

Welcome

PINNACLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, May 2, 2021 | 10:00 am
5th Sunday of Easter / Youth Sunday

Prelude

We Are Marching (Siyahamba)
Youth Steel Drums Band, Sonja Branch, director

trad.

Words of Welcome

Wes Avram

Call to Worship

Kyleigh Green

Leader: Jesus said: You are the light of the world.
All: **Let our light shine, giving glory to God.**
Leader: Do all things for the sake of the gospel,
All: **So that we may share in the blessings in God.**
Leader: The Lord called out: Whom shall I send?
All: **I answered: Here I am, send me.**

* Opening Hymn

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

No. 288

*1 I sing the mighty power of God
that made the mountains rise,
that spread the flowing seas abroad
and built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained
the sun to rule the day.
The moon shines full at God's
command, and all the stars obey.*

*2 I sing the goodness of the Lord
who filled the earth with food.
God formed the creatures through
the Word, and then pronounced
them good.
Lord, how thy wonders are
displayed, where'er I turn my eye,
if I survey the ground I tread,
or gaze upon the sky!*

*3 There's not a plant or flower below
but makes thy glories known.
And clouds arise, and tempests blow,
by order from thy throne,
while all that borrows life from thee
is ever in thy care,
and everywhere that we can be,
thou, God, art present there.*

Children's Message

Eliza Panches & Raina Steffan

*"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

**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

Daniel Mulumba

Leader: The grace of God overflows for us through Christ Jesus, who came into the world to save sinners. The proof of God's amazing love is this: while we were sinners, Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God with confidence. God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Common Confession and Assurance (unison)

Daniel Mulumba

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and soul and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Now hear our private prayers of confession. (Silence.)

* Congregational Response

Holy, Holy, Holy

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

* Passing of the Peace

Lily Rogers

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.
All: And also with you.

Our Common Life

Joe Sidoti

Scripture Reading

Matthew 5:13-16

Danika Bussey

Student Testimonies

Evan Punches, Christopher Matura, and Caroline Johnson

This Little Light of Mine
Caroline Johnson

arr. Howard Helvey

Anthem

This is Me

arr. Audrey Snyder

Sonoran Youth Choir, David Allen, director • Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler, piano
Kyleigh Green & Caroline Johnson, soloists

*I am not a stranger to the dark
Hide away, they say
'Cause we don't want your broken parts
I've learned to be ashamed of all my scars
Run away, they say
No one'll love you as you are*

*But I won't let them break me down to dust
I know that there's a place for us
For we are glorious*

*When the sharpest words wanna cut me down
I'm gonna send a flood, gonna drown 'em out
I am brave, I am bruised*

*I am who I'm meant to be, this is me
Look out 'cause here I come
And I'm marching on to the beat I drum
I'm not scared to be seen
I make no apologies, this is me.*

*Another round of bullets hits my skin
Well, fire away 'cause today, I won't let the shame sink in
We are bursting through the barricades and
Reaching for the sun (we are warriors)
Yeah, that's what we've become (yeah, that's what we've become)*

*I won't let them break me down to dust
I know that there's a place for us
For we are glorious*

*When the sharpest words wanna cut me down
I'm gonna send a flood, gonna drown 'em out
I am brave, I am bruised
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Common Prayer, Lord's Prayer (unison)

Trey Yarwood

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.

Invitation to the Offering

Lauren Harper

Leader: Let us return to God the offerings of our life and the gifts of the earth.

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

Offertory

Musical Offering

By His Hands

Jason W. Krug

Pinnacle Pealers & Youth Handbell Ensembles, David Allen, director

* Doxology (*Old Hundredth*, no. 592)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host.

Praise Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Recognition of Graduating High School Seniors

Brandon Huenemann

Recognition of Confirmation Class of 2021

Michael Hegeman

***Closing Hymn**

Here I Am, Lord

No. 525

1 I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

2 I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?
(Refrain)

3 I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?
(Refrain)

Refrain:

Here I am, Lord.

Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me.

I will hold your people in my heart.

Benediction

Wes Avram

Leader: You are the salt of the earth.

All: **Sprinkle us across our town, God, across our world to bring the flavor of your Kingdom wherever we go.**

Leader: You are the light of the world.

All: **Uncover the radiance that is within us, God, to shine the truth of your love wherever we go.**

Leader: Let your light shine before others.

