

First Presbyterian Church of Pasadena

Second Sunday of Easter

April 8, 2018

10:30 am

23 August 1944: Please don't ever get anxious or worried about me, but don't forget to pray for me. I am sure of God's guiding hand, and I hope I shall never lose that certainty. You must never doubt that I am traveling my appointed road with gratitude and cheerfulness. I am thankful for all those who have crossed my path, and all I wish is never to cause them sorrow, and that they like me will always be thankful for the forgiveness and mercy of God and sure of it. Let our hearts rejoice in all of this.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer



Leading in Worship Today

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



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†**Response:** #462 *I Love to Tell the Story*

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;
it satisfies my longings as nothing else could do.

I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

William G. Fischer

†**Postlude:** *Allegro Maestoso*

Handel

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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Service for the Lord's Day
Gathering Around the Word of God

Welcome and Life of the Church

Minute for Mission

Prelude: *Thine is the Glory*

Handel

Introit: #243 *Be Not Afraid*

Jacques Berthier

†Call to Worship:

Leader: The Lord is risen! Alleluia!

All: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

Leader: How very good and pleasant it is

All: when the people of God live in unity.

†Hymn of Praise: #664 *Morning Has Broken*

Call to Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

God of all hope and joy, we confess that we continue to live in fear. We claim that we have no sin but you know the truth about us. We say that we have not seen you even when you stand among us now. Forgive us, God of grace. Breathe on us with your Spirit to set us free from doubt and sin, so that we may be at peace with you; 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.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Take, O Take Me as I Am'. It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The first system includes the lyrics 'Take, O take me as I am; sum-mon out what I shall'. The second system includes the lyrics 'be; set your seal up-on my heart and live in me.' The music is in a 4/4 time signature with a key signature of three flats.

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.
Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love."

Anthem: *Easter Angel Song*

Cindy Berry

He is not here, for He is risen.
Come see the place where Jesus lay.
Now go and share the wond'rous story:
"Christ the Lord is ris'n today."

Although He was crucified at the hands of sinful men,
Remember how He told you that He would rise again.
So why do you seek the living among the dead?
Jesus is risen as He said!

He is not here, for He is risen.
Come see the place where Jesus lay.
Now go and share the wond'rous story:
"Christ the Lord is ris'n today."

Look! The stone is rolled away.
Go and tell the world today!

He is not here, for He is risen.
Come see the place where Jesus lay.
Now go and share the wond'rous story:
"Christ the Lord is ris'n today."

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: Psalm 133 (p. 443)

Sermon Lesson: I John 1:1-2:2 (p. 862)

Sermon: "What language shall I borrow?"

Rev. Jim Currie

Responding to the Word of God

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

†Hymn of Affirmation: #445 *God, How Can We Forgive*

Offering Our Gifts to God

Offertory Music: *I Know That My Redeemer Liveth*

Handel

†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: #192 *Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining*

†Benediction