



# Welcome

**PINNACLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Sunday, January 21, 2023 | 10:00 am

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

**Prelude**

*Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier*  
(Dearest Jesus, We Are Here) BWV 730 & 731  
Patrick Rice, organ

J. S. Bach

**Lighting of the Candles**

Chelsea Garzolini

**Words of Welcome**

Wes Avram

**Call to Worship**

Wes Avram

**\*Opening Hymn**

*For All the Saints*

No. 326

1 For all the saints who from their labors rest,  
who thee by faith before the world confessed,  
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;  
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;  
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

3 O blest communion, fellowship divine!  
We feebly struggle; they in glory shine;  
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

4 And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,  
steals on the ear the distant triumph song,  
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

5 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,  
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,  
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

**\*Prayer of Adoration**

Chelsea Garzolini

**Call to Confession**

Leah Quarles

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**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;**

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**

Wes Avram

Children pre-K-5th Grade leave for Church School.  
6th-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

*I Will Sing With the Spirit*  
Chancel Choir, Lorraine Brugh, director • Jonathan Lang, piano

John Rutter

*I will sing with the spirit,  
I will sing with the spirit:  
Alleluia.*

*And I will sing with the understanding also:  
Alleluia.*

\*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**

Revelation 21:1-14, 22-24

Wes Avram

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

**Sermon**

*All in All*

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.**

**Anthem**

*O Love*

Elaine Hagenberg

Chancel Choir, Lorraine Brugh, director • Jonathan Lang, 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.*

Service for the Conclusion of a Pastoral Call

*A Litany of Grace and Thanksgiving*

Presbytery Partner

Terry Palmer

Joining sisters and brothers in the Presbytery of the Grand Canyon, let us pray for the saving presence of our living Lord:

In your world,

All: **be present, Lord.**

In this congregation,

All: **be present, Lord.**

In this community,

All: **be present, Lord.**

In this presbytery and the whole church,

All: **be present, Lord.**

In the homes and hearts of all your people,

All: **be present, Lord.**

Clerk of Session

Mark Leinweber

Joining sisters and brothers in this congregation,  
let us pray for the mercy of the Lord:

For work begun but not completed,

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

For expectations not met,

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

For wounds not healed,

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

For gifts not shared,

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

For promises not kept,

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Let us pray with thanksgiving to the Lord, for our journey together in this place:

For friendships made,

for joys celebrated

and for times of nurture and growth,

All: **thanks be to God.**

For wounds healed,  
expectations met,  
gifts given and promises kept,  
All: **thanks be to God.**

For our fellowship in Jesus Christ,  
and for the love of God, which has sustained us,  
All: **thanks be to God.**

### ***Conclusion of the Call***

Presbytery Partner

Do you, the members and friends of Pinnacle Church,  
release Wes Avram from service as your pastor?  
All: **We do with thanks to God.**

Do you, Wes Avram, recognize and accept the completion  
of your ministry with this congregation?  
One: *I do with thanks to God.*

Let us pray:

Loving God, Alpha and Omega,  
you are both beginning and end.  
Our endings and our beginnings  
are rooted in your love.  
Whether near or far,  
we are held close by your love,  
and kept safe from any lasting loss.  
Let our time together end with your blessing.  
Touch all memories with your grace and peace.  
Help us to live with courage and gladness  
in the future you present us.  
In every time and place,  
may we offer you our highest and our best;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

With thanks to God  
for the ministry of this congregation  
and the ministry of God's servant Wesley,  
and with hope for God's abiding grace  
in the years to come,  
this pastoral relationship is now concluded.

Clerk of Session

Wes, Lynne, Andrew and Paul,  
May you always know our gratitude and our love.  
With God's help and love may your lives be blessed  
and your labors fruitful as you offer yourselves gladly  
in the service of our common Lord.  
**Amen.**

### ***Blessing and Charge***

The Pastor

Wes Avram

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord be kind and gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor  
and give you peace.  
All: **Amen.**

Num. 6:24–26

### **\*Closing Hymn**

*Go To the World!*

No. 295

1 Go to the world! Go into all the earth.  
Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth,  
baptizing as the sign of our rebirth.  
Alleluia. Alleluia.

