



Order of Worship

March 1, 2026 ~ 10:00 am

Second Sunday in Lent

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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Rev. Heather Miner, Associate Minister

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Need a Confidential Prayer?

Send your prayer request to the Band of Prayer

saintshedd@roadrunner.com

“All prayer requests are kept confidential”

Prelude

“Prelude in C minor”
Susan Winckler, organist

Norman Phillip Hart

Hymn #98*

“To God Be the Glory”

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

Welcome

Rev. Heather Miner

Parish Concerns

Rev. Miner

Call to Worship

Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn

Introit

“This Is the Time for Worship”

Robert M. Boberg

This is the time for worship. This is the time for prayer.

Let us seek to live by truth and faith. God is always there.

Invocation*

Rev. Miner

God of amazing compassion, lover of our wayward race, You bring to birth a pilgrim people, and call us to be a blessing for ourselves and all the world. We pray for grace to take Your generous gift and step with courage on this holy path, confident in the radiant life that is Your plan for us, made known and given in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

Romans 4:1-5; 13-17

Rev. Miner

¹What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh?

²For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. ³For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” ⁴Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. ⁵But to one who does not work but trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.¹³For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law, neither is there transgression.

¹⁶For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace, so that it may be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”), in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. (*New Revised Standard Version*)

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Youth Message

Dr. Horn

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

The Lord's Prayer

Dr. Horn

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

"A Light Shines in the Darkness"

Michael John Trotta

The light shines in the darkness,
The darkness has not overcome it.
You will never walk in darkness,
But will have the light of life.
Arise, shine; for thy light is come,
And the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.
John 1: 5, 8:13, & Isaiah 60: 1

Pastoral Prayer and Silent Prayer

Dr. Horn

Prayer Response

"He Gave His Life"

Spanish Folk Song

He gave His life; He died for me.
To Him be praise and glory.
Worthy is the Lord. Amen.

Offering

Rev. Miner

Offertory Solo:

"My Father Watches over Me"
Steve O'Donnell, tenor

W.C. Martin/C.H. Gabriel

I trust in God wherever I may be
Upon the land or on the rolling sea,
For, come what may, from day to day,
My heav'nly Father watches over me.

I trust in God, I know He cares for me,
On mountain bleak or on the stormy sea
Tho' billows roll, He keeps my soul,
My heav'nly Father watches over 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.

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Hymn #593*

“Here I Am, Lord”

HERE I AM, LORD

Lesson Two

Genesis 12:1-4a

Rev. Miner

¹Now the LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. ²I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

⁴So Abram went, as the LORD had told him. (*New Revised Standard Version*)

Sermon

“All the Families of the Earth”

Dr. Horn

Hymn #159*

“Lift High the Cross”

CRUCIFER

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

“Lift High the Cross”

arr. Bruce Jones

Bruce Jones, organist

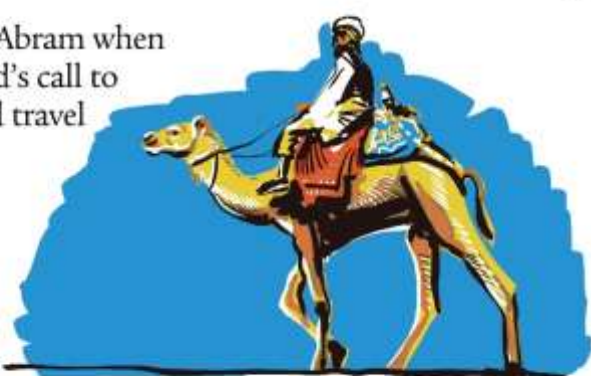
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Bible Quiz

How old was Abram when he followed God's call to leave Haran and travel to a new land?

- A. 25
- B. 50
- C. 75
- D. 100



Answer: C (See Genesis 12:4.)



THE PROMISE

that he would inherit the world

DID NOT COME

to Abraham or to his descendants

THROUGH THE LAW

but through the

**RIGHTEOUSNESS
OF FAITH.**

ROMANS 4:13, NRSV

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

Today's Theme: God's Plan for the Whole World

Color: Purple

Organists: Bruce Jones and Susan Winckler

Videographers: Bill Parnell, Andrew Olson and Dane Vose

Flower Dedications: This morning's flowers are lovingly and thoughtfully provided by Janet Beech: "Pilgrim is Family. We are so lucky!!"

Boutonnieres: Our Boutonnieres for March are provided: "In appreciation to ALL who so generously dedicate their time, talents, and treasures to Pilgrim Congregational Church."

Liturgical Notes by Dr. Patrick Horn: **Purple** was originally associated with royalty because it was a more expensive color to dye, and it was used to welcome the coming of a king. It also evokes pain and suffering. Purple symbolizes fasting, faith, patience, and trust. It is the liturgical color used during the seasons of penance, Advent, and Lent. For Advent, purple symbolizes the impending birth of Jesus while foreshadowing his death.

Meeting & Event Reminders

9:00 am, Morning Devotional

Today

9:00 am to 9:45 am, Bible Study in the Parlor

Monday, March 2nd

11:30 am, Living Faith Bible Study

Tuesday, March 3rd

10:00 am, Auxiliary Meeting

11:30 am, Program and Lunch

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

Wednesday, March 4th

9:00 am, Rummage Sorting

7:00 pm, Church Council Meeting

Thursday, March 5th

10:00 am to Noon, Joyful Endeavors

Friday, March 6th

6:00 pm, Young Adult Dinner & God Talk

Saturday, March 7th

3:00 pm, All Church Game Day &

5:00 pm, Youth Coffee Night

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