

Order of Worship

August 24, 2025 ~ 10:00 am

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome

We are delighted that you have joined us for worship this morning. Hymnals and Bibles may be found under the pew in front of you.

The asterisk (*) in the order of worship indicates when the congregation may stand.

Mission

Pilgrim Congregational Church is an independent community of Christian faith, which glorifies God through worship and service to others, respects individual spiritual growth, and inspires compassionate fellowship.

Vision

Pilgrim is the spiritual home of our community where all people are welcomed, known, and loved.

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"All prayer requests are kept confidential"

Prelude

"Andante Cantabile"

Pyotr Ilych Tchaikovsky

"Elevation in Bominor"

Dom Paul Benoit

Carolyn Wilson, viola and Bruce Jones, piano

Hymn #731*

"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

AUSTRIA

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn

Parish Concerns

Dr. Horn

Call to Worship

Dr. Horn

Introit

"Surely the Presence of the Lord"

Lanny Wolfe

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this holy place.

I can feel his mighty power and his grace.

I can hear the brush of angels' wings,

I see glory on each face;

surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

Invocation* Mr. Ron Vanyo

Living God, You formed us in the womb and appointed us to be prophets to the nations. Stretch out Your hand to cure our infirmity and dispel our fear, that we may know the freedom of serving You in Christ and proclaim the wonders You have done. Amen.

Gloria Patri*

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Lesson One Luke 13:10-17 Mr. Vanyo

¹⁰Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. ¹¹And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. ¹²When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." ¹³When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. ¹⁴But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." ¹⁵But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? ¹⁶And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" ¹⁷When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing. (*New Revised Standard Version*)

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Blessing of the Backpacks

Dr. Horn and Rev. Heather Miner

(The youth are invited to attend Sunday School following the Lord's Prayer.)

The Lord's Prayer

Mr. Vanyo

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

"Come to God"

Jean-Baptiste Faure

Carolyn Wilson, mezzo-soprano

Verse 1

O'er all the way, green palms and blossoms gay, Are strewn this day in festal preparation, Where Jesus comes, to wipe our tears away, E'en now the throng to welcome him prepare;

Chorus

Join all, and sing, His name declare, Let ev'ry voice resound with acclamation Hosanna! Praised be the Lord! Bless Him, who cometh to bring us salvation!

Verse 2

His word goes forth, and peoples by its might, Once more regain freedom from degradation, Humanity doth give to each his right, While those in darkness find restored the light,

Chorus

Verse 3

Sing and rejoice, oh, blest Jerusalem, Of all thy sons sing the emancipation, Through boundless love, the Christ of Bethlehem, Brings faith and hope to thee forever more,

Chorus

Pastoral Prayer and Silent Prayer

Dr. Horn



Prayer Response Danish

Amen

Offering Dr. Horn

Offertory Solo: "Consider the Lilies" John Prindle Scott

Carolyn Wilson, mezzo-soprano

Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow.

They toil no, neither do they spin, they toil not, neither do they spin.

Yet I say, say unto you, that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these, was not arrayed like one of these.

Wherefore, if God so clothed the grass of the field which today is, and tomorrow is cast into the oven, shall He not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith, O ye of little faith?

Take therefore no thought for the morrow:

for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself.

Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof, is the evil thereof.

But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness;

and all these things shall be added unto you, and all these things shall be added unto you. Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow.

Doxology Hymn and Dedicatory Prayer *

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below, Praise God above ye heavenly host, Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Hymn #430* "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee" MARYTON

Lesson Two Jeremiah 1:4-10 Mr. Vanyo

⁴Now the word of the Lord came to me saying, ⁵"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." ⁶Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." ⁷But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you, ⁸Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord." ⁹Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. ¹⁰See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

(New Revised Standard Version)

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Sermon "Over Nations and Over Kingdoms"

Dr. Horn

Hymn #698*

"God of the Ages"

NATIONAL HYMN

Benediction*

Dr. Horn

Congregational Response*

"God Be with You"

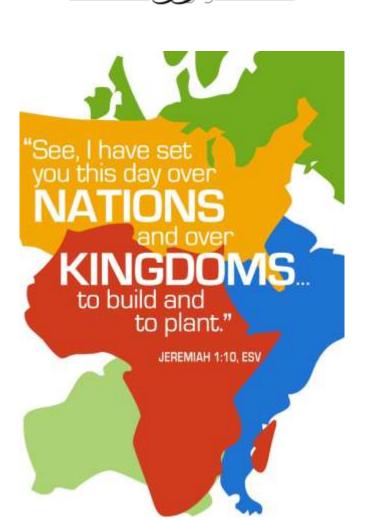
Hymn #672

God be with you till we meet again, By His counsels guide, uphold you, With His sheep securely fold you, God be with you till we meet again.

Postlude

"Sing a New Song" Susan Winckler, organist Mary McDonald

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Thank you for joining us today for worship service! Please join us for fellowship following the service.

Today's Theme: Seek First the Kingdom of God

Color: Green

Hymn Leaders: Betsy Bowering and Nancy Rodewald

Organists: Bruce Jones and Susan Winckler

Videographer: Bill Parnell and Andrew Olson

Flower Dedications: This morning's flowers are lovingly and thoughtfully provided by

Janet Beech:

"I love Pilgrim, Pilgrim loves me... And so we make, A perfect family!"

Boutonnieres: Our Boutonnieres for August are thoughtfully provided: "With Blessings for the opportunity to worship at Pilgrim Congregational Church each and every Sunday."

Liturgical Notes by Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn: Green symbolizes growth and life, hope and anticipation. Green is used in Ordinary time, the period of the Church calendar which gives attention to the Lord's life and ministry; it reminds us that the mission of the Church is to love the world and share the hope of Christ.

Meeting & Event Reminders

9:00 am, Morning Devotional (online M-F)

Today

9:00 am, Gather and Greet

Tuesday, August 5th

5:45 pm to 6:45 pm, Twilight Bible Study (online and Minister's office)

Wednesday, August 6th

8:00 am, Rummage Sorting

Thursday, August 7th 10:00 am, Joyful Endeavors

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