

Welcome to Pinnacle Presbyterian Church

Love



Christmas Eve Service
December 24 | 8 & 10 pm



PINNACLE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

WEEKLY SUNDAY WORSHIP:

8 am | Chapel
10 am | Sanctuary & Online at pinnaclepres.org

WELCOME to our Christmas Eve service. We hope that you will feel a sense of peace and purpose as you worship with us. God came into our world in the form of this one Jesus, born as a baby in Bethlehem, who brought hope and new life to all...the carpenter who is the Christ. We invite you to return to share in our congregational life and mission here at Pinnacle.

The Family Lounge is available for any families who may need to leave the service and wish to continue to watch the service live-streamed. Ask an usher for directions.

December 24, 2022

Christmas Eve

8:00 pm and 10:00 pm

Prelude at 7:40 pm & 9:40 pm

Carol Medley

arr. N. Palmer

Quintet

Ding, Dong, Merrily on High

arr. Kurt Bestor

Danny Yang, violin • Valerie Harris, piano

WE PREPARE

Call to Worship

Gesu Bambino

P. Yon / F. Martens

Schae Chapman, soprano • Valerie Harris, piano
Chancel Choir and Congregation

*When blossoms flowered 'mid the snows
Upon a winter night,
Was born the Child, the Christmas Rose,
The King of Love and Light.
The angels sang, the shepherds sang,
The grateful earth rejoiced;
And at his blessed birth the stars
Their exultation voiced.*

All:

**O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.**

*Again the heart with rapture glows
To greet the holy night,
That gave the world its Christmas Rose,
Its King of Love and Light.
Let ev'ry voice acclaim his name,
The grateful chorus swell.
From paradise to earth he came
That we with him might dwell.*

All:

**O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him,
Christ the Lord.**

Lighting of the Advent Candle

The Smith Family (8 pm)
The Sheaffer Family (10 pm)

“Good news of great joy,” the angel said,
“for to you a savior is born.”
“Peace on earth,” the choir sang,
“for God reigns in the highest.”
“Follow me,” the star beckoned,
“For Hope was born in Bethlehem.”

As we light the Christ candle,
All: we watch for the Christmas story around us.
Emmanuel has come and is coming.
All: Come, all ye faithful, and worship God.

Words of Welcome

Wes Avram

*Opening Carol

Angels, From the Realms of Glory

No. 143, vs. 1, 2, & 4

1 Angels, from the realms of glory,
wing your flight o'er all the earth;
you, who sang creation's story,
now proclaim Messiah's birth:
come and worship, come and worship,
worship Christ, the newborn king!

2 Shepherds, in the fields abiding,
watching o'er your flocks by night,
God with us is now residing;
yonder shines the infant light:
come and worship, come and worship,
worship Christ, the newborn king!

4 All creation, join in praising
God the Father, Spirit, Son,
evermore your voices raising
to the eternal Three in One:
come and worship, come and worship,
worship Christ, the newborn king!

***Christmas Peace**

Michael Hegeman (8 pm)

Erik Khoobyarian (10 pm)

One: God of love, on Christmas you became one of us.

All: We welcome your Love for all.

God of humanity, you offered your peace to anyone who would welcome your presence.

We see your peace in your Church and hear your commission to share it in all the world.

God of the shepherds, you announced your arrival to the poorest and the humblest.

We welcome good news, right here where we are.

God of the manger, you came to us in a small and simple place.

We welcome your presence in this place, made glorious by your birth.

God of deliverance, you came to be one of us to deliver all of us.

We welcome your mercy toward all who are vulnerable.

God of birth, when you became as we are, you opened yourself to each of us.

We welcome your realm, now and in the life to come.

God of Christmas,

bless us as we celebrate your coming to us and all creation.

