

Prelude	Nun komm der Heiden Heiland (Savior of Nations, Come) BWV 659 Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler, organ		J.S. Bach	
Words of Welcome			Wes Avram	
Call to Worship	While We Are Waiting, Come Melissa Trafficante, solo • Small Group		Don Cason	
While we are waiting, come; While we are waiting, come. Jesus, our Lord, Emmanuel, While we are waiting, come.				
* Opening Hymn	Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus			
	1 Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set thy people free; from our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in thee.	2 Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a king, born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring.		
	Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art; dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.	By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone; by thine all-sufficient merit raise us to thy glorious throne.		

Lighting the Candle of HOPE

The Hoehner Family

As winter days dim and bow to early darkness, you, God of light, set watch in the night sky and beckon the wise to follow.

When hope hangs low in the human heart, you, loving creator, kindle compassion, breathing life into the early embers of change and empathy.

We light a candle for hope, as Advent dawns, God of all hope, shine your light on the story of the saints who journeyed before us. May the seeds they planted in the world – peace, joy, love – take hold in our hearts and stretch towards the light.

Choral Response

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel, that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

Children's Message

Hillary Mackowski & Brandon Huenemann

"Virtual Church School" is available to preschool-5th grade students each Sunday 10:15 - 11:00 am via Zoom. Email Director of Children's Ministry for login instructions; hmackowski@pinnaclepres.org

Choral Response (sung by the choir as children leave) 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.

Scripture Reading	Ezekial 36:26-28; 1 John 3:1-3	Wes Avram

Sermon

Three on Waiting pt 1: What To Do When You Can't Plan?

Michael Hegeman

Wes Avram

Common Prayer, Lord's Prayer (unison)

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.

For those joining us online, you may make your donation by texting pinnaclepres to 77977 or online at pinnaclepres.org/give

Offertory

Musical OfferingLo, How a Rose E'er Bloomingarr. Shawn KirchnerSmall Group, David Allen, director • Dan Puccio, alto saxophone • Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler, piano

Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming	Isaiah 'twas foretold it,	This Flow'r, whose fragrance tender
From tender stem hath sprung!	The Rose I have in mind;	With sweetness fills the air,
Of Jesse's lineage coming,	With Mary we behold it,	Dispels with glorious splendor
As men of old have sung.	The virgin mother kind.	The darkness everywhere.
It came, a flow'ret bright,	To show God's love aright,	True man, yet very God,
Amid the cold of winter,	She bore to men a Savior,	From sin and death He saves us,
When half spent was the night.	When half spent was the night.	And lightens every load.

* Choral Response

All praise to You, eternal Son, Whose advent has our freedom won, Whom with Creator we adore, And Holy Spirit evermore.

Our Common Life

The Charge

Sending Music

Prelude and Fugue in e-minor Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler, organ Wes Avram

Wes Avram

Nicolaus Bruhns

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

Scripture

Ezekial 36:26-28

26 A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. 27 I will put my spirit within you, and make you follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances. 28 Then you shall live in the land that I gave to your ancestors; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

1 John 3:1-3

¹ See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ² Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he[a] is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³ And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following members & friends:

- For Kevin, with valley fever;
- For the family of my niece, Wendy, who died on 11/23.

The Sympathy of the Congregation is extended to the family of Ryp Rypkema as they mourn his loss.

Contact Lisa Boswell at prayer@pinnaclepres.org or call 480.585.9448 to add your request to the Pinnacle prayer list.





Members and friends of Pinnacle are invited to order poinsettias, in memory of and/or in celebration of a loved one, that will adorn our Sanctuary and Chapel for Christmas. Please complete this form and place it in the offering plate or return to the church office by **noon on Monday, December 14, 2020**.

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In Memory of / In Celebration of (Please Circle One)

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