

Welcome

PINNACLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Sunday, October 4, 2020 | 10:00 am
18th Sunday after Pentecost; World Communion Sunday

Prelude

A Thankful Return
Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler, organ

P. Lehenbauer/arr. Kubiaczyk-Adler

Words of Welcome

Wes Avram

Call to Worship

Michael Hegeman

* Opening Hymn

I Come With Joy

1 I Come with joy to meet my Lord,
forgiven, loved, and free,
In awe and wonder to recall
His life laid down for me,
His life laid down for me.

2 As Christ breaks bread and
bids us share,
Each proud divisions ends,
The love that made us,
makes us one,
and strangers now are friends,
And strangers now are friends.

3 Together met, together bound,
we'll go our different ways,
And as His people in the world,
we'll live and speak His praise,
We'll live and speak His praise.

Communion Elements
The Bryce Family

* Passing of the Peace

Hillary Mackowski & Brandon Huenemann

Word to the Children

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Scripture

Nehemiah 8:1-10

Michael Hegeman

Homily

Re: Return

Wes Avram

Eucharistic Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Wes Avram & Michael Hegeman

One: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Blessing of the Elements

Wes Avram

The Communion

Thanksgiving for the Sacrament

Michael Hegeman

Offertory

Musical Offering

Come Before the Table
Chamber Choir Alpha • Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler, piano
Sonja Branch, hand drum

Karen Marrolli

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* Doxology (unison, *Old Hundredth*)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host.

Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Our Common Life

Wes Avram

The Charge

Wes Avram

Sending Music

Now Thank We All Our God
Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler, organ

S. Karg-Elert

* Please rise, lift your head, lift your arms, or lift your spirit.

Notes of Interest

The flowers are given by Chip & Marti King, with gratitude to return for worship in person!

Presentation of communion elements by the Bryce family: Alan, Anita, Grant, William, Declan, and James.

Ushers are Judy & JD Helms, Shirley & Tom McCahan, and Mary Upchurch; Head usher is Robert Armstrong.

Communion Servers are Susan Brown, Kim Bussey, Terry Coult, Rick Hess, Mary Upchurch, George Welu.

Scripture

Nehemiah 8:1-10

“When the seventh month came — the people of Israel being settled in their towns —”

1 all the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. 2 Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. 3 He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. 4 The scribe Ezra stood on a wooden platform that had been made for the purpose; and beside him stood Mattithiah, Shema, Anaiah, Uriah, Hilkiah, and Maaseiah on his right hand; and Pedaiah, Mishael, Malchijah, Hashum, Hash-baddanah, Zechariah, and Meshullam on his left hand. 5 And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. 6 Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, “Amen, Amen,” lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. 7 Also Jeshua, Bani, Sherebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodiah, Maaseiah, Kelita, Azariah, Jozabad, Hanan, Pelaiah, the Levites,[a] helped the people to understand the law, while the people remained in their places. 8 So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

9 And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, “This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep.” For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. 10 Then he said to them, “Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.”

About the Sanctuary Gallery Art Exhibit

Worship, Music, and the Arts is honored to host local artist and church member Carol Baker in our latest exhibit located in the Sanctuary Gallery. Carol began her career as an English teacher, loving Shakespeare and poetry, but she got very tired of grading research papers so she returned to school earning a BA and MA in art. Carol taught art in the Scottsdale and Mesa schools and at the Kerns Art Center in Eugene, Oregon.

When she travels, Carol is fascinated with all that is happening around her...especially people! Where is that man hurrying off to? What is that couple whispering about? The woman on the bench, she looks so sad. Carol enjoys trying to capture the mood and gestures of each person she paints in an attempt to portray their unique character.

An outdoor meet the artist will be held later this fall where you can learn more about Carol and where she gains her creative spark! The exhibit will be available to view through December.

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