

Welcome

PINNACLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, January 14, 2024 | 10:00 am
2nd Sunday of Epiphany

Prelude

Yoruba Lament
Benjamin Sidoti, organ

Fela Sowande

Lighting of the Candles

Words of Welcome

Leah Quarles

Call to Worship

Precious Lord, Take My Hand
Pinnacle Men's Quartet

No. 834

***Opening Hymn**

Be Thou My Vision

No. 450

**1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.**

**2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower;
raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.**

**3 Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;
thou, mine inheritance, now and always;
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.**

**4 High King of Heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.**

***Prayer of Adoration**

Call to Confession

Leah Quarles

Litany of Common Confession and Assurance

Leah Quarles

One: O loving God,

All: to turn away from you is to fall,

One: to turn toward you is to rise,

All: and to stand before you is to abide forever.

One: Grant us, dear God,

All: in all our duties your help;

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One: in all our uncertainties your guidance;

All: in all our dangers your protection;

One: and in all our sorrows your peace;

All: forgive us, renew us, direct us, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(silence)

One: So strengthened, may we live in hope, a yearning people praying for a world in need.

All: May we live in grace, a faithful people working for a world in peace.

One: May we live in love, a broken people revealing your healing spirit.

All: That we may rise with you in a world made new, to whom we pray one God now and forever.

One: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel, in Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

***Congregational Response (unison)**

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

No. 582

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

**World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

***Passing of the Peace**

Leah Quarles

One: The peace of our Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Children's Message

Michael Hegeman

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

Let Everything That Hath Breath
Chancel Choir, Ilona Kubiacyk-Adler, director • Jonathan Lang, piano

Jeffery Ames

*Sing unto the Lord a new song.
Sing unto the Lord all the earth.
Declare His glory among the nations.
Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord!*

*Magnify the Lord with me and exalt His name together.
Hallelujah, bless His name for He's worthy to be praised.
Clap your hands all ye people. Shout with a voice of triumph!
For the mighty Lord is great and greatly to be praised.
Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord!*

*Come on and praise, let's all praise His name,
Give Him the highest praise!
Praise Him with the timbrel, praise Him with the dance.
Stand up on your feet and just lift up holy hands.
Sing "Hallelujah," praise His holy name.
For the Lord is worthy to be praised!*

Let's praise the Lord!

*Doxology (*Kremser*) (unison)

No. 612, vs. 1

**We praise you, O God,
our Redeemer, Creator;
in grateful devotion
our tribute we bring.
We lay it before you;
we kneel and adore you;
we bless your holy name;
glad praises we sing.**

*Prayer of Dedication

Erik Khoobyarian

Scripture Reading

Romans 1:7-16a

Wes Avram

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

Sermon

Something Personal

Wes Avram

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.

1 I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Refrain:

Here I am, Lord.
Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

2 I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?
(Refrain)

3 I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send?
(Refrain)

***Charge & Benediction**

Wes Avram

***Sending Music**

Fantasia in g-minor
Ilona Kubiacyk-Adler, organ

J. G. Müthel

*Please rise.

Today's Common Confession is adapted from a prayer of St. Augustine.

Romans 1:7-16a

7 To all in Rome who are loved by God and called to be his holy people:

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

Paul's Longing to Visit Rome

8 First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is being reported all over the world. 9 God, whom I serve in my spirit in preaching the gospel of his Son, is my witness how constantly I remember you 10 in my prayers at all times; and I pray that now at last by God's will the way may be opened for me to come to you.

11 I long to see you so that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to make you strong— 12 that is, that you and I may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith. 13 I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that I planned many times to come to you (but have been prevented from doing so until now) in order that I might have a harvest among you, just as I have had among the other Gentiles.

14 I am obligated both to Greeks and non-Greeks, both to the wise and the foolish. 15 That is why I am so eager to preach the gospel also to you who are in Rome.

16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile.

New Revised Standard Version Updated (NRSV)

Notes of Interest

Ushers are Kathe & Doug Drake, Judy & JD Helms, Shelly & Tom McCahan, John Thompson, and Mary Upchurch;
Head Usher is Robert Armstrong.

Hospitality team members are Mary Kuentler, and Mary Lou & Dale Mercer.

Gratitude for the cookie baking team members who help make Sunday hospitality so delicious: Marian Adcock, Cate Bossard, Pat Elkington, Sherry Gamble, Emily Garzolini, Kaaren Gotwals, Nancy Holloran, Mary Kuentler, Sherri LeMoine, Mary Lou Mercer, Linda Moorhead, Claudia Neal, Jill Neitzke, Michelle Rogers, Kim Schaller, Renee Schenck, Jeanne Seabold, Karen Seduski, Dawn Sheaffer, Christine Schild, Vicki Watts, Catherine Weekley, and Suzanne Wertz.

Pinnacle Men's Quartet members are Rob Gotwals, Rod Houston, Brady Larson, and George O'Connell.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following members & friends:

- For Kerri, to recover from double mastectomy;
- For Shane, deployed overseas;
- For a 45-year-old, on life support following a cardiac episode;
- For the family of Ray, as they mourn his loss;
- For those struggling with mental health;
- For Liana, battling cancer;
- For Roselyn, recovering from hip surgery;
- For Jackie's brother, with brain cancer;
- For Irene, Roger, and Rebecca;
- For Margie, for an upcoming surgery and recovery;
- 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 or call 480.585.9448.

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