

PINNACLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, January 28, 2024 | 10:00 am 4th Sunday after Epiphany

Prelude Pastorale César Franck

Benjamin Sidoti, organ

Lighting of the Candles Ciana Mattingly

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn O Word of God Incarnate No. 459

1 O Word of God incarnate,
 O Wisdom from on high,
 O Truth unchanged, unchanging,
 O Light of our dark sky:
 we praise you for the radiance
 that from the hallowed page,
 a lantern to our footsteps,
 shines on from age to age.

2 The church from you, dear Savior, received this gift divine; and still that light is lifted on all the earth to shine. It is the chart and compass that, all life's voyage through, amid the rocks and quicksands still guides, O Christ, to you.

3 O make your church, dear Savior,

 a lamp of purest gold
 to bear before the nations
 your true light, as of old;

 O teach your wandering pilgrims

 by this our path to trace,
 till, clouds and storms thus ended,
 we see you face to face.

Prayer of Adoration Ciana Mattingly

Call to Confession Leah Quarles

Common Confession and Assurance (unison)

Leah Quarles

God of all creation, we confess our sin before you. Recognizing that you created us in your image, help us to live into that image. Forgive us that we might be ones who are transformed to love your world more deeply. Now hear our silent prayers of confession. (silence)

*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

Erik Khoobyarian

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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Stewardship Moment

George Colberg

Stewardship Hymn

On Our Way Rejoicing





Offertory

Musical Offering

O Lord, How Manifold Are Your Works
Chancel Choir, Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler, director • Benjamin Sidoti, organ

Alfred V. Fedak

Bless the Lord, O my soul!
O Lord my God, you are truly very great;
You are clothed with honor and with majesty.
You cover yourself with light as with a garment,
And stretch forth the heavens like a curtain.
O Lord my God, how manifold are your works!

In wisdom you have made them all;
The earth is full of your riches.
May the glory of the Lord endure forever.
O Lord, rejoice in your works.
I will sing to the Lord as long as I live,
and sing praise to my God while I have breath.
May God be pleased with my meditation.
I will always be glad in the Lord.

Bless the Lord, O my soul!

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 Mark 10:46-52 Erik Khoobyarian

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

His Mercy is More Thomas W. Strawser, soloist • Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler, piano

What love could remember no wrongs we have done?
Omniscient, all-knowing, he counts not their sum.
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore;
Our sins, they are many, his mercy is more.

What patience would wait as we constantly roam?
What Father, so tender, is calling us home?
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor;
Our sins, they are many, his mercy is more.

What riches of kindness he lavished on us.

His blood was the payment, his life was the cost.

We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford;

Our sins, they are many, his mercy is more.

Praise the Lord! His mercy is more; Stronger than darkness, new ev'ry morn. Our sins, they are many, his mercy is more.

Sermon On Our Way Erik Khoobyarian

Silent Reflection

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 Together We Serve No. 767

1 Together we serve,
united by love,
inviting God's world to the glorious feast.
We work and we pray
through sorrow and joy,
extending God's love to the last and the least.

2 We seek to become
a beacon of hope,
a lamp for the heart and a light for the feet.
We learn, year by year,
to let love shine through
until we see Christ in each person we meet.

3 We welcome the scarred, the wealthy, the poor, the busy, the lonely, and all who need care. We offer a home to those who will come, our hands quick to help, our hearts ready to dare.

4 Together, by grace,
we witness and work,
remembering Jesus, in whom we grow strong.
Together we serve
in Spirit and truth,
remembering love is the strength of our song.

*Charge & Benediction Erik Khoobyarian

*Sending Music Danza española Ramón Noble Calvert Johnson, organ

*Please rise.



Mark 10:46-52

Blind Bartimaeus Receives His Sight

46 Then they came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples, together with a large crowd, were leaving the city, a blind man, Bartimaeus (which means "son of Timaeus"), was sitting by the roadside begging. 47 When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"

48 Many rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"

49 Jesus stopped and said, "Call him."

So they called to the blind man, "Cheer up! On your feet! He's calling you." 50 Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus.

51 "What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asked him.

The blind man said, "Rabbi, I want to see."

52 "Go," said Jesus, "your faith has healed you." Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.

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About Our Organist

Internationally acclaimed concert organist, Dr. Calvert Johnson of Atlanta, is known for his championing of excellent music from all corners of the world. He is the Charles A. Dana Professor Emeritus of Music and College Organist Emeritus, Agnes Scott College, and retired Organist, First Presbyterian, Marietta, Georgia. Johnson has performed in Japan, Mexico, Honduras, and throughout the USA and Europe, including Germany, Malta, Amman (Jordan), and Jerusalem. He has recorded for Albany, Calcante, Fleur de Son, and Raven labels. He is known for his performances of early music and music by composers from under-represented groups.

Motes of Interest

Ushers are Robert Armstrong, Carol Baker, Jane Linville, Suzanne Moon, and Eugene Wade; **Head Usher** is Robert Slegers.

The Flowers are given by Linda & Bill Fritts in celebration of our anniversary and in thankfulness for God's abundant blessings in our lives.

Hospitality team members are Kaaren Gotwals 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 Kuenstler, 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, and Suzanne Wertz.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following members & friends:

- For my best friend's mother, diagnosed with small cell lung cancer;
- For Keri & children, navigating a divorce;
- For Ryan, settling his mother's estate;
- For George, having knee replacement;
- For my father, in the hospital;
- 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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