

OCTOBER 7, 2001

**Order for the Worship of God**  
**October 7, 2001**  
**9:30 and 11:00 a.m.**

*The Christian Year: Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost*

**Preparation for Worship**

"Choral"  
Colin Howland, *Organ*

*Joseph Jongen*

**Call to Worship**

The Rev. Joseph Ryan

**Minister:** Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant and coming in the likeness of men.

**People:** **And being found in the appearance of a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.**

**Minister:** Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name,

**People:** **That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.**

Philippians 2.5-11

**\*Hymn of Adoration No. 127** "All Praise to Christ"

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**\*Prayer of Adoration**

**\*The Confession of Faith**

The Gospel of Jesus Christ is the "Gospel of the Kingdom:—the good news of God's universal dominion, which includes the Kingdom of Grace within us in the here and now, and the Kingdom of Glory that is coming, when the Kingdom of Grace will be universally perfected. **God's Kingdom is opposed by Satan's kingdom, but the promise of the gospel is that God will destroy all that the devil and this cursed world stand for,** and that the Son of God, to whom all authority is given in heaven and in earth, will deliver the souls of His elect people from slavery to sin and to Satan. **The Kingdom of the eternal future will become a reality when Jesus Christ returns to judge the world and gather His people. In the meantime, we affirm that "Thy will be done" is the meeting point of earth and heaven.** As the angels in heaven do God's will sincerely, willingly, fervently, quickly and constantly, always giving God their very best, **so does the child of God strive to do His Father's will under all circumstances, believing in the infinite kindness and goodness of our heavenly King, and relying fully upon His Holy Spirit to work in them to will and to do according to His good purpose.**

**\*Hymn of Praise No. 699** "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

REGENT SQUARE

**Public Confession**

**O Lord Most High, we confess that we have often tried to please You with our righteousness, instead of pleading the righteousness of Christ. We have tried to cleanse our sins by becoming better Christians, rather than receiving forgiveness through Your blood. We have constructed idols for pleasure and for ambition, and have not been joyful in Your presence, nor**

rested in Your accomplishment. We have sought our nourishment in vain activities and in setting our own course, instead of trusting in Your daily provision. Merciful Father, continue to purge our darkened hearts with the light of Your gospel. Help us not to fear the cleansing work of Your Spirit, but make us eager for it, delight in it, and rejoice with unspeakable joy that we are being conformed to the image of Your dear Son, our Savior Jesus Christ.

#### **Private Confession**

**Song of Assurance**

"Before the Throne of God"

*Vikki Cook*

#### **Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer**

The Rev. David Rea 9:30  
The Rev. Elliott Greene 11:00

#### **Musical Offering**

"Alleluia"

*Randall Thompson*

#### **\*The Greeting of Peace**

Minister: Now in Christ Jesus, we who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ, for He Himself is our peace. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **And also with you.**

**The Service of Friendship**

*If you are seated on the left end of the pew, please take the Service of Friendship pad, fill out the information and pass it down. When it arrives at the other end of the pew, pass it back, taking note of those who are seated in your row.*

**Introduction of New PCPC Staff - 2001**

The Rev. Rob Allen, *Executive Pastor*

Trey Hill, *Coordinator of West Dallas Fellowship*  
Jerry Gibson, *Coordinator of World Missions*  
Mary Jo Dancer, *Director of Preschool and Elementary Ministries*  
Bonnie Thurmond, *Reformed University Fellowship/College Intern*

*PCPC Interns*

Jake Yohannan      Brannin Pitre  
Rocky Freeman      Caleb Dunn

*Singles Ministry Apprentices*

Lee Bridgeman      Courtney Bawcom  
David Stotts      Susan Kahill

**\*The Scripture Reading**      Matthew 9.35-10.40      Charlotte Medley  
Barbara Ryan, Thomas Duke  
Joanne Kersten, John Greenfield

**The Morning Sermon** "Kingdom Priority—King's Promise"      Dr. Ryan  
*"The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field."* Matthew 9.37-38

**\*Closing Hymn No. 741**      "The Battle Is the Lord's!"      LEONI

**\*Benediction**

**Minister:** May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**People:** THANKS BE TO GOD! AMEN!

**Postlude**      "Te Deum"      Jean Langlais

*If you desire to know more about Jesus Christ, or wish prayer for any reason, please come to the Parlor (Room 205) located next to the Information Center, following the worship service where Elders and Prayer Leaders will be available to pray with you.*

*Do you have a question about PCPC or want to find a Sunday School Community? Following each service, please come to the Information Center located in the south hallway of the building adjacent to the sanctuary. "Ask Me" volunteers are also available at every entrance to assist you.*

*The flowers in our worship services this morning are given to the glory of God and in honor of Annabelle Alexander, mother of Barbara Jackson and Claudia Potts.*

*The flowers in the south foyer this morning are given to the glory of God from the wedding of Amy Leigh Williamson and Scott Bryce Martinez in celebration of their marriage and union in Christ.*

**\*The Congregation stands.**