All: **That everyone we meet may see our lives of worship and glorify you, Oh God. Amen.**

Sending Music

Prelude and Fugue in B-flat major BWV560
Benjamin Sidoti, organ

J.S. Bach

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

Names of Confirmands and Mentors

Andrew Bush	Adam Rogers
Brooke Davis	Becky Comstock
Elsa Davis	Katherine Rosenfeld
Laurel Davis	Merry Cole Bender
Brooke Harper	Jacque Olmert
Marshall Lasater	Gary Glava
Madelyne Morander	Kelly McGinn
Matthew Sidoti	Jason Bush
Katelyn Wise	Kelly McGinn
Nathan Wise	Nathan Jones

About the Music

By His Hands, written in part in remembrance of the nine congregants murdered at Charleston's Emanuel AME Church in 2015, this deeply moving piece begins with "His Eye Is on the Sparrow" in a minor mode followed by original material that portrays pain and sorrow through dissonance. The arrangement concludes with "He Leadeth Me," reflecting God's comfort and strength in our lives.

This is Me, with lyrics that resonate with people around the globe, this powerful song of self-acceptance and determination from the movie "The Greatest Showman" is a reminder that we are all made in the image of God and our uniqueness is to be celebrated.

Scripture

Matthew 5:13-16

Salt and Light

13 "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

14 "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. 15 No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

Notes of Interest

Ushers are Mark Boutchia, Suzanne Moon, Adam Rogers, Mark Steel, and Eugene Wade; Head Usher is Robert Slegers.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following members & friends:

- *For Day and all his family and friends at his passing;*
- *For Lillian M., diagnosed with uterine cancer;*
- *For Lisa, in the ICU 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.

Congratulations!

Pinnacle's 2021 Graduating Seniors

As they reflect on their high school career and look forward to their future, our Pinnacle seniors were each asked the following five questions:

1. From which high school are you graduating?
2. What are your post-graduation plans?
3. What are you most looking forward to?
4. What do you wish someone had told you upon entering high school?
5. Where have you encountered God in the last four years?



AVA BIANCO

1. I am graduating from Pinnacle High School.
2. I will be attending Arizona State University and Barrett, The Honors College this fall. My current major is Business Law (but it keeps changing) with hopes of going to law school in the future.
3. I am looking forward to a new adventure and creating a life for myself in Tempe.
4. High school is supposed to be fun. Yes, you're working hard, but remember to enjoy it and the memories that come with it.
5. I saw God in my best friend and future roommate at ASU. She entered back into my life at the perfect time, and I couldn't have asked for a better person to share the next four years with.



ELSA DAVIS

1. Notre Dame Prep High School
2. Purdue University to study nursing within Honors College on the pre-med track with a neuroscience minor.
3. Getting to relax and spend time with friends and family.
4. Wish I would have been told not to worry so much and to trust that God has a plan.
5. I saw God in my life when I was given multiple opportunities to take mission trips and retreats to deepen my faith.



CAROLINE JOHNSON

1. Desert Mountain High School
2. Attending Northern Arizona University Honors College.
3. I am looking forward to becoming an actual adult and to start learning about things I actually enjoy.
4. I wish someone had told me that it is ok to not be sure of who you are. It takes time to discover who you are supposed to be and the person God has set aside for you. If it takes two years for you to find your crowd and begin to feel comfortable in yourself, it's not the end of the world, I turned out fine.
5. I have seen God in this church. Here I have learned how to be myself and who God intended me to be. God gave me amazing friends who have helped me to survive through the horrors that is high school. I have never felt more loved and wanted than I do at this church and in my wonderful youth group.



CHRISTOPHER MATURA

1. Notre Dame Prep
2. College
3. Making new friends in college, and spending more time with current friends over the summer.
4. It goes by fast.
5. Everyday at school (during prayer) and on the Bahamas trip with Pinnacle.



DANIEL MULUMBA

1. Chaparral High School
2. Studying Physiology at University of Arizona.
3. Looking forward to what college has in store for me and life on a campus.
4. I wish someone would have told me not to care what others think because high school is where you have the most fun more than anywhere.
5. I have seen God the most in the classroom especially in classes I've struggled in over the years and helping me find the motivation to study harder and do better.



EVAN PUNCHES

1. Rancho Solano Preparatory
2. I plan to attend the University of Arizona in the fall and study personal finance and accounting.
3. I look forward to the next phase of my life. I am blessed with the chance to do anything I want with my life, and I am excited for that opportunity.
4. Enjoy the little things like hanging out with friends and playing sports. Those are the memories you will look back on in the future.
5. God was visible all throughout the last four years of my life. I felt his presence most on my mission trips to Belize, Navajo Nation, Houston, and The Bahamas. I saw his love in the people who lived in these places. His presence was with my friends as we performed his work on our mission trips.



NATHAN WISE

1. Brophy College Preparatory
2. I will either be attending the Barrett Honors College at Arizona State University, the University of San Diego, or Vanderbilt University.
3. I'm looking forward to the independence and the challenges I will have to face on my own.
4. I wish someone would have told me to stay in the moment. The memories I created the past four years will stick with me for the rest of my life, but I wish I appreciated my childhood more the last few years.
5. I saw God in my life the most when I was struggling. God was working through my family, friends, and teachers—people in my life who supported me through the ups and downs.