

## Ordination and Installation of Elders and Deacons

### Departing Elders

Departing with appreciation for service Class of 2019  
*Maurice Barclay, Donna Morrison, Jim Tinney, Chère Wharry*

### Incoming Elders Class of 2022

*Cindy Berridge, James Jackson, Roy Kreitz, Jim Tinney*

### Departing Deacons

Departing with appreciation for service Class of 2019  
*Joyce Barclay, Barbara Chitwood, Sue Clark, Betty Pendleton*

### Incoming Deacons Class of 2022

*Sandy Boriack\*, Rhonda Haskins, Leah Palmer\*, Carol Parks*

*\*To be ordained*

## Taking the Word of God into the World

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

†**Hymn of Inspiration #69** *Here I Am, Lord*

### †Benediction

†**Response #547** *Go, My Children, with My Blessing (verse 1)*

“Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.  
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.  
In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.  
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.”

Welsh Melody

†**Postlude** *Promenade from Pictures at an Exhibition*

Modeste Mussorgsky

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



†*Please stand as you are able.*

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### FPC Elders

#### Class of 2020

Luis Alvarez  
Brett Coe  
Jeanie Falls  
Tom Hoffman

#### Class of 2021

Margaret Bardin  
Imelda Carrillo  
Donna Gilchrest  
Danny Slaven

#### Class of 2022

Rhonda Haskins  
Carol Parks  
Sandy Boriack  
Leah Palmer

### FPC Deacons

#### Class of 2020

Faith Alvarez  
Donna Coe  
Brian Davis  
George Yeargin

#### Class of 2021

Glenda Kucera  
Pat McPhail  
Karen Schimnowski  
Ann Wright

#### Class of 2022

James Jackson  
Roy Kreitz  
Cindy Berridge  
Jim Tinney

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# First Presbyterian Church of Pasadena

## Baptism of the Lord

January 12, 2020

10:30 am

### LATER

Later

after the angels,  
after the stable,  
after the Child,  
they went back . . .  
as we always must,  
back to the world that doesn't understand  
our talk of angels and stars  
and especially not the Child.

We go back complaining that it doesn't last.

They went back singing praises to God!

We do have to go back,

but we can still sing the alleluias!

Ann Weems from *Kneeling in Bethlehem*

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### Leading in Worship Today

Rev. Dr. Fairfax Fair, Preaching  
Margaret Bardin and Chrissi Ellis, Co-liturgists  
Marilyn Wilkins, Music Director  
Ron Ollis, Organist  
Barry Webb, Audio Visual



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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

Caring Ministry

Betsy Marlow

#### Prelude *Prelude in G Major (BWV 550)*

J. S. Bach

#### Introit #392 *Jesus, We Are Here*

Patrick Matsikenyiri

#### †Call to Worship

Leader: O God, some of us are discouraged and long for your embrace.

**All: Wash us with your love.**

Leader: Some of us are weary, weighed down by the desperation of this world.

**All: Wash us with your hope.**

Leader: Some of us are anxious and seek refuge from chaotic lives.

**All: Wash us with your peace.**

Leader: Some of us are restless, yearning for renewal or transformation.

**All: Wash us with your grace.**

Leader: However we come into your presence, pour out your Spirit upon us.

**All: Let us come to the waters of baptism. Let us worship God!**

#### †Hymn of Praise #645 *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

#### Call to Confession

#### Corporate Prayer of Confession

**God of grace, You claim us as beloved children and call us to follow you, but we do not always live out this calling. We stifle the gifts you have given us rather than using them for your glory. We sidestep opportunities to offer kindness rather than showing love to our neighbors. We pretend we can do nothing to further justice in our world and shy away from taking risks for the sake of the gospel. Forgive us, Lord. Wash us again in the waters of baptism and transform us by your grace, so that our words may further righteousness and our deeds be pleasing in your sight. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who offers us new life.**

#### 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

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

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#### Anthem *Within these Walls*

Pepper Choplin

Within these walls, we assemble. Within these walls, we gather in your name.  
As we join our hearts in a holy union, we come to find communion in your holiness again.  
Within these walls, let there be harmony; a common bond; a Spirit from above.  
And as your children let us love each other as sisters and as brothers united by your love.

We are the branches, You are the vine. We are the vessels and You are the wine.  
We are the body, You are the Head. For ev'ry hunger, You are the Bread.

Within these walls, we assemble. Within these walls, we gather in your name.  
As we join our hearts in a holy union, we come to find communion in your holiness again.  
Within these walls, let there be refuge, a place of rest when doubts and trials form.  
And let us lift each other as we gather to find your peace no matter how terrible the storm.

We are the branches, You are the vine. We are the vessels and You are the wine.  
We are the body, You are the Head. For ev'ry hunger, You are the Bread.

Within these walls, give us your vision. Within these walls, let us understand  
That beyond these walls, there are hurting people who have never felt your healing hand.  
Beyond these walls, send us forward. Beyond these walls, let your will be done.  
We are your people; You will leave us never and we shall work together until your kingdom comes.  
Your kingdom come!

Within these walls, let us listen. Within these walls, let us pray. Let us pray.

#### 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.

#### Old Testament Reading Isaiah 42:1-9 (p. 513)

#### New Testament Reading Matthew 3:13-17 (p. 682)

#### Sermon "Humble Hearts. Servant Leaders."

Rev. Dr. Fairfax Fair

#### Responding to the Word of God

#### †Scriptural Affirmation **Philippians 2:5-11**

**Let the same mind be in [us] that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death -- even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.**

#### †Hymn of Affirmation #691 *Lord, When I Came into This Life*

#### Offering Our Gifts to God

#### Offertory Music *Fuga No. 1 in C Major from Well-Tempered Clavier (BWV 846)*

J. S. Bach

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

#### †Prayer of Dedication