

†Response: #647 Give Thanks

Henry Smith

Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One;
give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son.
And now let the weak say, "We are strong";
let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!"
Give thanks. Give thanks.

†Postlude: Toccata in C Major (BWV 564)

J.S. Bach

Kindly remain in silence during the closing postlude, or depart very quietly.



†Please stand as you are able.

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First Presbyterian Church of Pasadena

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

October 13, 2019

10:30 am

Praying

It doesn't have to be
the blue iris, it could be
weeds in a vacant lot, or a few
small stones: just
pay attention, then patch
a few words together and don't try
to make them elaborate, this isn't
a contest but the doorway
into thanks, and a silence in which
another voice may speak.

*from Devotions
The Selected Poems of Mary Oliver*

Leading in Worship Today

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

Welcome and Life of the Church

Prelude: *How Can I Keep From Singing!* Robert Lowry arr. by Jeanne C. Warzyn
Handbell Choir

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

†Call to Worship:

Leader: We dare to worship, for we have seen:

All: We have seen the waters parted and walked upon dry land.

Leader: We dare to worship, for we have heard:

All: We have heard the mighty voice and the whisper small and still.

Leader: We dare to worship, for we have tasted:

All: We have tasted the bread of life and the sweetness of God's grace.

†Hymn of Praise: #475 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Call to Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

You have called us to serve your Word with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love. Too often our energy fades, and we waste our intelligence. We do not have the time for imagination or the patience for love. Your hope is abundant and your truth steadfast, yet we cannot trust the depth of your grace. Forgive us, God of mercy, and move us to know the goodness of your reign.

Silent Confession

Liturgist: Amen

Response: #437 *You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy!*

You are the Lord, giver of mercy!

You are the Christ, giver of mercy!

You are the Lord, giver of mercy!

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

Triennium

Chère Wharry

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: *Spirit, Sing*

Joseph M. Martin

Spirit, sing through us, Spirit, move in us, Holy Spirit, come!
Spirit, breathe in us, Spirit, live in us, Spirit, make us one.
Spirit, sing through us, Spirit, live in us, Holy Spirit, come!
Spirit, breathe in us, Spirit, live in us, Spirit, make us one.
Alleluia, come.

Spirit, waken us, Spirit, reign in us, Holy Spirit, come!
Spirit, rise in us, Spirit, shine in us, Spirit, make us one.
Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord, send Your Spirit. Send down Your gentle Dove.

Lord, send Your Spirit. Teach us Your way of love.

Fill us with glory. Fill us with holy light.

You are the Way, the Truth, the Life.

Spirit, come!

Spirit, sing through us, Spirit, move in us, Holy Spirit, come!
Spirit, breathe in us, Spirit, live in us, Spirit, make us one.
Spirit, sing through us, Spirit, live in us, Holy Spirit, come!
Spirit, breathe in us, Spirit, live in us, Spirit, make us one.
Holy Spirit, come!

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: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c (p. 263)

Sermon Lessons: Luke 17:11-19 (p. 741)

Sermon: "Saying Thanks"

Rev. Richard Kleiman

Responding to the Word of God

†Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed (p. 34)

†Hymn of Affirmation: #661 *Why Should I Feel Discouraged?*

Offering Our Gifts to God

Offertory Music: *Minuet from Water Music*

G. F. 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: #643 *Now Thank We All Our God*

†Benediction