PINNACLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Sunday, January 3, 2021 | 10:00 am 2nd Sunday of Christmas

Prelude

God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen Wildcat Jazz Band • Shea Marshall, piano arr. Rob Wright

Words of Welcome

Michael Hegeman

Call to Worship

Michael Hegeman

* Opening Hymn

Carol Medley

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

1 Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn king. Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!" Joyful all ye nations, rise; join the triumph of the skies; with the angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!" Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn king!" 2 Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the sun of righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise us from the earth,
born to give us second birth.
Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn king!"

Angels We Have Heard on High

1 Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o'er the plains, and the mountains in reply echoing their joyous strains. Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo! 2 Come to Bethlehem and see him whose birth the angels sing; come, adore on bended knee Christ, the Lord, the newborn King. Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

O Little Town of Bethlehem

 1 O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie!
 Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by.
 Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting light;
 the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight. 2 O holy child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray;
 cast out our sin and enter in; be born in us today.
 We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;
 O come to us; abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel!

Children's Message Brandon Huenemann

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

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Holy God, from whom the Light of the World comes forth, we confess before you that we spend too much time in the shadows of fear and doubt; we act out of selfishness and short-sightedness. Forgive us and guide us toward the Dawn of your Salvation, so that we may truly love the neighbors we have in you. Now hear our silent prayers of confession. (silence)

* Congregational Response

Go, Tell It on the Mountain
Small Group • Wildcat Jazz Band • Shea Marshall, piano

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere; go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is Lord!

down in a lowly manger the humble Christ was born, and God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn. Refrain

* Passing of the Peace Michael Hegeman

Scripture Reading Ephesians 3:1-12 Michael Hegeman

SermonIn Boldness and Confidence Through Faith
Joan Fudala • Spike Paul • Aaron Slegers

Common Prayer, Lord's Prayer (unison)

Katie Rosenson

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.

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Offertory

Musical Offering What Child is This? arr. Rob Wright

Small Group • Wildcat Jazz Band • Shea Marshall, piano

* 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 Michael Hegeman

The Charge Michael Hegeman

Sending Music I Found a New Baby arr. Rob Wright

Wildcat Jazz Band • Shea Marshall, piano

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

Scripture

Ephesians 3:1-12

Paul's Ministry to the Gentiles

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles — 2 for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, 3 and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, 4 a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. 5 In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: 6 that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

7 Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. 8 Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, 9 and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; 10 so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. 11 This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, 12 in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

In Boldness & Confidence through Faith

Joan Fudala is a Scottsdale community historian and author of eight books. She is a frequent speaker at community events, a columnist for area publications, and an historic consultant. Previously, Joan spent 26 years as a public relations executive with the Scottsdale Chamber of Commerce/Convention & Visitors Bureau, two airlines, and as a U.S. Air Force public affairs officer. Joan serves on Scottsdale's Museum of the West Board of Trustees and the Scottsdale Historical Society Advisory Board. She received the 2020 Governor's Heritage Preservation Honor Award. A lifelong Presbyterian, she has been a member of Pinnacle Presbyterian since 2012, and has served six years as a Pinnacle Foundation trustee, and co-authored the church's 25th anniversary booklet.

Gordon "Spike" Paul was raised in Albuquerque, attended college at UCLA and medical school at the Medical College of Wisconsin, where he met his wife, Elaine. He trained in Pediatrics in California and Child Neurology in Seattle. He was a pediatrician in the US Army Medical Corps in (West) Germany for two years and practiced neurology in Texas, Wisconsin, and Illinois. He was owner of a small freight forwarding company in Chicago and was licensed as a U.S. Customs Broker. Elaine and he are parents of two children and grandparents of four. They moved to Scottsdale in 2015. Spike is a lifelong Presbyterian and has been a member of congregations in Albuquerque, Fort Worth, Dallas, Lake Forest, Illinois, and, since 2016, Pinnacle.

Aaron Slegers is the son of Robert & Christie Slegers. He is an American professional baseball pitcher for the Tampa Bay Rays of Major League Baseball (MLB). He played college baseball at Indiana University Bloomington for the Indiana Hoosiers. He has previously played in MLB for the Minnesota Twins Aaron attended Notre Dame Preparatory High School in Scottsdale, Arizona. He pitched for the school's baseball team, spending most of his junior year on the junior varsity team. He enrolled at Indiana University Bloomington, where he made the Indiana Hoosiers baseball team as a walk-on. In 2013, his junior year, he helped Indiana win the Big Ten Conference's regular-season championship and the conference tournament. He was named the Big Ten Conference Baseball Pitcher of the Year after going 9-2 with a 2.04 ERA.

About the Music

We are delighted to welcome back Tucson-based Wildcat Jazz Band to Pinnacle's worship. With their unique blend of impeccable musicianship and traditional music, Wildcat Jazz will have your toes tapping!

The Wildcat Jazz Band is comprised of six members. Rob Wright has been performing professionally for 40 years and plays banjo, ukulele, and guitar. Ray Templin's career has covered just about all aspects of the entertainment industry. Ray plays piano and percussion. Rob Boone has been a professional musician since age 16. Rob plays trombone, piano, and is a composer. Evan Dain is bassist extraordinaire. Rick Peron spent 20 years playing trumpet with the Falconaires Jazz Ensemble of the USAF. Marco Rosano is an accomplished clarinet and saxophone player as well as a versatile multi-instrumentalist, arranger, and composer.

Shea Marshall

Originally from McMurray, PA (outside of Pittsburgh), Shea has been playing music since age 5, and has been performing since he was 12. His primary instruments are saxophone and keyboards, but he has also been known to perform on pretty much anything - mandolin, violin, harmonica, clarinet, flute, bass clarinet, bass, etc. He has come to his style through the study of jazz music and through extensive work on the most diverse and disparate of stages, and is well known for his uniquely universal approach to sound. Shea is a true working musician.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following members & friends:

- For Larry M., whose cancer is beyond any further medical treatment;
- For Allan R., to heal from triple bypass surgery;
- For the family of Pauline, as they mourn her loss;
- 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.