2 Go to the world! Go into every place.  
Go live the word of God's redeeming grace.  
Go seek God's presence in each time and space.  
Alleluia. Alleluia.

3 Go to the world! Go struggle, bless, and pray;  
the nights of tears give way to joyous day.  
As servant church, you follow Christ's own way.  
Alleluia. Alleluia.

4 Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,  
for I am with you till the age shall end,  
when all the hosts of glory cry "Amen!"  
Alleluia. Alleluia.

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**\*Charge & Benediction**

Wes Avram

**\*Blessing**

*Go Forth into the World in Peace*  
Chancel Choir, Lorraine Brugh, director • Patrick Rice, organ

John Rutter

*Go forth into the world in peace;  
Be of good courage;  
Hold fast that which is good;  
Render to no one evil for evil;  
Strengthen the fainthearted, support the weak;  
Help the afflicted; honor all people;  
Love and serve the Lord,  
Rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.  
And the blessing of God Almighty,  
The Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost,  
Be upon you and remain with you forever.  
Amen.*

**\*Sending Music**

*Final* from Sonata op. 42 No. 1  
Patrick Rice, organ

A. Guilmant

\*Please rise.

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

# Scripture

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## Revelation 21:1-14, 22-24

### A New Heaven and a New Earth

21 Then I saw “a new heaven and a new earth,” for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. 2 I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. 4 ‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death’ or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.”

5 He who was seated on the throne said, “I am making everything new!” Then he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.”

6 He said to me: “It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water without cost from the spring of the water of life. 7 Those who are victorious will inherit all this, and I will be their God and they will be my children. 8 But the cowardly, the unbelieving, the vile, the murderers, the sexually immoral, those who practice magic arts, the idolaters and all liars—they will be consigned to the fiery lake of burning sulfur. This is the second death.”

### The New Jerusalem, the Bride of the Lamb

9 One of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and said to me, “Come, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb.” 10 And he carried me away in the Spirit to a mountain great and high, and showed me the Holy City, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God. 11 It shone with the glory of God, and its brilliance was like that of a very precious jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. 12 It had a great, high wall with twelve gates, and with twelve angels at the gates. On the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel. 13 There were three gates on the east, three on the north, three on the south and three on the west. 14 The wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

22 I did not see a temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. 23 The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and the Lamb is its lamp. 24 The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their splendor into it.

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## About Our Guest Musicians

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Dr. Lorraine Brugh, the former Pinnacle Artist in Residence. She is Senior Research Professor of Music at Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Indiana. Prior to retirement in 2020 she served as Professor of Music, University Organist, Director of Chapel Music, held the Kruse endowed chair in church music, directed the church music program and the Kantorei, VU's chapel choir.

Patrick Rice is in his first year of doctoral studies in organ performance with Prof. Kimberly Marshall at ASU. He started his music education at Southern Adventist University in Collegedale, TN, and completed his masters degree at the Prins Claus Conservatorium in Groningen, Netherlands.

## Notes of Interest

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**Ushers** are Linda Bobier, Nancy Conover, Mary & Chuck Goldthwaite, and Adam Rogers; **Head Usher** is Tim Erion.

## Prayer Requests

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Please pray for the following members & friends:

- For Jerre, to recover from hip surgery;
- For Jason, undergoing a kidney transplant;
- For Mateo, a high schooler diagnosed with leukemia;
- For Abel, a teenage refugee with medical conditions;
- For Brian & Lili;
- For a mother struggling with alcohol abuse disorder;
- For Elsa, diagnosed with metastatic breast cancer;
- For Bill, for resolution of infection and knee surgery;
- For Dennis, for continued recovery from a stroke;
- For Sandy, battling ovarian cancer;
- For Mia, having an adrenalectomy;
- 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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