

Prelude

Prelude on Faith of Our Fathers Marjorie Hinton, guest organist

arr. J. Barr/M. Burkhardt

Words of Welcome Wes Avram

Call to Worship Wes Avram

* Opening Hymn

Come Sing to God

No. 181

1 Come sing to God, O living saints; sing praises to God's name.
God's anger is not permanent;
God's love will never wane.
Though tears may tarry for the night with sighs of deepest pain, yet joy comes with the morning sun, a peace that is not vain.

2 In my success I felt secure; how good you've been to me. I said that this is my own work, ascribing all to me. But when you turned aside your face, my life was filled with fears. I begged for help; to you I cried with loud and bitter tears.

3 What good is gained by my disgrace, what profit in defeat?
My grave cannot confess your name, nor praise for you repeat.
Now hear, O Lord, my plaintive cry; be merciful to me.
Accept my longing heart's request and from death set me free.

4 You change my grief to joy-filled dance; my sorrows you destroy.
In faithfulness you hear my cry and fill my life with joy.
And so to you my heart shall sing; my voice your goodness raise.
You are my God, forevermore.
My life shall sing your praise.

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.

O Christ, Surround Me Small Group

Christ in the eyes of all who see me, Christ in the ears that hear my voice, Christ in the hearts of all who know me: O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.

Common Confession and Assurance (unison)

Terilyn Lawson

Lord, hear. Lord, forgive. Lord, transform. Reconcile our hearts to what is good, our wills to what is just, our minds to what is true. We cannot do this on our own. Now hear our silent prayers of confession. (Silence.)

* Congregational Response

Holy, Holy, Holy

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

* Passing of the Peace

Terilyn Lawson

Sacrament of Baptism

* Baptism Hymn

Wes Avram Terry Coult, Assisting Elder Child of Laura & Alex Horrell

Lucy Edith

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

No. 498, vs. 1, 4

Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit's sign, with this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine.

Child of God, your loving parent, learn to listen for God's call. Grow to laugh and sing and worship, trust and love God more than all.

Our Common Life Wes Avram

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Offertory

Musical Offering

Hymn to the Trinity

arr. Michael Burkhardt

Small Group, David Allen, director • Marjorie Hinton, guest organist

Father, to you our praise we bring; for love, for care, glad voices sing;
We laud with joy, the earth shall ring: Alleluia!
O Christ, to you all glory be, from sin your death has set us free
To live with you eternally. Alleluia!
Spirit of God, you give us pow'r, Your blessings now upon us show'r,
Our faith you bring into full flow'r. Alleluia!
Glory to God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Three in One.
Forevermore, God's praise be sung. Alleluia! Amen.

* Doxology (Old Hundredth, no. 592)

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.

Scripture Reading Luke 18:1-8 Wes Avram

Sermon Two Parables pt 1: Despite Ignorance Wes Avram

Common Prayer, Lord's Prayer (unison)

Terilyn Lawson

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.

*Closing Hymn

God is Our Refuge and Our Strength

No. 191

1 God is our refuge and our strength, our ever-present aid, and therefore, though the earth be moved, we will not be afraid;

3 Where God abides a river flows; that city will rejoice.

But nations fear and kingdoms shake before God's thundering voice.

2 Though hills amid the seas be cast, though foaming waters roar, yea, though the mighty billows shake the mountains on the shore.

4 Since God is in the midst of it, the city walls shall stand, secure and safe with God's sure help, when trouble is at hand.

The Charge Wes Avram

Sending Music

Praise the Lord with the Drums & Cymbals Marjorie Hinton, guest organist

S. Karg-Elert

^{*} Please rise, lift your head, lift your arms, or lift your spirit.



Luke 18:1-8

The Parable of the Widow and the Unjust Judge

18 Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. 2 He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. 3 In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' 4 For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, 5 yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' "6 And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. 7 And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? 8 I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

Motes of Interest

Ushers are Jan Larson, Kim & David Schaller, and Kate & David Van Driel; Head Usher is Bill Belt. **The Flowers** are given by Mary & Chuck Goldthwaite in celebration of their 56th wedding anniversary. **The Sympathy of the Congregation** is extended to the Gustave Cadet family and friends as they mourn his loss.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following members & friends:

- For Donna, with terminal cancer;
- For Betty's pain to ease as she learns to live with scoliosis;
- 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.