

Welcome

PINNACLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, January 29, 2023 | 10:00 am

4th Sunday after Epiphany

Prelude

How Great Thou Art (in the style of Oscar Peterson)

arr. J. Martinez

Ilona Kubiacyk-Adler, piano

Adoration

Florence Beatrice Price

Marcia Sobek, flute • Ilona Kubiacyk-Adler, piano

Lighting of the Candles

Laurel Davis

Words of Welcome

Leah Quarles

Call to Worship

Wes Avram

***Opening Hymn**

Will You Come and Follow Me

No. 726

Peg Boutchia, soloist • Marcia Sobek, flute

(first verse sung by Soloist; then All join)

1 “Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don’t know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?”

2 “Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?”

3 “Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?”

4 “Will you love the ‘you’ you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you’ve found to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?”

5 Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I’ll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I’ll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

Prayer of Adoration

Morgan Everton

Call to Confession

Erik Khoobyarian

first Choir, then All sing

Composer: Karen Hernandez

Part I
O - pen my heart, o - pen my heart.

Part II
O - pen my heart, o - pen my heart.

Part III
O - pen my heart, o - pen my heart.

O - pen my heart, o - pen my heart.

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Common Confession and Assurance (unison)

Erik Khoobyarian

Lord, hear; Lord, forgive; Lord, do.

Hear what we speak not; forgive what we speak amiss;

do what we leave undone; that not according to our words, or our deeds,

but according to your mercy and truth, all may work for your glory,

and the good of your kingdom, through Jesus Christ. Now hear our silent prayers of confession. (silence)

*Congregational Response (unison) *We Are Forgiven*

No. 447

We are forgiven. We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

We are forgiven. We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

*Passing of the Peace

Erik Khoobyarian

Children's Message

Children & 6th-8th Grade Youth leave for Church School.

Leah Quarles

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

Stewardship Moment
Ministry Moment

Erik Khoobyarian
Laurie Jones
Laurel Davis & Matt Sidoti

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Offertory

Musical Offering

O Love

Elaine Hagenberg

Chancel Choir, Ilona Kubiacyk-Adler, director • Benjamin Sidoti, piano

*O Love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe,
That in thy ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.*

*O Joy that seeks me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain,
That morn shall tearless be.*

***Doxology** (*Old Hundredth*) (unison)

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.**

***Prayer of Dedication**

Erik Khoobyarian

Scripture Reading

Matthew 6:1-4, 19-21

Wes Avram

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Be Perfect!: Perfect Giving

Wes Avram

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**

We Give Thee But Thine Own

No. 708

1 We give thee but thine own,
whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O Lord, from thee.

2 May we thy bounties thus
as stewards true receive,
and gladly, as thou blessest us,
to thee our firstfruits give.

3 The captive to release,
to God the lost to bring,
to teach the way of life and peace:
it is a Christ-like thing.

4 And we believe thy word,
though dim our faith may be;
whate'er we do for thine, O Lord,
we do it unto thee.

***Charge & Benediction**

Wes Avram

Sending Music

Fantasy from Suite No. 1
Ilona Kubiacyk-Adler, organ

Florence Beatrice Price

* Please rise.

Today's Common Confession is a prayer of Maria Ware (1798)

Scripture

Matthew 6:1-4, 19-21

Concerning Almsgiving

6 “Beware of practicing your righteousness before others in order to be seen by them, for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven.

2 “So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. 3 But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, 4 so that your alms may be done in secret, and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

Concerning Treasures

19 “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust[a] consume and where thieves break in and steal, 20 but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust[b] consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. 21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

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About the Music

In celebration of African American History Month throughout the month of January you have heard pieces stemming from the African American tradition. Today you will hear a couple compositions by Florence Beatrice Price (1887-1953) - the first African-American female composer whose large-scale symphonic work was performed by a major American orchestra. Born in Little Rock, AR, Price received her first musical training from her mother, an elementary school teacher and later a successful businesswoman. After studying at the New England Conservatory in Boston, MA, Florence Price established her career in Chicago as a well-respected Presbyterian church organist, concert pianist, studio teacher, and a nationally acclaimed composer. On April 3, 2022, The Philadelphia Orchestra's recording of her First and Third Symphonies was awarded the Grammy for Best Orchestral Performance.

Notes of Interest

Ushers are Kathe & Doug Drake, Suzanne Moon, Renee & Jed Schenck, Christie Slegers, and Eugene Wade.

Head Usher is Robert Slegers.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following members & friends:

- For Therese, having surgery for breast cancer;
- For John, for a successful stem cell transplant;
- For Colleen, having a nervous breakdown;
- For baby Jack, born with severe neurological damage, and his family;
- For a successful dental surgery;
- For my brother to have sharp vision regarding his marriage;
- For my brother-in-law to get a kidney;
- For Sandy, battling ovarian cancer;
- For Lynn & Gary;
- For my family;
- For Matteo, recovering from umbilical hernia surgery;
- For Richard & Sabrina, to bolster their marriage;
- For Bill & Rebecca;
- Prayers of gratitude for Noah Webster Schools;
- For our healthcare workers, first responders, and local and federal government workers who are serving our communities;
- For the people of Haiti and Harmony Ministries;
- For our men and women in the military.

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