

Welcome

PINNACLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, October 30, 2022 | 10:00 am

21st Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Improvisation on *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus*
Shea Marshall, saxophone • Ilona Kubiacyk-Adler, piano

Lighting of the Candles

Lia Jensen

Words of Welcome

Erik Khoobyarian

Call to Worship

Rain Down

Choir sings first; then all join

Capo 3: (D) (F#7) (Bm) (D7) (G)

F A7 Dm F7 B^b

Rain down; rain down; rain down your
love on your peo - ple. Rain down; rain
down; rain down your love, God of life.

(D/F#) (Em7) (A7) (D) (F#7) (Bm)
F/A Gm7 C7 F A7 Dm

(D7) (G) (Em) (A7) (G) (D)
F7 B^b Gm C7 B^b F

*Opening Hymn

Lord, When I Came Into This Life

No. 691

1 Lord, when I came into this life
you called me by my name;
today I come, commit myself,
responding to your claim.

2 Within the circle of the faith,
as member of your cast,
I take my place with all the saints
of future, present, past.

3 In all the tensions of my life,
between my faith and doubt,
let your great Spirit give me hope,
sustain me, lead me out.

4 So help me in my unbelief
and let my life be true:
feet firmly planted on the earth,
my sights set high on you.

Prayer of Adoration

Gwendolyn Jensen

Call to Confession

Leah Quarles

Common Confession and Assurance (unison)

Leah Quarles

God, throughout time you have invited your people to trust in you. So often our faith ancestors doubted your promises and questioned your presence. Our stories are not that different from theirs. When we face roadblocks that seem immovable, we turn to you in frustration. We question the path you have led us down. We wonder where you are. Help us to recognize our anxieties and our fears. Strengthen our faith. Let us hold strong to your promises. 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

Leah Quarles

Children's Message

Leah Quarles & Kristin Willett

Children & 6th-8th Grade 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

Erik Khoobyarian

Ministry Moment

David Schaller

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Offertory

Musical Offering

Let Everything That Hath Breath

Jeffery Ames

Chancel Choir, Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler, director • Thomas Strawser, soloist
Shea Marshall, saxophone • Valerie Harris, piano

*Sing unto the Lord a new song.
Sing unto the Lord all the earth.
Declare His glory among the nations.
Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord!*

*Magnify the Lord with me and exalt His name together.
Hallelujah, bless His name for He's worthy to be praised.
Clap your hands all ye people. Shout with a voice of triumph!
For the mighty Lord is great and greatly to be praised.
Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord!*

*Come on and praise, let's all praise His name,
Give Him the highest praise!
Praise Him with the timbrel, praise Him with the dance.
Stand up on your feet and just lift up holy hands.
Sing "Hallelujah," praise His holy name.
For the Lord is worthy to be praised!*

Let's praise the Lord!

*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

Isaiah 43:16, 18-19

Nicholas Mira

Scripture Reading

Exodus 14:10-27

Kristin & Brandon Willett

Sermon

God Makes A Way

Kristin & Brandon Willett

Common Prayer, Lord's Prayer (unison)

Michael Hegeman

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

Let Us Build A House

No. 301

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

Refrain:

all are welcome; all are welcome; all are welcome in this place.

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2 Let us build a house where prophets speak,
and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek
to dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness
and as symbol of God's grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: (Refrain)

3 Let us build a house where love is found
in water, wine, and wheat;
a banquet hall on holy ground
where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus,
is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us: (Refrain)

4 Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger: (Refrain)

5 Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured,
taught and claimed as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace;
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: (Refrain)

***Charge & Benediction**

Kristin & Brandon Willett

Sending Music

Fantasie g-moll
Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler, organ

Johann Gottfried Mützel

* Please rise.

Scripture

Isaiah 43:16, 18-19

16 Thus says the Lord,
who makes a way in the sea,
a path in the mighty waters,

18 Do not remember the former things
or consider the things of old.

19 I am about to do a new thing;
now it springs forth; do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.

Exodus 14:10-27

10 As Pharaoh drew near, the Israelites looked back, and there were the Egyptians advancing on them. In great fear the Israelites cried out to the Lord. 11 They said to Moses, "Was it because there were no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us, bringing us out of Egypt? 12 Is this not the very thing we told you in Egypt, 'Let us alone so that we can serve the Egyptians'? For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness." 13 But Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid, stand firm, and see the deliverance that the Lord will accomplish for you today, for the Egyptians whom you see today you shall never see again. 14 The Lord will fight for you, and you have only to keep still."

15 Then the Lord said to Moses, "Why do you cry out to me? Tell the Israelites to go forward. 16 But you lift up your staff and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it, that the Israelites may go into the sea on dry ground. 17 Then I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they will go in after them, and so I will gain glory for myself over Pharaoh and all his army, his chariots, and his chariot drivers. 18 Then the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I have gained glory for myself over Pharaoh, his chariots, and his chariot drivers."

19 The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them, and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. 20 It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

21 Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night and turned the sea into dry land, and the waters were divided. 22 The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. 23 The Egyptians pursued and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. 24 At the morning watch the Lord, in the pillar of fire and cloud, looked down on the Egyptian army and threw the Egyptian army into a panic. 25 He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt."

The Pursuers Drowned

26 Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." 27 So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea.

About the Music

Special welcome to our guest musician today, jazz multi-instrumentalist and session musician, Shea Marshall. He is a well recorded artist, currently based in Las Vegas, and his primary instruments are saxophone and Hammond B-3. The choral anthem today *Let Everything That Hath Breath* by Jeffery Ames is an exuberant celebration set within the traditional gospel style. The text for this piece is taken from several Psalms and seeks to “Magnify the Lord and exalt His name.” Jeffery Ames serves as Director of Choral Activities at the School of Music at Belmont University in Nashville, TN. The organ postlude is by Johann Gottfried M \ddot{u} thel who was a noted 18th-century German keyboard virtuoso. His *Fantasia g-moll* is composed in the style called *Sturm und Drang* (Storm and Stress), which was meant to express extremes of emotions in a free way. He was the last pupil of Johann Sebastian Bach and spent most of his career in Riga, currently in Latvia.

Notes of Interest

Ushers are Judy & J.D. Helms, Shelly & Tom McCahan, John Thompson, and Mary Upchurch. **Head Usher** is Robert Armstrong.

Student Greeters are Caroline Jones and George Jones.

The flowers are given by Mel Steele in loving memory of my wife, Fran. On October 30 we would have celebrated the 63rd anniversary of our marriage.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following members & friends:

- For Jan, undergoing treatment for adrenal cancer;
- For Ed S., for test results that provide innovative treatment;
- For Tanya, as she prepares for surgery;
- For Sharon & Craig, with a drug addicted daughter in prison;
- For Lucas, with spinal injuries from an accident;
- For Anne, in her 90's, with a broken hip, pelvic bone, sacrum and can't have surgery;
- 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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