

Welcome

PINNACLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, May 5, 2023 | 10:00 am

6th Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Let All Things Now Living
Gracie Smith, organ

arr. L. Larson

Sinte

traditional rhythm from Guinea
arr. M'Bemeba Bangoura

Youth Drums Ensemble (on djembes), Sonja Branch, director
Dethie Sarr Diouf, soloist

Lighting of the Candles

Kailer Smith

Words of Welcome

Erik Khoobyarian, Michael Hegeman, & Leah Quarles

Introit

Ndaga

traditional rhythm from Senegal

Youth Drums Ensemble (on sabar drums), Sonja Branch, director
Dethie Sarr Diouf, soloist

*Call to Worship

George Jones

Leader: God speaks peace to the faithful,
To those who turn to God in their hearts.

All: Surely salvation is at hand for those who fear God.

Leader: Where God dwells, steadfast love and faithfulness meet.

**All: Faithfulness springs up from the ground and
righteousness looks down from the sky. God gives what
is good and we respond with abundant praise!**

*Opening Hymn

Open Your Mouth and Praise the Lord!

No. 640

Leader: Open your mouth and praise the Lord!

All: Praise the Lord: the Lord is good!
Clap your hands; O clap your hands!
Clap your hands: the Lord is good!
Dance to God; O dance to God!
Dance to God: the Lord is good!
Praise the Lord; O praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord: the Lord is good!

Kyle Green

*Call to Confession

Serenna Zingg

***Common Confession**

Gracious God, you call us to step out in faith, trusting in you for all things. We respond to your command but then sink in doubt and fear. Forgive us, we pray, when we confess with our lips, but do not believe in our hearts. Help us to practice our faith in all circumstances. Though we are distracted by noise all around, allow our hearts to hear your voice. *(silence for personal confession)*

***Assurance of Pardon**

Amira Thomas

***Congregational Response:**

Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord!

No. 390

Praise, praise, praise the Lord!
Praise God's holy name. Alleluia!
Praise God's holy name. Alleluia!
Praise God's holy name. Alleluia!

***Passing of the Peace**

Kailer Smith

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

Children's Message

Caroline Jones & Ciana Mattingly

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

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.

Offering

Brooke Davis

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Offertory

We Are Blessed

by Andrea Ramsey

Chancel Choir, Ilona Kubiacyk-Adler, director
Youth Drums Ensemble, Sonja Branch & Thomas Strawser, directors
Dethie Sarr Diouf, guest artist

*Come on down, rain, come on down,
Come on down, rain, and water this ground.
Come on down, rain, clean and cold,
Come on down, rain, and water my soul.*

*We are blessed by God.
We are blessed with good friends.
We are blessed by our families.
We are blessed, we are blessed.*

*Come on down, rain, come on down,
Come on down, rain, and water this ground.
Come on down, rain, clean and cold,
Come on down, rain, and water my soul.*

*We are blessed with rest.
We are blessed with sweet dreams.
We are blessed with a bed to sleep in.
We are blessed, we are blessed.*

*Come on down, rain, come on down,
Come on down, rain, and water this ground.
Come on down, rain, clean and cold,
Come on down, rain, and water my soul.*

*We are blessed with hope.
We are blessed with freedom.
We are blessed to have food to eat.
We are blessed, we are blessed.*

*Doxology (*Lasst uns erfreuen*, No. 609)
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

*Prayer of Dedication

Matt Sidoti

Scripture Reading

Matthew 14:22-33

Ciana Mattingly
Pew Bible, p. 16

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Student Testimonies

Ben Sidoti, Laurel Davis,
Audrey Hart, Lily Rogers, & Henry Wessel

Musical Reflection

Ave Maria

by J. S. Bach / Ch. Gounod
Gracie Smith, soprano • Benjamin Sidoti, piano

Common Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Alexa Michelin

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.

Introduction of 2024 Confirmation Class

Teddy Gann, David Moxley, & Henry Wessel

Senior Commissioning

Brandon Huenemann

*Closing Hymn

We Are Marching in the Light of God

No. 853

**1. We are marching in the light of God;
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching in the light of God;
we are marching in the light of God.**

2. We are dancing . . .

3. We are praying . . .

4. We are singing . . .

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*Charge & Benediction

Reagan Everton & Brandon Huenemann

*Sending Music

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

by Léon Boëllmann

*Please rise.

Scripture

Matthew 14:22-33

Jesus Walks on the Water

22 Immediately he made the disciples get into a boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. 23 And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, 24 but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. 25 And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. 26 But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. 27 But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

28 Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." 29 He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. 30 But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" 31 Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" 32 When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. 33 And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

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About the Music

We welcome Dethie Sarr Diouf as our guest musician. Dethie was born in Bargny, Senegal, into the Lebou ethnic group. He carries on his family's generations-long legacy in sabar drumming, performing for every manner of ceremony and celebration in his village. He is a G ew el, one responsible for knowing all of the rhythms of his ethnic group and the family histories of all who live in Bargny. Pape now lives in Los Angeles, where he is in demand as a teacher, performer, drum repair specialist, and dance class accompanist.

Notes of Interest

Ushers are Kaaren Gotwals, Bruno Kmiec, Leon Kmiec, David LeMoine, Ben White and Katelyn Wise; **Head Usher** is Sherrie LeMoine.

The Flowers are given by Estelle & Gene Wade in celebration of our 63rd wedding anniversary.

Youth Musicians are Kyle Green, Audrey Hart, Ciana Mattingly, Benjamin Sidoti, Matt Sidoti, Gracie Smith, & Sarah White. They have worked hard to prepare and share their music with you under the guidance of Sonja Branch, Thomas Strawser, and Ilona Kubiaczyk-Adler.

Preschool Church School leader is Brooke Harper.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following members & friends:

- For Michelle's dad and her family;
- For Luke, to see his daughter graduate;
- For my mother's heart to get stronger;
- For stomach related issues;
- For a successful teacher certification exam;
- For Illana, to have a healed pancreas;
- For healing from a dermatology procedure;
- For Linda, as she mourns the loss of Norm;
- 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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