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

***Carols**

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

No. 119

**Hark! The herald angels sing, Glory to the new-born King.
Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!
Joyful, all ye nations, rise, join the triumph of the skies;
With the angelic host proclaim, Christ is born in Bethlehem!
Hark! The herald angels sing, Glory to the newborn King!**

Away in a Manger

No. 115

**Away in a manger, no crib for his bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head;
The stars in the sky looked down where he lay,
The little Lord Jesus, asleep in the hay.**

Joy to the World

No. 134

**Joy to the World! the Lord is come; Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare him room,
And heaven and nature sing, And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing.**

WE HEAR

First Lesson

Psalm 96

Michael Hegeman (8 pm)
Erik Khoobyarian (10 pm)

Anthem

Walk in the Light

trad. spiritual, arr. Andre Thomas

Chancel Choir, Ilona Kubiacyk-Adler, director • Valerie Harris, piano

*We'll walk in the light, beautiful light,
come where the dewdrops of mercy shine bright.
Shine all around us by day and by night,
Jesus, the Light of the world*

*Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King,"*

*Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
Christ, the everlasting Lord!*

Christmas Prayer

Erik Khoobyarian (8 pm)
Leah Quarles (10 pm)

Christmas Offering

Musical Offering

Sussex Carol

Elaine Hagenberg

Chancel Choir, Ilona Kubiacyk-Adler, director • Quintet • Valerie Harris, piano

*On Christmas night all Christians sing,
To hear the news the angels bring;
On Christmas night all Christians sing,
To hear the news the angels bring,
News of great joy, news of great mirth,
News of our merciful King's birth.*

*Then why should all on earth be sad,
Since our Redeemer made us glad;
Then why should all on earth be sad,
Since our Redeemer made us glad;
When from our sin he set us free,
All for to gain our liberty.*

*When sin departs before his grace,
Then life and health come in its place.
When sin departs before his grace,
Then life and health come in its place.
Angels and all with joy may sing,
All for to see the newborn King.*

*All out of darkness we have light,
Which made the angels sing this night;
Then out of darkness we have light
Which made the angels sing this night,
"Glory to God in highest heav'n,
Now and for evermore, Amen!"*

*Doxology (What Child Is This, No. 145, v. 3)

**So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh;
come, one and all, to own him.
The King of kings salvation brings;
let loving hearts enthrone him.
Raise, raise the song on high.
The virgin sings her lullaby.
Joy, joy, for Christ is born,
the babe, the son of Mary!**

Second Lesson

Luke 2:1-20

Wes Avram

Sermon

With Us

Wes Avram

WE RESPOND

Spreading the Light

Introduction

Michael Hegeman (8 pm)
Erik Khoobyarian (10 pm)

Light will be passed from the aisles.
Please light your candle from the person next to you,
with lit candle held vertically and the unlit candle tipped toward the flame.
Children may open their glow stick to hold up with the candles at this time.

***Carol**

Silent Night, Holy Night

No. 122

**1 Silent night, holy night!
All is calm, all is bright,
Round yon virgin mother and child!
Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.**

**2 Silent night, holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight,
Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heav'nly hosts sing: "Alleluia;
Christ, the Savior, is born,
Christ, the Savior, is born."**

3 Silent night, holy night!
Son of God, love's pure light
Radiant beams from thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.

4 Silent night, holy night!
Wondrous star, lend thy light;
Wish the angels let us sing
Alleluia to our King:
Christ the Savior is born;
Christ the Savior is born.

* **Christmas Blessing**

Wes Avram

* **Sending Music**

Let Earth Receive Her King
Valerie Harris, organ

arr. Richard Elliott

* Please rise.

Christmas Poinsettias

Given By:	In Celebration of:
Lynne & Wes Avram	The congregation at Pinnacle Presbyterian Church
Angie & Chapin Bell	Marden Bell and Betty Ireland
Jane & John Chapman	Our friends at Pinnacle Presbyterian Church
Jean Dodge	Our families
Anne & Mike Foley	The birth of the carpenter from the plains of Galilee-The Prince of Peace!
The Garzolini Family	Pinnacle Presbyterian Preschool Staff
Mary & Chuck Goldthwaite	Family & friends
Cathy & Steve Horrell	Our family and being together at this special time of year
Laurie, Caroline, & George Jones	Mr. & Mrs. Frank Alvin Brown, Jr.; Dr. & Mrs. Peter Bates; Mr. & Mrs. George Vernon Jones
Maureen Kaiser	Joseph Kaiser's birthday
The Kilbridge Family	Richard & Margaret Ebert
Katie & Mark Leinweber	Our family
Elaine & John Napolitan	Our family
Bev & Al Roselieb	Our family
Mel Steele	My grandsons, Matt & Ryan
Ann & Jerry Steiner	All of the Pinnacle Presbyterian staff
Karen & John Voris	Our grandchildren

