

Order of Worship

January 18, 2026 ~ 10:00 am

Second Sunday after the Epiphany

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.

Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn, Senior Minister

Rev. Heather Miner, Associate Minister

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Send your prayer request to the Band of Prayer
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“All prayer requests are kept confidential”

Prelude

“Were You There”
 “Swing Low, Sweet Chariot”
 “Sometimes I Feel like a Motherless Child”
 Carolyn Wilson, viola; Susan Wincker, organ

SPIRITUAL
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Hymn #533*

“We Shall Overcome”
 (verses 1-4)

MARTIN

Welcome

Rev. Heather Miner

Parish Concerns

Rev. Miner

Call to Worship

Dr. Horn

Introit

“Let All the Earth Sing Praise, Alleluia”

Antonio Vivaldi
 arr. Hal Hopson

All the earth sing praise, sing praise to God alone.
 Songs of joy be lifted. Alleluia.

Invocation*

Rev. Miner

Steadfast God, You have enriched and enlightened us by the revelation of Your eternal Christ. Comfort us in our mortality and strengthen us to walk the path of Your desire, so that by word and deed we may manifest the gracious news of Your faithfulness and love. 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

Psalm 40:1-11

Rev. Miner

¹I waited patiently for the LORD; he inclined to me and heard my cry.

²He drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.

³He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear and put their trust in the LORD.

⁴Happy are those who make the LORD their trust, who do not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after false gods.

⁵You have multiplied, O LORD my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you. Were I to proclaim and tell of them, they would be more than can be counted.

⁶Sacrifice and offering you do not desire, but you have given me an open ear. Burnt offering and sin offering you have not required.

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Lesson One (continued)

⁷Then I said, “Here I am; in the scroll of the book it is written of me.

⁸I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart.”

⁹I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; see, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O LORD.

¹⁰I have not hidden your saving help within my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation; I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.

¹¹Do not, O LORD, withhold your mercy from me; let your steadfast love and your faithfulness keep me safe forever. (*New Revised Standard Version*)

Youth Message

Rev. Miner

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

The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Miner

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

“Good News!”

arr. Moses Hogan

Refrain: Good news, chariot's comin', good news, chariot's comin'.

Good news, chariot's comin' an' I don' want it to leave me behind.

There are long white robes in the heaven I know,
an' I don' want it to leave me behind.

Refrain

There are starry crowns in the heaven I know
an' I don' want it to leave me behind.

Refrain

There are silver slippers in the heaven I know
an' I don' want it to leave me behind.

Refrain

Pastoral Prayer and Silent Prayer

Dr. Horn

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Prayer Response

“Lord in Your Mercy, Hear Our Prayer”

Lord, in Your Mercy, Hear Our Prayer.

Amen. Amen.

Richard Farrant

arr. Hal Hopson

Offering

Dr. Horn

Offertory Solo:

“He Cares For Me”

Janelle Perez, soprano

Words and Music by Martin Green

There are times I'm happy, other times are sad.
Life can sometimes challenge me, but that's not
really bad. I know I'll have trials, things to
overcome. But I know there's someone watching
over me. He loves me, my Savior.

He cares for me, He cares for me.
He knows me as only He can see.
When I am weak, His tender love I seek.
In Him I find a strength I never knew could be.
His care for me is dear to me.
It leads me to where I want to be.
And all of my life through the cares and the
strife. I will never lose my way.
Because I know He cares for me.

Some may say I'm different, things I do and say.
They don't understand me when I choose another
way. But deep down inside me, there's a little
voice. Telling me there's someone watching over
me. He loves me, my Savior

He cares for me, He cares for me.
He knows me as only He can see.
When I am weak, His tender love I seek.
In Him I find a strength I never knew could be.
His care for me is dear to me.
It leads me to where I want to be.
And all of my life through the cares and the
strife. I will never lose my way.
Because I know He cares for me.

He cares for me eternally.
Forever, I know He cares for me.
He shares His love so freely from above.
I know he's there and I can feel his love for me.

He cares for me eternally
And someday another place I'll be.
I'll turn to the light.
I'll gaze in His eyes and His arms will open
wide. Because I know He cares for me.

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 #474*

“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

PRECIOUS LORD

Lesson Two

John 1:29-42

Rev. Miner

²⁹ The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! ³⁰This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ ³¹I myself did not know him, but I

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Lesson Two (continued)

came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.”³² And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him.³³ I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’³⁴ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Chosen One.”³⁵ The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples,³⁶ and as he watched Jesus walk by he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!”³⁷ The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.³⁸ When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?”³⁹ He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon.⁴⁰ One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother.⁴¹ He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed).⁴² He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter). (*New Revised Standard Version*)

Sermon

“We Have Found the Messiah”

Dr. Horn

Hymn #519*

“Lift Every Voice and Sing”
(verses 1 and 2)

LIFT EVERY VOICE

Benediction*

Dr. Horn

Congregational Response*

“God Be with You”

Hymn #672

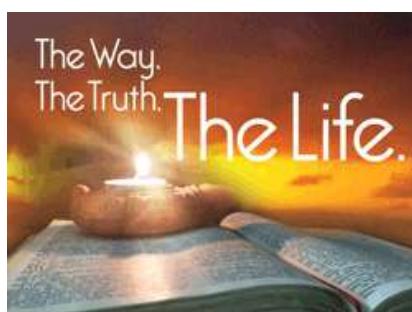
God be with you till we meet again, By His counsels guide, uphold you,
With His sheep securely fold you, God be with you till we meet again.

Postlude

“Postlude Toccata and Fanfare”
Bruce Jones, organist

for Martin and John
by Bruce Jones

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

Today's Theme: Andrew tells Simon Peter about Jesus

Color: White

Organists: Bruce Jones and Susan Winckler

Videographers: Bill Parnell, Andrew Olson and Dane Vose

Flower Dedications: This morning's flowers are thoughtfully and lovingly provided by Sharon Willison: "May our Lord bless this Church and all who worship here."

Boutonnieres: Boutonnieres for January are provided by Betsy Kinder: "For the love of Pilgrim Congregational Church."

Liturgical Notes by Dr. Patrick Horn: White symbolizes purity, innocence, and birth. It is associated with the brightness of the heavens during daytime and thus it was used to symbolize the purity of heaven and the angels. It also came to be associated with joy, celebration, and peace. White is the liturgical color of Christmas, Epiphany, and Easter.

Meeting & Event Reminders

9:00 am, Morning Devotional

Today

11:30 am, Meeting Sunday

11:30 am, Choir Rehearsal

4:00 pm, MLK Marketplace

6:00 pm, MLK Celebration

Monday, January 19th

Our office will be closed in Observance of MLK Day

Tuesday, January 20th

5:45 pm, Twilight Bible Study
(online and Minister's Office)

Wednesday, January 21st

9:00 am, Rummage Sorting

Thursday, January 22nd

10:00 am to Noon, Joyful Endeavors

Sunday, January 25th

11:30 am, Annual Budget Meeting
1:30 pm, Trustees Meeting

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