PINNACLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Sunday, August 27, 2023 | 10:00 am 13th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Andante from Piano Trio in g-minor op. 17 Daga Suchon Hobbs, violin • Wesley Skinner, cello Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler, piano Clara Schumann

Lighting of the CandlesHenry Wessel

Words of Welcome Wes Avram

Call to Worship Wes Avram

*Opening Hymn My Shepherd Will Supply My Need No. 803

1 My shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is his name.
In pastures fresh he makes me feed, beside the living stream.
He brings my wandering spirit back when I forsake his ways, and leads me, for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

2 When I walk through the shades of death your presence is my stay; one word of your supporting breath drives all my fears away.

Your hand, in sight of all my foes, does still my table spread; my cup with blessings overflows; your oil anoints my head.

3 The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days;
O may your house be my abode, and all my work be praise.
There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come;
no more a stranger, or a guest, but like a child at home.

Prayer of Adoration Henry Wessel

Michael Hegeman No. 479, Refrain

Ho, All Who Thirst

Ho, all who thirst, come now to the water, and all whose souls are parched and weary, come and drink!

Ho, all who thirst, come now to the water, and from your heart will flow a never-failing spring!

Common Confession and Assurance (unison)

Michael Hegeman

Lord, hear. Lord, forgive. Lord, transform. Reconcile our hearts to what is good, our wills to what is just, our minds to what is true. We cannot do this on our own. 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

Michael Hegeman

One: The peace of our Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Children's Message Leah Quarles

Children K-8th Grade leave for Church School. 9th-12th Grade Youth will remain in worship with their families. Nursery and preschool are 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 Wes Avram

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Offertory

Musical Offering

Shepherd Me, O God

M. Haugen; arr. M. Hayes

Chancel Choir, Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler, director Daga Suchon Hobbs, violin • Wesley Skinner, cello • Jon Lang, piano

> (Refrain) Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.

God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want, I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love. I walk by the quiet waters of peace. (Refrain)

Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul, you lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth. My spirit shall sing the music of your name. (Refrain)

Though I should wander the valley of death,

I fear no evil, for you are at my side.

Your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope. (Refrain)

You have set me a banquet of love in the face of hatred, crowning me with love beyond my power to hold. (Refrain)

Surely your kindness and mercy follow me all the days of my life. I will dwell in the house of my God forevermore. (Refrain)

*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 Wes Avram

First Scripture Reading Psalm 23 Michael Hegeman

Second Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 13:12-13 David Wood

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon What's Next? The Importance of Resonance David Wood

Special Music Allegretto from Piano Trio in d-minor op. 11 Fanny Mendelssohn

Daga Suchon Hobbs, violin • Wesley Skinner, cello

Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler, piano

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 Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith is Firm No. 731

1 Give thanks for those whose faith is firm when all around seems bleak: on God's good promise they rely, so while they live and when they die how forcefully they speak: the strong, who once were weak! 2 Give thanks for those whose hope is clear, beyond mere mortal sight:
who seek the city God has planned, the true, eternal promised land, and steer on toward that light, a beacon ever bright.

3 Give thanks for those whose love is pure, a sparkling precious stone: they show by what they say and do an inward beauty, warm and true, for God's concerns they own: God's love through them is known.

4 Give thanks for saints of ages past and saints alive today: though often by this world despised, their hearts by God are richly prized. Give thanks that we may say we share their pilgrim way.

*Charge & Benediction

David Wood

***Sending Music**

Fantasia in g-minor Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler, organ J. G. Müthel

*Please rise.



Psalm 23

A psalm of David

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters,
- 3 he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake.
- 4 Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
- 6 Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

1 Corinthians 13:12-13

- 12 For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.
- 13 And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

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About Our Guest Preacher

David served as the Senior Minister of Glencoe Union Church from 2009-2023; he retired this past February and now lives in Waldoboro, Maine, with his wife, Jennifer. They have three grown children and one grandchild. In 1984, David was ordained into the Christian ministry by the American Baptist Churches, USA and served congregations in Maine, Kentucky, France, and Connecticut. As the Associate Director of the Louisville Institute (1998-2001) he collaborated with the Religion Division of Lilly Endowment in the designing and funding of programs to support and strengthen the practice of ministry in North America. From 2002-2009, he served as the Coordinator of Lilly Endowment's "Transition into Ministry Program," in which thirty-seven congregations were funded to establish two-year residency programs for newly ordained ministers. For several years David worked as a consultant to the John Templeton Foundation in developing programs intended to cultivate a more robust conversation between religion and science in the life of congregations. Currently, he serves as the Co-Director of a four-year Lilly Endowment project, "From Relevance to Resonance: Exploring the Practices of Transcendence in Ministry and Congregational Life."

From Solomon's plea to Jesus' cry on the cross, the Bible seems to be a singular document of human pleading, begging and praying, waiting and hoping, whispering and shouting for an answer. And one might also add that its response to all of this pleading is a single great promise: There is one who hears you, who understands you, who can find ways and means of reaching you and responding to you.

~ from Resonance: A Sociology of Our Relationship to the World, by Hartmut Rosa. (p. 261)



Ushers are Jane Linville, Renee & Jed Schenck, Mark Steel, and Gene Wade; Head Usher is Robert Armstrong.

The Flowers are given by Jane & John Chapman in celebration of their 62nd wedding anniversary.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following members & friends:

- For Eileen, who is battling cancer;
- For Robby, recovering from an accident;
- For all my children and grandchildren;
- For my sister, Mary, and her family, as they mourn the loss of their husband/father;
- For Rebecca, having complicated back surgery;
- For Phyllis, for back healing;
- For Karen, with aggressive breast cancer;
- For David;
- For Irma, who fell and fractured her C2;
- For Gene, having surgery for tongue cancer;
- For David, for cancer treatments;
- 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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