Given by:	In Memory of:
Lynne & Wes Avram	Parents: Dorcas Allen, Eugene D. Avram
Leigh & Franck Avril	Our parents: Michel & Colette Avril and Robert & Dayle Walden
Michele & Tom Beyer	Victoria Alldredge and Tom Beyer
Debbi & Gary Burdick	Our parents and infant twins
Jean Dodge	Fred Dodge
Richard & Margaret McLeod Ebert	Capt. Charles Hudson & Elizabeth MacLeod Nott and their sons, Hudson Malcolm and Lawrence Treat
The Ebert & Kilbridge Families	The Reverend Mr. David L. Ebert, brother & uncle
Kaaren & Rob Gotwals	Dr. Maurice & Elizabeth Arnold and Robert & Dorothy Gotwals
Diane Hall	My husband, Bill Hall
Marilyn Harrer	Richard G. Harrer
Tiffany, Colyn, & Audrey Hart	The young people that felt hopeless and were unable to overcome
Marge Hasslinger and Family	Dennis Hasslinger
Carol Hoy	Ethel & Richard Hoy

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Christmas Poinsettias

Given by:	In Memory of:
Laurie, Caroline, and George Jones	Mr. & Mrs. John Lawrence Gray, Sr; Mr. & Mrs. Frank Alvin Brown, Sr.; Dr. & Mrs. J. Grady Cox; and Mr. & Mrs. George Alvin Jones
Maureen & Joseph Kaiser IV	Clarence James Myers; Maryann & Peter Owens; Marguerite & Joseph Kaiser III
The Kilbridge Family	James & Ethel Kilbridge
Arlene Knight Kilgore	Wilson Kilgore
Mary Kuentler	Grant Kuentler
BJ Neal	My husband, Ronald Neal
Jean Nemer	Chari Colleen Conroy
Anne & Bob Oswald	John & Jean Woolverton and Bob & Ira Oswald
The Rohn & Pugh Families	Nancy Pugh & Ann Kay Rohn
Marilyn Reese	Richard Reese and our parents
Carlton, Bunnie, Grace, & Sloane Richie	Carl Richie and Kiyoko Feller
Parris Richie	My husband, Carlton Richie and my brother, Sheldon Lydy
Bev & Al Roselieb	Our parents
Cindy Roszell	Stephen Roszell, Mary Lou Roszell, Lyle Roszell, Georgia Carrier, and Charles Carrier, Jr.
Jane Schachtli	My 63 years of marriage to Randy
Jacqueline & Brian Sidoti	Joseph Phillip Olmert, Jr. and Eugene Joseph Sidoti, Jr.
Marcia, Dave, Madeline, & Grant Sobek	Richard Harrer
Susan Stanton	My beautiful dad and mom, Herb & Marta Stanton
Mel Steele	Fran Steele
Connie & John Thompson	Charles & Elma Cristler and John & Helen Thompson
Ruth Unger	My husband, Ken, and son, Jason
Mary, Jarett, & Connor Upchurch	James Upchurch, beloved husband & father; Bud & Juanita Upchurch; and Mary, William, & Bill Pahissa
Margo Walter	Emelil Mudd Williams and Robert Mudd
Ed Weishel	Mary Lou Weishel
Paulette & Thomas White	Our parents

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE: Christmas brings families together to celebrate the birth of Jesus. Whether near or far, the people we share our lives with become our families. Tonight as we prepare our hearts and minds to receive the Christ Child into the world, we welcome our families in lighting The Christ Candle.

MUSICIANS for the worship services are Danny Yang, 1st violin; Izayah Dutcher, 2nd violin; Louis Coste, viola; Xue Chen, cello; and Kelsey Maes, oboe.

USHERS at 8 pm are Rick Hess, Curt Sorenson; Head Usher is Mark Steel. Ushers at 10 pm are Davie Garrison and Al Muto; Head usher is Greg Sharp.

The Staff at Pinnacle Presbyterian Church

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