

Welcome

PINNACLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, May 12, 2024 | 10:00 am
7th Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Après un Rêve, Op. 7
Songs My Mother Taught Me
Wesley Skinner, cello • Ilona Kubiacyk-Adler, piano

by Gabriel Fauré
by Antonin Dvořák

Lighting of the Candles

Leon Kmiec

Words of Welcome

Introit

A Joyful Ring
Children's Handbell Ensemble, Thomas Strawser, director

by B. Kinyon

***Call to Worship**

Leon Kmiec

***Opening Hymn**

Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth

No. 7

**Mothering God, you gave me birth
in the bright morning of this world.
Creator, source of every breath,
you are my rain, my wind, my sun.**

**Mothering Christ, you took my form,
offering me your food of light,
grain of life, and grape of love,
your very body for my peace.**

**Mothering Spirit, nurturing one,
in arms of patience hold me close,
so that in faith I root and grow
until I flower, until I know.**

***Call to Confession**

Michael Hegeman

***Common Confession**

Gracious God, we confess that often we do not live in a way that reflects your love. Forgive this sin in our lives and guide us back to you, so that we may be tuned to love your world more deeply. In receiving your forgiveness, may we turn from sin and toward your love. *(silence for personal confession)*

***Assurance of Pardon**

Praise, praise, praise the Lord!
Praise God's holy name. Alleluia!
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***Passing of the Peace**

One: The peace of our Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Children's Message

Pastor Leah

Sacrament of Baptism

Riley Rae

Leah Quarles

Elder Joanne McDowell

Child of Stephanie & Nicholas Bender

Grandchild of Bruce Bender & Merry Cole Bender

Baptism Hymn

Baptized in Water

No. 482

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

Offering

Michael Hegeman

For those joining us online, you may make your donation by texting
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Offertory

For Everyone Born

arr. T. Trenney

Chancel Choir, Ilona Kubiacyk-Adler, director
Jonathan Lang, piano • Wesley Skinner, cello

*For everyone born, a place at the table,
for everyone born, clean water and bread,
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,
for everyone born, a star overhead,*

Refrain:

*And God will delight when we are creators of justice
and joy, compassion and peace:
yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice,
justice and joy!*

*For woman and man, a place at the table,
revising the roles, deciding the share,
with wisdom and grace, dividing the power,
for woman and man, a system that's fair, (Refrain)*

*For young and for old, a place at the table,
a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
the hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled,
for young and for old, the right to belong, (Refrain)*

*For everyone born, a place at the table,
to live without fear, and simply to be,
to work, to speak out, to witness and worship,
for everyone born, the right to be free, (Refrain)*

*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

Michael Hegeman

Scripture Reading

1 John 4:7-21

Pew Bible, p. 241

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Song of Preparation *Behold What Manner of Love*

by Patricia Van Tine

**Behold, what manner of love the Father has given unto us.
Behold, what manner of love the Father has given unto us.
That we should be called the children of God,
That we should be called the children of God.**

Sermon

Knowing God

Erik Khoobyarian

Silent Reflection

Common Prayer & Lord's Prayer

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.

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling;
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion;
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation;
enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit
into every troubled breast;
let us all in thee inherit;
let us find the promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty, to deliver;
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee:
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

***Charge & Benediction**

Erik Khoobyarian

***Sending Music**

Toccata in C BWV 545
Ilona Kubiacyk-Adler, organ

by J.S. Bach

*Please rise.

Scripture

1 John 4:7-21

God Is Love

7 Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. 8 Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. 9 God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. 10 In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 11 Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. 12 No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us, and his love is perfected in us.

13 By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. 14 And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. 15 God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. 16 So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. 17 Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. 18 There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. 19 We love because he first loved us. 20 Those who say, "I love God," and hate a brother or sister are liars, for those who do not love a brother or sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen. 21 The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

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Notes of Interest

Ushers are Colby Barrett, Rick Hess, Teren Huntley, Kurt Lawrence, Greg Sharp, Mark Steel, & John Trautman; **Head Usher** is Adam Rogers.

The Flowers are given by Karen & Jerry Gallivan in honor of Eileen Mazzullo.

Hospitality hosts are Renee & Jed Schenck & Susan Williams.

Children's Handbell Ensemble members are Olive Bailey, Otilia Bailey, Aubrey Dubay, Connor Dubay, Chelsea Garzolini, Vincent Garzolini, Gwendolyn Jensen, Lia Jensen, Zadie Jensen, Rose Kilbridge, Annabelle Ranson, and Nayla Thomas.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following members & friends:

- For the family of Bob R., as they mourn his loss;
- For Dion, whose meds have resulted in low blood pressure;
- 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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