

Welcome

PINNACLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, June 11, 2023 | 10:00 am
2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Skye Boat Song
Canzona
Go Down Moses
Bassoon Quartet

William Ross, arr. Chip King
J. Obrecht, arr. J. Miller
arr. Chip King

Lighting of the Candles

Sarah White

Words of Welcome

Wes Avram

Call to Worship

Wes Avram

*Opening Hymn

Morning Has Broken

No. 664

**1 Morning has broken
like the first morning;
blackbird has spoken
like the first bird.
Praise for the singing!
Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing
fresh from the Word!**

**2 Sweet the rain's new fall
sunlit from heaven,
like the first dewfall
on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness
of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness
where God's feet pass.**

**3 Mine is the sunlight!
Mine is the morning,
born of the one light
Eden saw play!
Praise with elation;
praise every morning,
God's re-creation
of the new day!**

Prayer of Adoration

Sarah White

Call to Confession

God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

No. 543, v. 1

**God, be the love to search and keep me;
God, be the prayer to move my voice;
God, be the strength to now uphold me:
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.**

Common Confession and Assurance (unison)

Erik Khoobyarian

Everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being: You have made us for yourself, so that our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Give us purity of heart and strength of purpose, that our selfish passions may not hinder us from knowing your will, nor our weakness keep us from doing it; that in your light we may see light clearly, and in your service find perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Now hear our silent prayers of confession. (silence)

*Congregational Response (unison)

Holy, Holy, Holy

No. 1, vs. 4

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

*Passing of the Peace

Erik Khoobyarian

One: The peace of our Lord be with you.
All: **And also with you.**

Children's Message

Mike Hegeman

Children & Youth will remain in worship.
Nursery and preschool are still available.

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

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Offertory

Musical Offering

Sortie

Louis Lefébure-Wély

Bassoon Quartet

*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

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Scripture Reading

Isaiah 44:9-20, 24-26

Wes Avram

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Why Pt. 2: Why Smash (Idols)?

Wes Avram

Special Music

How Great Thou Art

arr. D. Forrest

Schae Chapman, soloist • Ilona Kubiacyk-Adler, piano

Common Prayer, Lord's Prayer (unison)

Leah Quarles

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**

God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens

No. 24

1 God, who stretched the spangled heavens
infinite in time and place,
flung the suns in burning radiance
through the silent fields of space,
we, your children in your likeness,
share inventive powers with you.
Great Creator, still creating,
show us what we yet may do.

2 Proudly rise our modern cities,
stately buildings row on row.
Yet their windows, blank, unfeeling,
stare on canyoned streets below,
where the lonely drift unnoticed
in the city's ebb and flow,
lost to purpose and to meaning,
scarcely caring where they go.

3 We have ventured worlds undreamed of
since the childhood of our race;
known the ecstasy of winging
through untraveled realms of space;
probed the secrets of the atom,
yielding unimagined power,
facing us with life's destruction
or our most triumphant hour.

4 As each far horizon beckons,
may it challenge us anew,
children of creative purpose,
serving others, honoring you.
May our dreams prove rich with promise,
each endeavor well begun.
Great Creator, give us guidance
till our goals and yours are one.

*Charge & Benediction

Wes Avram

Sending Music

Animoso from Organ Concerto
Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler, organ

J. G. Graun

* Please rise.

Scripture

Isaiah 44:9-20, 24-26

The Absurdity of Idol Worship

9 All who make idols are nothing, and the things they delight in do not profit; their witnesses neither see nor know, and so they will be put to shame. 10 Who would fashion a god or cast an image that can do no good? 11 All its devotees shall be put to shame; the artisans, too, are merely human. Let them all assemble; let them stand up; they shall be terrified; they shall all be put to shame.

12 The blacksmith works it with a tool over the coals, shaping it with hammers and forging it with his strong arm; he becomes hungry, and his strength fails; he drinks no water and is faint. 13 The carpenter stretches a line, marks it out with a stylus, fashions it with planes, and marks it with a compass; he makes it in human form, with human beauty, to be set up in a shrine. 14 He cuts down cedars or chooses a holm tree or an oak and lets it grow strong among the trees of the forest. He plants a cedar and the rain nourishes it. 15 Then it can be used as fuel. Part of it he takes and warms himself; he kindles a fire and bakes bread. Then he makes a god and worships it, makes it a carved image and bows down before it. 16 Half of it he burns in the fire; over this half he roasts meat, eats it,^[a] and is satisfied. He also warms himself and says, "Ah, I am warm^[b] by the fire!" 17 The rest of it he makes into a god, his idol, bows down to it and worships it; he prays to it and says, "Save me, for you are my god!"

18 They do not know, nor do they comprehend, for their eyes are shut, so that they cannot see, and their minds as well, so that they cannot understand. 19 No one considers, nor is there knowledge or discernment to say, "Half of it I burned in the fire; I also baked bread on its coals; I roasted meat and have eaten. Now shall I make the rest of it an abomination? Shall I fall down before a block of wood?" 20 He feeds on ashes; a deluded mind has led him astray, and he cannot save himself or say, "Is not this thing in my right hand a fraud?"

New Revised Standard Version Updated (NRSV)

Notes of Interest

Ushers are Jack Bender, Leslie Colliopoulos, Rick Hess, Linda & Greg Moorhead, and Jean Nemer; **Head Usher** is Debbie Bender.

The Flowers are given by Marilyn & Curt Sorenson in celebration of their 62nd wedding anniversary.

Bassoon Quartet members are Chip King, Kristilyn Woods, David Rachor, and John Friedeman.

Activity bags for children to use during worship are available at the welcome desk and the Sanctuary narthex. Ushers are available to help you locate them.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following members & friends:

- For Janet, for healing with a small bowel perforation;
- For a friend suffering with tumors in stomach to find a cause and a cure;
- For Michael's recovery after 6 heart attacks;
- For Erin and Ryan, as they mourn Erin's mother's accident;
- For a good friend with Covid;
- For Alan undergoing dental surgery;
- 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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