

# Welcome

**PINNACLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Sunday, August 14, 2022 | 10:00 am  
10th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

*Praeludium in D*  
Lorraine Brugh, organ

Dietrich Buxtehude

Lighting of the Candles

Ciana Mattingly

Words of Welcome

Wes Avram

Call to Worship

Wes Avram

\*Opening Hymn

*Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

No. 645

**1 Sing praise to God who reigns above,  
the God of all creation,  
the God of power, the God of love,  
the God of our salvation.  
With healing balm my soul is filled,  
and every faithless murmur stilled:  
to God all praise and glory!**

**2 What God's almighty power has made  
God's gracious mercy keepeth;  
by morning glow or evening shade  
God's watchful eye ne'er sleepeth.  
Within the kingdom of God's might,  
lo! all is just and all is right:  
to God all praise and glory!**

**3 The Lord is never far away,  
but, through all grief distressing,  
an ever-present help and stay,  
our peace and joy and blessing,  
as with a mother's tender hand  
God gently leads the chosen band:  
to God all praise and glory!**

**4 Thus all my toilsome way along  
I sing aloud thy praises,  
that all may hear the grateful song  
my voice unwearied raises.  
Be joyful in the Lord, my heart;  
both soul and body, take your part:  
to God all praise and glory!**

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Prayer of Adoration		Reagan Everton
Call to Confession		Erik Khoobyarian
Common Confession and Assurance (unison)		Erik Khoobyarian
	O loving God, to turn away from you is to fall, to turn toward you is to rise, and to stand before you is to abide forever. Grant us, dear God, in all our duties your help; in all our uncertainties your guidance; in all our dangers your protection; and in all our sorrows your peace; forgive us, renew us, direct us, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Now hear our silent prayers of confession. (silence)	
*Congregational Response	<i>Celtic Alleluia</i> Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.	No. 587
*Passing of the Peace		Erik Khoobyarian
Children's Message	Children & Youth leave for Church School	Hillary Mackowski
Congregational Response (unison)		No. 547
	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.	
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Offertory	<i>Offertory</i>	John Ness Beck
Musical Offering	Summer Choir, Lorraine Brugh, director • Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler, piano	
	<p><i>With what shall I come before the Lord, And bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before God with burnt offerings, Shall I come before God with yearling calves?</i></p> <p><i>Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, With ten thousand rivers of oil? Shall I give God my firstborn for my transgressions, The fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?</i></p> <p><i>God has shown you, O people; God has shown you what is good.</i></p> <p><i>And what does the Lord require of you But to do justice and to love kindness, And to walk humbly with your God?</i></p>	
*Doxology (Old Hundredth)		No. 606
	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

Isaiah 40

Wes Avram

Sermon

*Have You Not Heard?*

Wes Avram

\*Hymn in Response

*On Eagle's Wings*

No. 43

**1 You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,  
who abide in his shadow for life,  
say to the Lord, "My refuge,  
my rock in whom I trust!"**

Refrain:

**And he will raise you up on eagles' wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of his hand.**

**2 The snare of the fowler will never capture you,  
and famine will bring you no fear:  
under his wings, your refuge,  
his faithfulness your shield.**

(Refrain)

**3 You need not fear the terror of the night,  
nor the arrow that flies by day;  
though thousands fall about you,  
near you it shall not come.**

(Refrain)

**4 For to his angels he's given a command  
to guard you in all of your ways;  
upon their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you dash your foot against a stone.**

Common Prayer, Lord's Prayer (unison)

Erik Khoobyarian

**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.**

or

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

1 O Word of God incarnate,  
O Wisdom from on high,  
O Truth unchanged, unchanging,  
O Light of our dark sky:  
we praise you for the radiance  
that from the hallowed page,  
a lantern to our footsteps,  
shines on from age to age.

2 The church from you, dear Savior,  
received this gift divine;  
and still that light is lifted  
on all the earth to shine.  
It is the chart and compass  
that, all life's voyage through,  
amid the rocks and quicksands  
still guides, O Christ, to you.

3 O make your church, dear Savior,  
a lamp of purest gold  
to bear before the nations  
your true light, as of old;  
O teach your wandering pilgrims  
by this our path to trace,  
till, clouds and storms thus ended,  
we see you face to face.

**\*Pastoral Word**

Wes Avram

**\*Charge & Benediction**

Wes Avram

**Sending Music**

*The Archbishop's Fanfare*  
Lorraine Brugh, organ

Francis Jackson  
(1917-2022)

\* Please rise.

Today's Common Confession comes from St. Augustine.

# Scripture

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## Isaiah 40

### God's People Are Comforted

40 Comfort, O comfort my people,  
says your God.

2 Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,  
and cry to her  
that she has served her term,  
that her penalty is paid,  
that she has received from the Lord's hand  
double for all her sins.

3 A voice cries out:  
"In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord;  
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

4 Every valley shall be lifted up,  
and every mountain and hill be made low;  
the uneven ground shall become level,  
and the rough places a plain.

