



Order of Worship

October 25, 2026 ~ 9:45 am

Twenty-second 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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Need a Confidential Prayer?

Send your prayer request to the Band of Prayer

saintshedd@roadrunner.com

“All prayer requests are kept confidential”

Prelude

“Even When He Is Silent” Kim Andre Arnesen
 (arr. for Elaine Huang to welcome her to the Pilgrim Choir)
 “Shadows in the Hallway Behind the Pipes” Bruce Jones
 Bruce Jones, organist

Hymn #581*

“Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service” BEACH SPRING

Welcome

Rev. Heather Miner

Parish Concerns

Rev. Miner

Call to Worship

Rev. Dr. Patrick Horn

Introit

“Walk in the Ways of the Lord”

Denis Drobinski

Walk in the ways of the Lord,
 I will walk in the ways of the Lord
 Walk in the ways and rejoice!

Invocation*

Mr. Jon Olson

Almighty God, Your Son has shown us how to love one another. May our love for You overflow into joyous service and be a healing witness to our neighbors through 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

Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17

Mr. Olson

¹Lord, you have been our dwelling place
 in all generations.

²Before the mountains were brought forth
 or ever you had formed the earth and the world,
 from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

³You turn us back to dust
 and say, “Turn back, you mortals.”

⁴For a thousand years in your sight
 are like yesterday when it is past
 or like a watch in the night.

⁵You sweep them away; they are like a dream,
 like grass that is renewed in the morning;

⁶in the morning it flourishes and is renewed;
 in the evening it fades and withers.

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Lesson One (continued)

... ¹³Turn, O LORD! How long?

Have compassion on your servants!

¹⁴Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,
so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

¹⁵Make us glad as many days as you have afflicted us
and as many years as we have seen evil.

¹⁶Let your work be manifest to your servants
and your glorious power to their children.

¹⁷Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us
and prosper for us the work of our hands—

O prosper the work of our hands! (*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

"By Night"

Elaine Hagenberg

Deep in the tarn the mountain
A mighty phantom gleamed,
She leaned out into the midnight,
And the summer wind went by,
The scent of the rose on its silken wing
And a song its sigh.
And, in depths below, the waters
Answered some mystic height,
As a star stooped out of the depths above
With its lance of light.
And she thought, in the dark and the fragrance,
How vast was the wonder wrought
If the sweet world were but the beauty born
In its Maker's thought. (Harriet Prescott Spofford)

Pastoral Prayer and Silent Prayer

Dr. Horn

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Prayer Response

“Vine of Heaven”

Denis Drobinski

Vine of heaven, O let us be rooted, grafted, built on Thee.
Rooted, grafted, built on Thee.

Offering

Dr. Horn

Offertory Solo

“Lord God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel!” (*Elijah*) Felix Mendelssohn
Yousef Reda, baritone

Lord God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel!
This day let it be known that Thou art God;
And that I am Thy servant!

Lord God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel!
O show to all this people
That I have done these things according to Thy word!
O hear me Lord and answer me!

Lord God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel!
O hear me and answer me;
And show this people that Thou art Lord God
And let their hearts again be turned. (1 Kings 18:36-39)

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 #375*

“There Is a Balm in Gilead”

BALM IN GILEAD

Lesson Two

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

Mr. Olson

¹You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, ²but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. ³For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, ⁴but, just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals but to please God, who tests our hearts. ⁵As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed, ⁶nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, ⁷though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. ⁸So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us. (*New Revised Standard Version*)

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Sermon

“Gentle Leadership”

Dr. Horn

Hymn #664*

“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”

THE ASH GROVE

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

“Grand Overture #4”

James Michael Stevens

Susan Winckler, organist

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A WAY TO GIVE

*Luke 6:38 - “Give, and it will be given to you; a good measure, pressed down,
shaken together, and running over.”*



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

Theme: Christian leadership is about humble, loving service

Color: Green

Organists: Bruce Jones and Susan Winckler

Videographers: Dane Vose, William Parnell, and Andrew Olson

Flower Dedication: This morning's flowers are provided with heartfelt thanks to EVERYONE who contributed to this month's successful Rummage Sale!. Jan Manildi, Judy Sanders, and Susan Newton, our co-chairs, worked many many hours. We are MOST appreciative to ALL who contributed rummage, to ALL of our Volunteers who sorted rummage and worked at the Sale, and to EVERYONE who attended. THANK YOU, very, very much!"

Boutonnieres: Our Boutonnieres for October are thoughtfully provided: "God bless our Church. May we bind closer in strength, and praise our God through Christ."

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

11:00 am, Fellowship

11:30 am, Board of Trustees Meeting

12:30 pm, New Members Class

Monday, October 26th

11:30 am, Bible Study

Tuesday, October 27th

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

Thursday, October 29th

10:00 am, Joyful Endeavors

Saturday, October 31st

3:30 pm, Trunk or Treat

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