

First Presbyterian Church of Pasadena

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 22, 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.

Lord our God, we look to you in our many needs, in the distress of our hearts, in the anguish of the whole world. We beseech you, let light come to your people everywhere on earth to bring them your help and your victory. Remember the wretched, the sick, the poor. Let your living strength come to them so that they can bear their sufferings and hold out joyfully to the end. Remember us all, O Lord our God, for we all need you. We are weak and poor and cannot go forward alone. Your Spirit must help us. May the Savior come to us, and may his grace and his power be born in our hearts. Amen

Christoph Blumhardt

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

Introit

†Call to Worship

One: Lord Christ, open our eyes

All: to see clearly the light of the world.

One: Holy Spirit, illumine our minds

All: to perceive God's glory shining among us.

One: Almighty God, prepare our hearts

All: to see, to trust, to worship the Messiah.

†Hymn of Praise #165 *The Glory of These Forty Days*

Call to Confession


Corporate Prayer of Confession

Wonder-working God, forgive us when preconceived notions cloud our vision and blind us to your activity in our lives. We watch for signs of your glory in the successful and strong, in pious acts and answered prayers, in favorable outcomes and dreams fulfilled. But you make yourself known in unexpected ways: in shepherd boys lifted to the throne and outcasts returned to community; in death-haunted valleys transformed by your presence, and ordinary pools made extraordinary by your grace, through water and mud, and a table prepared with sacrificial love. We long for a salve that relieves our stubborn focus on inconsequential questions, and for water that heals our blindness to revelations of your love. Open our eyes, illumine our minds, and prepare our hearts, to receive your amazing grace.

Silent Confession

Response *Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us (Kyrie)*

John Merbecke, 1550
Arr. Healey Willan, 1930



Lord, have mer-cy up-on us. Christ, have mer-cy up-on us. Lord, have mer-cy up-on us.

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!

†#618 *O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High (verse 5)*

All glory to our Lord and God, for love so deep, so high, so broad:
the Trinity whom we adore forever and forevermore.

†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

Prayer for Illumination #314 *Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness (refrain)*

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.

Shine through the darkness. Christ, be our light!

Shine in your church gathered today.

Old Testament Reading I Samuel 16:1-13 (p. 202)

New Testament Reading John 9:1-41 (p. 758)

Sermon "More to See Here..."

Rev. Kevin Keaton

Responding to the Word of God

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

†Hymn of Affirmation #451 *Open My Eyes, That I May See*

Offering Our Gifts to God

Offertory Music

†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 #716 *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending*

†Benediction

†Choral Response

†Postlude

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



†Please stand as you are able.