

Sealing the Word of God

Sacrament of The Lord's Supper

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Breaking, Pouring, Sharing #527 *Eat This Bread*

(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.)

Prayer after Communion

Taking the Word of God into the World

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

† Hymn of Inspiration: #526 *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

(Children are invited to come forward and play instruments during the hymn.)

† Benediction

Response: #647 *Give Thanks*

Henry Smith

† Postlude: *Marche Royale*

Jean Baptiste Lully

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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First Presbyterian Church of Pasadena

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

November 19, 2017

10:30 am

We thank you, gracious God,
that we are the guests at your table.
As we have been fed by your gifts of life,
so we will share with the world
all that you give to us in love.

Dorothy McRae-McMahon, Australia



Nolan Covington 6 yrs old, "Pray Ground" art

Leading in Worship Today

Rev. Dr. James Currie, Preaching
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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: *We Gather Together*

Dutch Folk Song/arr. by Jimmy Baas

Introit: #654 *In the Lord, I'll Be Ever Thankful*

Jacques Berthier

†Call to Worship

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

All: God's steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Keep silence before the Lord God!

All: The day of the Lord is at hand.

†Hymn of Praise: #620 *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

Call to Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. Amen

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: *Canticle of Thanksgiving*

John Rutter

Benedictus Dominus: Lord, we thank you for all creation,
We worship you, we honour you, we bless your Holy Name forever.

Lord, you were there before the hills and mountains, You formed the earth, you made the sea and sky;

You are God, our strength and our salvation through a thousand ages passing by.

The earth is yours, and all that is within it, You gave it life and ev'ry gift so fair;

In the wealth and wonder of creation You were there, Lord, you were there.

Lord, we are called as servants in your kingdom to do your work, and not to seek for rest,
Share each load, and bear each other's burdens, that our lives may be forever blest.

Lord, you are there in gentleness and goodness, in kindly thoughts and quiet words of prayer;

In the love which binds us all together, You are there, Lord, you are there.

Lord, who can tell the greatness of your glory, or who can sing the fullness of your praise?
You are God immortal and eternal; Grant us strength to serve you all our days.

Through all the years your goodness never failed us: In times of joy and days of dark despair
You were there, the One who never changes; You were there, Lord, You still are there, Lord;

You will be there, Lord, you always will be there.

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 123 (p. 441)

Sermon Lesson: Matthew 22:1-14 (p. 699)

Sermon: "The Party's Already in Progress"

Rev. Jim Currie

Responding to the Word of God

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

†Hymn of Affirmation: #503 *Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation*

Offering Our Gifts to God

Offertory Music: *Kyrie*

Girolamo Frescobaldi

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

†Prayer of Dedication