

Welcome

PINNACLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, August 21, 2022 | 10:00 am
11th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude	<i>Praeludium in G minor</i> Lorraine Brugh, organ	Nicolaus Bruhns
Lighting of the Candles		Ciana Mattingly
Words of Welcome		Wes Avram
Call to Worship		Michael Hegeman
*Opening Hymn	<i>Earth and All Stars!</i>	No. 26

**1 Earth and all stars!
Loud rushing planets!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Hail, wind, and rain!
Loud blowing snowstorm!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
God has done marvelous things.
We too sing praises with a new song!**

**2 Trumpet and pipes!
Loud clashing cymbals!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Harp, lute, and lyre!
Loud humming cellos!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
God has done marvelous things.
We too sing praises with a new song!**

**3 Engines and steel!
Loud pounding hammers!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Limestone and beams!
Loud building workers!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
God has done marvelous things.
We too sing praises with a new song!**

**4 Knowledge and truth!
Loud sounding wisdom!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Daughter and son!**

**Loud praying members!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
God has done marvelous things.
We too sing praises with a new song!**

Prayer of Adoration Sarah White

Call to Confession Wes Avram

Common Confession and Assurance (unison) Wes Avram
Lord, as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is your loving kindness toward us. Do not deal with us according to our sins, but blot out our offenses. As far as the east is from the west, remove our transgressions from us, for you abound in steadfast love. Now hear our silent prayers of confession. (silence)

***Congregational Response** *Celtic Alleluia* No. 587
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.
(All sing twice)

***Passing of the Peace** Wes Avram

Children's Message Hillary Mackowski
Children & Youth leave for Church School

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.**

Our Common Life Wes Avram
Ministry Moment Kelsey Vasquez

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Offertory John Bell
Musical Offering *We Rejoice to be God's Chosen*
Summer Choir, Ilona Kubiacyk-Adler, director • Lorraine Brugh, piano
Marcia Sobek, flute
With Congregation

Low Voices
**We rejoice to be God's chosen not through virtue, work, or skill,
But because God's love is gen'rous, unconformed to human will.
And because God's love is restless like the surging of the sea,
We are pulled by heav'n's dynamic to become, not just to be.**

High Voices
**We rejoice to be God's chosen, to be gathered to God's side
Not to build a pious ghetto or be steeped in selfish pride;
But to celebrate the goodness of the one who sets us free
From the smallness of our vision to become, not just to be.**

All Voices

We rejoice to be God's chosen, to align with heav'n's intent,
To await where we are summoned and accept where we are sent.
We rejoice to be God's chosen and amidst all that we see,
To anticipate with wonder that the best is yet to be.

*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

Psalm 31:1-5

Wes Avram

Scripture Reading

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

Michael Hegeman

Sermon

We've Come This Far by Faith

Michael Hegeman

*Hymn

We've Come This Far by Faith
(Choir sing first, All sing next)

No. 656

**We've come this far by faith,
leaning on the Lord,
trusting in the holy Word;
God's never failed us yet.
O, can't turn around,
we've come this far by faith.
We've come this far by faith.**

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.

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.

*Closing Hymn

Blessed Assurance

No. 839

1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain

This is my story; this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story; this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.

2 Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels descending, bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.
Refrain

3 Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

***Charge & Benediction**

Michael Hegeman

Sending Music

Toccata on *Our Father in Heaven*
Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler, organ

Felix Mendelssohn

* Please rise.

WE REJOICE TO BE GOD'S CHOSEN

Tune: NETTLETON

Words and Arr.

by John L. Bell



Low Voices 1. We re - joice to be God's cho - sen, not through
High Voices 2. We re - joice to be God's cho - sen, to be
All Voices 3. We re - joice to be God's cho - sen, to a -



vir - tue, work, or skill, but be-cause God's love is
gath - ered to God's side not to build a pi - ous
lign with heav'n's in - tent, to a - wait where we are



gen - 'rous, un-con-formed to hu-man will. And be -
ghet - to or be steeped in self-ish pride; but to
sum-moned, and ac - cept where we are sent. We re -



cause God's love is rest - less like the surg - ing of the
cel - e - brate the good-ness of the One who sets us
joyce to be God's cho - sen and a - midst all that we



sea, we are pulled by heav'n's dy - nam - ic to be -
free from the small - ness of our vi - sion to be -
see, to an - ti - ci - pate with won - der that the



come, not just to be.
come, not just to be.
best is yet to be.

Scripture

Psalm 31:1-5

Prayer and Praise for Deliverance from Enemies To the leader. A Psalm of David.

- 1 In you, O Lord, I seek refuge;
do not let me ever be put to shame;
in your righteousness deliver me.
- 2 Incline your ear to me;
rescue me speedily.
Be a rock of refuge for me,
a strong fortress to save me.
- 3 You are indeed my rock and my fortress;
for your name's sake lead me and guide me;
- 4 take me out of the net that is hidden for me,
for you are my refuge.
- 5 Into your hand I commit my spirit;
you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

The Faith of Other Israelite Heroes

- 29 By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. 30 By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. 31 By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.
- 32 And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets, 33 who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, 34 quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. 35 Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. 36 Others suffered mocking and flogging and even chains and imprisonment. 37 They were stoned to death; they were sawn in two; they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented— 38 of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains and in caves and holes in the ground.
- 39 Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, 40 since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

The Example of Jesus

- 12 Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, 2 looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Notes of Interest

Ushers are Tim Erion, Renee & Jed Schenck, Christie Slegers, and Eugene Wade; **Head Usher** is Robert Slegers.

Student Greeters are Chelsea & Vincent Garzolini.

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

Please pray for the following members & friends:

- For Barb J., recovering from heart valve replacement;
- For Carl C., beginning immunotherapy;
- For Eileen, battling cancer;
- 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.

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