



PINNACLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, December 27, 2020 | 10:00 am

1st Sunday of Christmas

Prelude

Prelude on Polish Carol “*Hej, w dzień Narodzenia*” (*On the Christmas Day*)

Ilona Kubiacyk-Adler, organ

arr. Gustaw Roguski

Words of Welcome

Wes Avram

Call to Worship

Go, Tell it on the Mountain

Small Group

trad.

Go, tell it on the mountain over the hills and everywhere;

Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is Born!

*** Opening Hymn**

The Snow Lay On the Ground

1 The snow lay on the ground; the stars shone bright, when Christ our Lord was born on Christmas night.

Venite adoremus Dominum.

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2 ‘Twas gentle Mary maid, so young and strong, who welcomed here the Christ-child with a song.

She laid him in a stall at

Bethlehem;

the ass and oxen shared the roof with them.

Venite adoremus Dominum.

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3 And thus that manger poor became a throne; for he whom Mary bore was God the Son.

O come, then, let us join the heavenly host

to praise the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Venite adoremus Dominum.

Venite adoremus Dominum.

Children’s Message

Michael Hegeman

Choral Response

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.

Call to Confession

Michael Hegeman

Common Confession and Assurance (unison)

Michael Hegeman

Almighty God, you wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature. In your mercy, let us share the divine life of Jesus Christ who came to share our humanity, bearing our sin, forgiving our transgressions, restoring our hope for tomorrow. In the name of the one who now lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, forgive us. Now hear our silent prayers of confession. (silence)

* Congregational Response

Small Group

*Venite adoremus Dominum.
Venite adoremus Dominum.*

Scripture Reading

Luke 2:25-40

Katie Rosenson

Sermon

It Takes a Village

Katie Rosenson

Common Prayer, Lord's Prayer (unison)

Wes Avram

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 Offering

Nunc Dimittis

arr. Chris Artley

Small Group, David Allen, director • Tommy Strawser, soloist
Ilona Kubiacyk-Adler, organ

*Lord now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace; according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people.
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles and be the glory of thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen.*

* Doxology (*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

Katie Rosenson

Sending Music

"Joy to the World!" with *Prelude in C*
Ilona Kubiacyk-Adler, organ

Handel / Bach, arr. M. Limbaugh

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

Today's Prayer of Confession is adapted from the Book of Common Worship (2018).

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Scripture

Luke 2:25-40

25 Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. 26 It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. 27 Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, 28 Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

29 "Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word;
30 for my eyes have seen your salvation,
31 which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,
32 a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."

33 And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. 34 Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed 35 so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too."

36 There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, 37 then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. 38 At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

The Return to Nazareth

39 When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. 40 The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following members & friends:

- *For Julia in Colorado, diagnosed with ovarian cancer;*
- *For Aric;*
- *For Larry V., diagnosed with COVID;*
- *For our men and women in the military.*

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

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