



Prelude *Dearest Children, God is Near You* arr. James Kasen
Valerie Harris, organ

Processional in G Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler
Cholla Chimers and Canyon Ringers, Samantha Jorgensen, director

Lighting of the Candles Gwendolyn Jensen

Words of Welcome Wes Avram

Call to Worship Leah Quarles

***Opening Hymn** *God is So Good* No. 658

1 God is so good;
God is so good;
God is so good;
God's so good to me.

2 God cares for me;
God cares for me;
God cares for me;
God's so good to me.

3 God loves me so;
God loves me so;
God loves me so;
God's so good to me.

4 God is so good;
God is so good;
God is so good;
God's so good to me.

Prayer of Adoration Zadie Jensen

Call to Confession Michael Hegeman

Common Confession and Assurance (unison)

Michael Hegeman

Lord Jesus, you came humbly as a child, to love and to serve.

We seek to be like you yet at times we miss the mark.

We want a place of greatness. You point to the position of the least.

We want to be served. Yet you invite us to serve.

We want to be first in line. You remind us the first will be last.

Forgive us and show us how to be your children again.

Now hear our silent prayers of confession. (silence).

***Congregational Response**

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!

No. 591, vs. 1

Refrain:

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

**O God, to whom shall we go?
You alone have the words of life.
Let your words be our prayer
and the song we sing:
hallelujah, hallelujah! (Refrain)**

***Passing of the Peace**

Michael Hegeman

Children's Message

Michael Hegeman
No. 623

I've Got Peace Like a River

Pinnacle Children Choir, Samantha Jorgensen, director

All children & youth stay in worship

Our Common Life

Ministry Moment

Wes Avram
Fall Round-Up

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Offertory

Musical Offering

Look at the World

John Rutter

Pinnacle Children Choir, Samantha Jorgensen, director
Chancel Choir, Ilona Kubiacyk-Adler, director • Valerie Harris, piano

*Look at the world, everything all around us,
Look at the world, and marvel every day.
Look at the world: so many joys and wonders,
So many miracles along our way.*

Refrain:

*Praise to thee, O Lord, for all creation,
Give us thankful hearts, that we may see:
All the gifts we share, and every blessing,
All things come of thee.*

*Look at the earth bringing forth fruit and flower;
Look at the sky, the sunshine and the rain;
Look at the hills, look at the trees and mountains,
Valley and flowing river, field and plain. Refrain*

*Think of the spring, think of the warmth of summer
Bringing the harvest before the winter's cold.
Everything grows, everything has a season,
'Til it is gathered to the Father's fold. Refrain*

*Every good gift, all that we need and cherish
Comes from the Lord in token of his love;
We are his hands, stewards of all his bounty;
His is the earth, and his the heavens above. Refrain*

*Doxology (*Azmon*)

No. 610, v. 5

**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

Matthew 18:1-5

Leah Quarles

Sermon

Learning From the Least

Leah Quarles

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.

*Closing Hymn

We Are Marching in the Light of God

No. 853

We are marching in the light of God;
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching in the light of God;
we are marching in the light of God.

We are dancing . . .

We are praying . . .

We are singing . . .

*Charge & Benediction

Leah Quarles

Sending Music

Toccata in G Major
Valerie Harris, organ

Théodore Dubois

* Please rise.

Scripture

Matthew 18:1-5

True Greatness

18 At that time the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" 2 He called a child, whom he put among them, 3 and said, "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. 4 Whoever becomes humble like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. 5 Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me.

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About the Music

The children will be leading the music for today's service along with the choir. The service begins with a handchime processional by the children. The anthem "Look at the World" reflects the wonder of the many small miracles all around us. The lively hymn "We Are Marching in the Light of God" is a Zulu/Xhosa freedom song originating in a Methodist young men's group in South Africa.

Notes of Interest

Ushers are Kaaren Gotwals and Brian, Ben, Joe, & Matt Sidoti. **Head Usher** is Rick Hess.

The flowers are given by Maureen & Joe Kaiser in celebration of Joe's mother, Marguerite Kaiser's, 101st birthday.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following members & friends:

- For Grace, recovering from a car accident;
- Prayers and Gratitude to our Stephen Ministers;
- For Kelly, struggling with depression;
- For Eric, diagnosed with stage 4 pancreatic cancer;
- For everyone in Florida affected by Hurricane Ian;
- For Uncle Fred, as he recovers from open heart surgery;
- 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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