5 Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed,  
and all flesh shall see it together,  
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken."

6 A voice says, "Cry out!"  
And I said, "What shall I cry?"  
All flesh is grass;  
their constancy is like the flower of the field.

7 The grass withers; the flower fades,  
[[when the breath of the Lord blows upon it;  
surely the people are grass.

8 The grass withers; the flower fades,]]  
but the word of our God will stand forever.

9 Get you up to a high mountain,  
O Zion, herald of good news;  
lift up your voice with strength,  
O Jerusalem, herald of good news;  
lift it up, do not fear;  
say to the cities of Judah,  
"Here is your God!"

10 See, the Lord God comes with might,  
and his arm rules for him;  
his reward is with him  
and his recompense before him.

11 He will feed his flock like a shepherd;  
he will gather the lambs in his arms  
and carry them in his bosom  
and gently lead the mother sheep.

12 Who has measured the waters of the sea in the hollow  
of his hand  
and marked off the heavens with a span,  
enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure  
and weighed the mountains in scales  
and the hills in a balance?

13 Who has directed the spirit of the Lord  
or as his counselor has instructed him?

14 Whom did he consult for his enlightenment,  
and who taught him the path of justice?  
[[Who taught him knowledge  
and showed him the way of understanding?

15 Even the nations are like a drop from a bucket  
and are accounted as dust on the scales;  
see, he takes up the isles like fine dust.

16 Lebanon would not provide fuel enough,  
nor are its animals enough for a burnt offering.]]

17 All the nations are as nothing before him;  
they are accounted by him as less than nothing and  
emptiness.

18 To whom, then, will you liken God,  
or what likeness compare with him?

19 An idol? A workman casts it,  
and a goldsmith overlays it with gold  
and casts for it silver chains.

20 As a gift one chooses mulberry wood  
—wood that will not rot—  
then seeks out a skilled artisan  
to set up an image that will not topple.

21 Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
Has it not been told you from the beginning?  
Have you not understood from the foundations of the  
earth?

22 It is he who sits above the circle of the earth,  
and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers,  
who stretches out the heavens like a curtain  
and spreads them like a tent to live in,

23 who brings princes to naught  
and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing.

24 Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown,  
scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth,  
when he blows upon them, and they wither,  
and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

25 To whom, then, will you compare me,  
or who is my equal? says the Holy One.

26 Lift up your eyes on high and see:  
Who created these?  
He who brings out their host and numbers them,  
calling them all by name;  
because he is great in strength,  
mighty in power,  
not one is missing.

27 Why do you say, O Jacob,  
and assert, O Israel,  
“My way is hidden from the Lord,  
and my right is disregarded by my God”?

28 Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
The Lord is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.  
He does not faint or grow weary;  
his understanding is unsearchable.

29 He gives power to the faint  
and strengthens the powerless.

30 Even youths will faint and be weary,  
and the young will fall exhausted,

31 but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their  
strength;  
they shall mount up with wings like eagles;  
they shall run and not be weary;  
they shall walk and not faint.

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

## About the Music

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Dietrich Buxtehude was greatly admired by J. S. Bach. In fact, Bach visited Buxtehude at the Mariankirche in Lubeck, Germany, and stayed so long Bach was reprimanded when he returned to his position in Arnstadt.

Francis Jackson was Director of Music for 36 years at York Minster in England. He died in January 2022 at the age of 104. He remained active as an organist past his 100th birthday.

## Notes of Interest

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**Ushers** are Linda Bobier, Mary & Chuck Goldthwaite, Beth Heisler, Rick Hess, and Suzanne Moon. **Head Usher** is Lisa Ann Ranson.

**Student Greeter** is Morgan Everton.

**About the Lord's Prayer:** In response to our completed worship series, with emphasis on the Lord's Prayer, we are offering the more recent translation of the Lord's Prayer from the *Presbyterian Book of Common Worship*, 2018 edition, as an option to prayer. Worshippers may want to pray in versions or languages of their choosing. A variety of voices, words, and languages may join together in a shared voice of prayer.

## Prayer Requests

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Please pray for the following members & friends:

- For Barbara, struggling with bone fractures;
- For Nick, a high school freshman who had emergency brain tumor surgery;
- For the family of Neil R., as they mourn his passing;
- For Mike L. and family as he struggles with ALS;
- For Sandy, as she undergoes chemotherapy;
- For Jan, for healing of her broken leg and courage as she battles bone cancer;
- For Tom, for healing in his battle with cancer;
- For Rick, whose cancer is in remission;
- For our healthcare workers, first responders, and local and federal government workers who are serving our communities during these challenging times;
- For our men and women in the military.

To add your prayer requests to the Pinnacle prayer list, please email [prayer@pinnaclepres.org](mailto:prayer@pinnaclepres.org) or call 480.585.9448.

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