

PILGRIM COMMUNITY CHURCH

Christ-centered. Gospel-shaped. Together for Good.

February 23, 2025

The Eighth Lord's Day of 2025

MORNING SERVICE 10:15—11:45 AM

***“You Have Caused My Companions
to Shun Me”***

Sermon Text	Mark 14:43-52
Preacher	Rev. James Bryner Chu

EVENING SERVICE 5:00—6:00 PM

“The Good Ending”

Sermon Text	Luke 1:67-80
Preacher	Bro. Johann Xie

i. Opening With Praise

PRELUDE

The Lord is in his holy temple
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Let all the earth keep silence,
Let all the earth keep silence before him
Keep silence, keep silence before him.

CALL TO WORSHIP

1 Peter 2:9-10

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy

WELCOME

OPENING SONG

Holy, Holy, Holy (#23, Trinity Psalter)

1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

2. Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy
sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

3. Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee
perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky
and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
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ii. Confessing Our Sins

SCRIPTURE READING

Joel 2:12-13

“Yet even now,” declares the Lord, “return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments.” Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster.

THE DECALOGUE

You shall not have more gods than me
Before no image bow the knee
Take not the name of God in vain
Nor dare the Sabbath to profane
Give both your parents honor due
Take heed that you no murder do
Abstain from words and deeds unclean
Nor steal though you are poor and mean
Nor make a willful lie nor love it

What is your neighbor's do not covet

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Our Father, forgive our sins. Forgive the sins that we remember, and the sins we have forgotten. Forgive our many failures in the face of temptation, and those times when we have been stubborn in the face of correction. Forgive the times we have been proud of our own achievements and those when we have failed to boast in your works. Forgive the harsh judgments we have made of others, and the leniency we have shown to ourselves. Forgive the lies we have told to others, and the truths we have avoided. Forgive us the pain we have caused others and the indulgence we have shown ourselves. Lord God, have mercy on us and make us whole. In Jesus Christ, our Savior's name, Amen.

iii. Giving Thanks for God's Mercies

OFFERTORY

Bank Account	BPI Checking Account
Account Name	PILGRIM COMMUNITY CHURCH, INC.
Account Number	4441-0047-24

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Regular Sunday Activities

Sunday School	9:00AM
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Afternoon Activities

Lord's Day	Activities	Time
1 st & 3 rd	Men's and Women's Group	2:00PM
2 nd	Prayer Gathering	3:00PM
4 th	Read-Through & Discussion	2:00PM
1 st , 3 rd & 4 th	Afternoon Prayer	4:45PM

Monthly South Service'

Lord's Day	Venue	Time	Contact
1 st & 3 rd	Toyota Bicutan	3:21PM	David / Reggie

Coram Deo Group (CDG) Schedules

Day	Venue	Time	Contact
Mon	Teens (Online) One Ayala Makati	5:30PM 6:00PM	Byron Ross
Tue	SM Aura Xaverville	12:00NN 6:00PM	Reimon James
Wed	BGC	7:00PM	Justine
Thu	Eastwood, QC	7:00PM	Aia
Fri	Academy (Online) South	7:00PM 7:30PM	Gerard Reggie
Sat	Pilgrim Center SM Marikina	3:00PM 3:00PM	Jed Glenn / Gio

Brazilian Jiu-jitsu Classes

Day	Venue	Time	Contact
Fri	Center	3:00PM	Alex

Pilgrim Choristers

Day	Venue	Time	Contact
2 nd & 4 th	Center	6:30PM	Joi / Charlet

PASTORAL PRAYER

iv. Hearing the Word

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 14:43-52

SERMON

*You Have Caused My Companions
to Shun Me*

Rev. James Bryner Chu

1. Betrayed and deserted by his closest friends
[Unfriend]
2. Let the scriptures be fulfilled
[Unshaken]
3. What a friend we have in Jesus
[Unfailing]

v. Giving Thanks for God's Grace

COMMUNION HYMN

Behold the Lamb

Verse 1

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away
Slain for us, and we remember
The promise made that all who come in faith
Find forgiveness at the cross
So we share in this bread of life,
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of peace
Around the table of the King.

Verse 2

The body of our Savior Jesus Christ,
Torn for you. Eat and remember;
The wounds that heal,
The death that brings us life
Paid the price to make us one.
So we share in this bread of life,

And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of love
Around the table of the King

Verse 3

The blood that cleanses ev'ry stain of sin
Shed for you, drink and remember,
He drained death's cup that all may enter in
To receive the life of God.
So we share in this bread of life,
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of grace
Around the table of the King.

