

Welcome

PINNACLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, September 4, 2022 | 10:00 am
13th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*
Lorraine Brugh, organ

Paul Manz

Lighting of the Candles

Sarah White

Words of Welcome

Wes Avram

Call to Worship

Michael Hegeman

***Opening Hymn**

God the Sculptor of the Mountains
Choir sings verse 1; All sing verses 2-4

No.5

**1 God the sculptor of the mountains,
God the miller of the sand,
God the jeweler of the heavens,
God the potter of the land:
you are womb of all creation;
we are formless; shape us now.**

**2 God the nuisance of the Pharaoh,
God the cleaver of the sea,
God the pillar in the darkness,
God the beacon of the free:
you are fount of all deliverance;
we are aimless; lead us now.**

**3 God the dresser of the vineyard,
God the planter of the wheat,
God the reaper of the harvest,
God the source of all we eat:
you are host at every table;
we are hungry; feed us now.**

**4 God the unexpected infant,
God the calm, determined youth,
God the table-turning prophet,
God the resurrected truth:
you are present every moment;
we are searching; meet us now.**

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Prayer of Adoration

Sarah White

Call to Confession

Erik Khoobyarian

Common Confession and Assurance (unison)

Erik Khoobyarian

O Lord, you have searched us and known us. You know when we sit and when we rise. You perceive our thoughts from far away. You discern our going out and our lying down. Before a word is on our lips, you know it completely. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us, and lead us in your everlasting ways, according to your mercy and love. Now hear our silent prayers of confession. (silence)

*Congregational Response

Alleluia

No. 588

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.
(Follow the lead of the Cantor)

*Passing of the Peace

Erik Khoobyarian

Children's Message

Brandon Huenemann

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

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Offertory

Musical Offering

Come Away to the Skies

Kentucky Harmony, arr. D. Mennicke

Chancel Choir, Lorraine Brugh, director

*Come away to the skies, my beloved, arise
And rejoice in the day you were born;
On this festival day, come exulting away,
And with singing to Zion return.*

*Now created again that our lives may remain
Throughout time and eternity Thine.
We with thanks do approve the design
Of that love which has joined us to Jesus' Name;*

*Now united in heart, let us never more part,
Till we meet at the feast of the Lamb.
Hallelujah! we sing to our Father and King,*

*And His rapturous praises repeat:
To the Lamb that was slain, Hallelujah again!
Sing all Heaven and fall at His feet!*

To God all glory, praise, and love
Be now and ever given
By saints below and saints above,
The church in earth and heaven. Amen.

Scripture Reading	Philemon 1:1-21	Michael Hegeman
Sermon	<i>More Than Useful, You Are Welcome</i>	Michael Hegeman
Hymn	<i>For Freedom Christ Has Set Us Free</i> Choir sings verse 1; All sing verses 2-3	see bulletin music

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 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* No. 366

1 Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling;
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion;
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation;
enter every trembling heart.

2 Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit
into every troubled breast;
let us all in thee inherit;
let us find the promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.

3 Come, Almighty, to deliver;
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

4 Finish then thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee:
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

*Charge & Benediction

Michael Hegeman

Sending Music

Fugue on “O God Our Help in Ages Past”
Lorraine Brugh, organ

J. S. Bach

* Please rise.

About the Music

Paul Manz (1919-2009) coupled his love of improvisation with a love of hymn singing. His preludes were meant to inspire congregational singing by setting up the character of the hymn. “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” is a prelude which he dedicated to Lorraine Brugh.

Today’s postlude is a 3-part fugue and one of J. S. Bach’s most famous works. All 3 fugues are based on the tune we know as “O God, Our Help in Ages Past” which was a new hymn during Bach’s time.

The hymn, *For Freedom Christ Has Set Us Free*, was commissioned for Michael Hegeman's ordination in 2019 by the Methodist minister/hymn writer Dan Damon. To acknowledge Michael's doctoral work on the book of Galatians, Dan used key passages from Galatians to craft this hymn text. The theme of God's freeing all humanity from a state of slavery to the state of freedom is a key metaphor not only for Galatians but for the majority of scripture.

Scripture

Philemon 1:1-21

Salutation

1 Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To our beloved coworker Philemon, 2 to our sister Apphia, to our fellow soldier Archippus, and to the church in your house:

3 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Philemon's Love and Faith

4 I thank my God always when I mention you in my prayers, 5 because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. 6 I pray that the partnership of your faith may become effective as you comprehend all the good that we share in Christ. 7 I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

Paul's Plea for Onesimus

8 For this reason, though I am more than bold enough in Christ to command you to do the right thing, 9 yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. 10 I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. 11 Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me. 12 I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. 13 I wanted to keep him with me so that he might minister to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel, 14 but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. 15 Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for the long term, 16 no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

17 So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. 18 If he has wronged you in any way or owes you anything, charge that to me. 19 I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. 20 Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. 21 Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I ask.

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

Notes of Interest

Ushers are Kaaren Gotwals , Michelle & Gary Holcomb, and Adam Rogers; **Head Usher** is Greg Sharp.

The flowers are given by JeanEtte Hyatt in memory of my husband, Bill.

The common confession prayer is modified from Psalm 139.

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 Lisa, Lynn, & Elizabeth and their family facing illness and difficult family situations;
- For Lorraine J. on the loss of her husband, Jim;
- For Rita H.;
- For Judy S.;
- For mom's pain to stop troubling her;
- For my dog to get well;
- 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 or call 480.585.9448.

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For Freedom Christ Has Set Us Free

Commissioned for the Ordination of Michael Hegeman

October 20, 2019

Words and Music arr. Dan Damon

1. For free - dom Christ has set us free. We
2. We are God's will - ing ser - vants now, and
3. A new cre - a - tion we pro - claim, and

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stand on what we know. Our
9 en - er - gized be by our love, we
praise will be our song. We

13 Sa - viour gives us li - ber - ty to
dai - ly claim the Spir - it's pow'r to
love and serve in Je - sus' name, and

17 love and learn and grow. De -
shape and guide and move. We
find where we be - long. This

21 spair and doubt hold us no more. The
bear each of oth - ers' will bur - dens here, cre -
song of praise - will nev - er end, so

25 bonds that held us fast are
at - ing sa - cred space, as
fol - low Christ the way. Come,

29 bro - ken by our ris - en Lord. Our
fruit - ful lives let go of fear, re -
join the ser - vant song, my friend. Come

cap - tive days are past.
plac - ing it with grace.
lift your voice to - day.

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