at a thousand points.  
God the helpless one, may we see you  
when you are cradled in a mother's arms.  
God the seed, the newborn, the beginning,  
help us to find our hope in you.**

**We thank you, pioneering God,  
for the visionaries of faith  
who see more clearly  
and work more boldly  
because they have seen you  
in love, in suffering and in new life.**

*Bernard Thorogood, United Kingdom  
from Prayers Encircling the World*

**Leading in Worship Today**

Rev. Dr. Jim Currie, Preaching  
Donna Morrison, 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:** *Trumpet Tune*

David German

**Introit:** #691 *Lord, When I Came into this Life*

American folk melody

**†Call to Worship**

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

**All: God's steadfast love endures forever.**

Leader: Choose this day whom you will serve.

**All: We will love and serve the Lord.**

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

**Call to Confession**

**Corporate Prayer of Confession**

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

**Silent Confession**

**Liturgist:** Amen

**Assurance of Pardon:**

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.

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:** *Come Harvest Time*

Lowell Alexander

Planted by God in a field without worth, we are but seeds in His eyes;  
So He nurtures with grace, and His hands work the earth  
that His fruit may be sanctified:  
Come harvest time.

Come harvest time what thanksgiving we will show  
when the Plowman brings freedom from earth here below.  
Come harvest time O what joy will be known  
when He gathers the souls of the seed He has sown!

So when doubt dries the land or the cold war winds blow,  
when the floods of indifference rise,  
O the roots that faith grew will keep us strong 'til our last sunset leave the sky  
Come harvest time.

Come harvest time what thanksgiving we will show  
when the Plowman brings freedom from earth here below.  
Come harvest time O what joy will be known  
when He gathers the souls of the seed He has sown!

**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:** Psalm 78:1-7 (p. 417)

**Sermon Lesson:** Luke 10:25-37 (p. 735)

**Sermon:** "Who Are Those Guys Anyway?"

Rev. Jim Currie

**Responding to the Word of God**

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

**†Hymn of Affirmation:** #711 *Lord of All Good*

**Offering Our Gifts to God**

**Offertory Music:** *Aria*

Flor Peters

**†Doxology:** #606 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

**†Prayer of Dedication**