Verse 4

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise
To respond and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ
As His body here on earth.
As we share in His suffering
We proclaim Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of Heav'n
Around the table of the King.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.

vi. Confessing Our Faith **Athanasian Creed (Part 3)**

This is what the catholic Faith teaches: The Father is made of none, neither created, nor begotten. The Son is of the Father alone, not made, nor created, but begotten. The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made, nor created, nor begotten, but proceeding. So there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits. And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater, or less than another. But the whole three Persons are co-eternal together, and

co-equal. So that in all things, the Unity in Trinity, and the Trinity in Unity is to be worshipped. Whoever will be saved must thus think of the Trinity. AMEN.

vii. Closing with Praise

CLOSING SONG

What a Friend We Have in Jesus (#520 Trinity Psalter)

1 What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and
griefs to bear!

What a privilege to carry ev'rything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain
we bear,

all because we do not carry ev'rything to God in
prayer.

2 Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble
anywhere?

We should never be discouraged: take it to the Lord
in prayer!

Can we find a friend so faithful, who will all our sorrows share?

Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness—take it to the Lord in prayer!

3 Are we weak and heavy-laden, cumbered with a load of care?

Precious Savior, still our refuge—take it to the Lord in prayer!

Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!

In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a solace there.

BENEDICTION

DOXOLOGY

Psalm 117

All nations, praise the LORD! all peoples in accord his glory raise!

PILGRIM COMMUNITY CHURCH

Strong is his love for us, and the Lord's faithfulness
stands firm from age to age!
O praise the LORD! Amen.

EVENING SERVICE

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PRELUDE

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CALL TO WORSHIP

Micah 7:18-20

Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love. He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea. You will show faithfulness to Jacob and steadfast love to Abraham, as you have sworn to our

fathers from the days of old.

OPENING SONG

Great is Thy Faithfulness (#245, Trinity Psalter)

1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Chorus Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy
faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see:
All I have needed thy hand hath provided—
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

2 Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

ii. Confessing our Sins

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 130:3-4

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

O Lord, we openly admit that you know us thoroughly. Our deepest secrets are open before you. You know our thoughts before they are conceived in our minds. We cannot hide from you. Therefore, we ask that you discover unto us our sins so that we may humble ourselves again in your presence and seek your

forgiveness and grace. We admit we have tolerated sinful thoughts about power, lust, greed, jealousy, malice and other things that grieve your heart. We have committed sins of omission and commission. But we seek your mercy and cleansing from our sins by the blood of Christ. And we thank you for your Spirit who enables us to walk in holiness and obedience. Give us the grace to please you this day and forever. In Jesus' name, Amen.

iii. Giving Thanks for God's Mercies

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

iv. Hearing the Word

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 1:67-80

SERMON

The Good Ending

Bro. Johann Xie

1. God keeps His word [vv. 67-75]
2. God prepares His work [vv. 76-80]

v. Giving Thanks for God's Grace

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

vi. Confessing Our Faith

NICENE CREED (325AD and 381AD)

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation, came down from Heaven, and became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man; he was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate, and suffered, and was buried, and the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again in glory to judge the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church; we acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins; we

look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

vii. Closing With Praise

CLOSING SONG

O God Beyond All Praising (#24, Trinity Psalter)

1 O God beyond all praising, we worship You today
and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;
For we can only wonder at every gift You send,
at blessings without number and mercies without end:
We lift our hearts before you and wait upon Your Word,
we honour and adore You, our great and mighty Lord.

2 The flow'r of earthly splendor in time must surely die,
its fragile bloom surrender to You, the Lord Most High;
But hidden from all nature the eternal seed is sown—
though small in mortal stature, to heaven's garden
grown:
For Christ, the man from heaven, from death has set us
free,

and we through him are given the final victory.

3 Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring,

that we who know Your favor may serve You as our King;

And whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,
we'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless You still:

To marvel at Your beauty and glory in Your ways,
and make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

BENEDICTION

DOXOLOGY

Now blessed be the LORD our God, the God of Israel,
For he alone doth wondrous works, in glory that excel
And blessed be his glorious name to all eternity:
The whole earth let his glory fill. Amen, so let it be.



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THE PILGRIM VISION

We exist to cultivate Christ-centered communities where the Gospel shapes lives and missions together for the good of the city, the nation, and the world.

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