

First Presbyterian Church of Pasadena

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 09, 2020

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.”

Love. Grow. Serve.

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Lord, what shall I do that I
can't quiet myself?
...
To enter the language of transformation!
To learn the importance of stillness,
with one's hands folded!

When will my eyes of rejoicing turn peaceful?
When will my joyful feet grow still?
When will my heart stop its prancing
as over the summer grass?

Lord, I would run for you, loving the miles for your sake.
I would climb the highest tree
to be that much closer.

Lord, I will learn also to kneel down
into the world of the invisible,
the inscrutable and the everlasting.
Then I will move no more than the leaves of a tree
on a day of no wind,
bathed in light,
like the wanderer who has come home at last
and kneels in peace, done with all unnecessary things;
every motion; even words.

Mary Oliver
adapted from Thirst, Coming to God: First Days

Leading in Worship Today

Rev. Dr. Fairfax Fair
Chère Wharry, Liturgist
Marilyn Wilkins, Music Director
Ron Ollis, Organist
Barry Webb, Audio Visual



Service for the Lord's Day

Gathering Around the Word of God

Welcome and Life of the Church

Prelude *Prelude on Brother James's Air*

Gilbert Martin

Introit #613 *O Lord, Our Lord*

Michael W. Smith

†Call to Worship

One: We are called to follow— to walk in the way of justice and righteousness,

All: for we are children of God!

One: We are called to serve— to be Christ with and for one another

All: for we are the salt of the earth!

One: We are called to shine— to be beacons of hope and witnesses to truth,

All: for we are the light of the world!

One: Come, you who are claimed as children of God, salt of the earth and light of the world.

All: Let us worship the Lord!

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

Call to Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Lover of justice, Giver of mercy, you call us to share our bread with the hungry and to open our homes to the homeless, to care for the poor and to satisfy the needs of those who suffer. Some of your commandments are easy to follow; others require so much of us! How can we break the chains of injustice and untie the cords of oppression? When we consider the brokenness of our world, it is easy to feel overwhelmed. Forgive us when we use our sense of helplessness as an excuse. Remind us, we pray, that you are at work in and through us to bring about your reign. Free us from fear and stir our hearts toward a greater generosity, that we might be the salt and light you have called us to be.

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

One: 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 *Make Me an Instrument of Thy Peace*

Mary McDonald

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace.

Where there is hatred let me sow love, where there is injury, pardon.

Where there is doubt, faith. Wherever there's despair, hope.

Where there's darkness, light. Where there is sadness, joy.

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace.

O Lord, grant that I may not so much see to be consoled as to console,

to be understood as to understand. To be loved as to love.

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace.

For it is in giving that we receive. For it is by faith that we believe.

For in forgiving, we are forgiven. It is in dying that we are born to eternal life!

Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace.

Prayer for Illumination #288 *Spirit of the Living God*

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;

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Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 58:1-9 (p. 526)

New Testament Reading Matthew 5:13-16 (p. 683)

Sermon "Let the Light Shine"

Rev. Dr. Fairfax Fair

Responding to the Word of God

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

†**Hymn of Affirmation #633** *Praise Ye the Lord*

Offering Our Gifts to God

Offertory Music *God the Father, Be Our Stay (BuxWV 190)*

Dietrich Buxtehude

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

†Benediction

†**Response #625** *O Lord My God (verse 1)*

Stuart K. Hine

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made,

I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed:

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art!

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†**Postlude** *Rondeau from Symphonies de Fanfares*

Jean-Joseph Mouret

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



†*Please stand as you are able.*