

# Welcome

**PINNACLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Sunday, October 22, 2023 | 10:00 am  
20th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

*Yoruba Lament*  
Benjamin Sidoti, organ

Fela Sowande

Lighting of the Candles

Chelsea Garzolini

Words of Welcome

Wes Avram

Call to Worship

Michael Hegeman

\*Opening Hymn

*God of Grace, God of Glory*

No. 307

1 God of grace and God of glory,  
on thy people pour thy power;  
crown thine ancient church's story;  
bring its bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the facing of this hour,  
for the facing of this hour.

2 Lo! the hosts of evil round us  
scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!  
From the fears that long have bound us  
free our hearts to faith and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the living of these days,  
for the living of these days.

3 Cure thy children's warring madness;  
bend our pride to thy control;  
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,  
rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,  
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

4 Save us from weak resignation  
to the evils we deplore.  
Let the gift of thy salvation  
be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
serving thee whom we adore,  
serving thee whom we adore.

Prayer of Adoration

Chelsea Garzolini

Call to Confession

Leah Quarles

Common Confession and Assurance (unison)

Leah Quarles

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) *Rain Down*

No. 48 (twice)

Rain down; rain down;  
Rain down your love on your people.  
Rain down; rain down;  
Rain down your love, God of life.

\*Passing of the Peace

Leah Quarles

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

Children's Message

Leah Quarles

Children pre-K-8th Grade leave for Church School.  
9th-12th Grade Youth will remain in worship with their families.  
Nursery is 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

*For He is Our Peace*  
Chancel Choir, Ilona Kubiacyk-Adler, director  
Benjamin Sidoti, piano

Philip Stopford

*For this cause I bow my knee  
unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
of whom the whole family  
in heaven and earth is named.*

*That he would grant you,  
according to the riches of his glory,  
to be strengthened with might  
by his Spirit in the inner man;*

*That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith,  
that ye being rooted and grounded in love,  
may be able to comprehend with all saints,  
what is the breadth and length and depth and height.*

*And to know the love of Christ,  
which passeth knowledge,  
that ye might be filled with the fullness of God.  
For he is our peace, who hath made both one.*

\*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 Readings**

Selected

Wes Avram

Reader: The Word of the Lord.  
All: Thanks be to God.

**Sermon**

Wes Avram

**Special Music**

*Beautiful City*

S. Schwartz

Thomas Strawser, soloist • Ilona Kubiacyk-Adler, piano

*Out of the ruins and rubble, out of the smoke,  
Out of our night of struggle, can we see a ray of hope?  
One pale thin ray, reaching for the day...*

*We can build a beautiful city,  
Not a city of angels, but we can build a city of man.*

*We may not reach the ending, but we can start  
Slowly but truly mending, brick by brick, heart by heart.  
Now, maybe now, we start learning how.*

*When your trust is all but shattered,  
When your faith is all but killed,  
You can give up, bitter and battered,  
Or you can slowly start to build.*

**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**

*All Who Love and Serve Your City*

No. 351

- 1 All who love and serve your city,  
all who bear its daily stress,  
all who cry for peace and justice,  
all who curse and all who bless:
- 2 In your day of wealth and plenty,  
wasted work and wasted play,  
call to mind the word of Jesus,  
“You must work while it is day.”
- 3 For all days are days of judgment,  
and the Lord is waiting still,  
drawing near a world that spurns him,  
offering peace from Calvary’s hill.
- 4 Risen Lord, shall yet the city  
be the city of despair?  
Come today, our judge, our glory.  
Be its name “The Lord is there!”

**\*Charge & Benediction**

Wes Avram

**\*Sending Music**

Toccata from *Suite Gothique* op. 25  
Benjamin Sidoti, organ

Léon Boëllmann

\*Please rise.

## Welcome New Members

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Tyler & Cynthia Cobb	<i>Reaffirmation of Faith</i>
Heidi Glodowski	<i>Reaffirmation of Faith</i>
Kyle & Patricia Jensen (children Zadie, Lia, Gwendolyn)	<i>Confession of Faith</i>
Stacy Mattingly (child Ciana)	<i>Reaffirmation of Faith</i>
William McManus & David Nelson	
Robert Sabino & Katerina Christhilf	<i>Reaffirmation of Faith</i> <i>Confession of Faith</i>

## About the Music

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Fela Sowande (1905-1987) was a Nigerian organist and composer who studied and taught in Nigeria, London (England), and in the US. In his compositions Sowande frequently incorporated folk songs and spirituals of Yoruba culture, the largest ethnic group in Nigeria. Composed in 1955, Yoruba Lament symbolizes the lamentation of the Yoruba people over the enduring impacts of imperialism, colonialism, and the Atlantic slave trade.

## Notes of Interest

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**Ushers** are Kaaren Gotwals, Michelle & Gary Holcomb, David LeMoine, Tom Oyan, and Ben White; **Head Usher** is Sherrie LeMoine.

**The Flowers** are given by Ken Woodrow & Marilyn Woodrow in memory of Nancy Woodrow.

Today's Common Confession comes from *Maria Ware (1798)*

***If you have a prayer concern today and would like someone to pray for you, please go to the front of the Sanctuary, and Ruth O'Brien, a Stephen Minister, will be available to pray for you and your concerns.***

## Prayer Requests

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Please pray for the following members & friends:

- For Drew, for healing from a failed kidney operation;
- For our mission partners in Bethlehem, and for vulnerable Palestinians and Israelis;
- For those displaced & injured by war;
- For my family in Tel Aviv, in the Israeli army;
- For Ruth, Richard, Kelly, Pat, Carolyn, & Lori, going through cancer treatments;
- For John, who is fighting colon cancer;
- For Jerry, who is overcoming addiction;
- 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.

To add your prayer requests to the Pinnacle prayer list, please email [prayer@pinnaclepres.org](mailto:prayer@pinnaclepres.org) or call 480.585.9448.

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