

PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

July 7, 2002

9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

The Christian Year: Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Preparation for Worship

Dr. William Hanson, *Organ*

Call to Worship

The Rev. David Rea

Minister: We give thanks to You, Lord God Almighty, who is and who was, for You have taken Your great power and begun to reign.

People: **Great and amazing are Your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty! Just and true are Your ways, O King of the nations! Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify Your name?**

Revelation 11.17; 15.3-4

*Hymn of Adoration No. 29 "O Worship the King"

LYONS

*Prayer of Adoration

*Hymn No. 517

"The Solid Rock"

SOLID ROCK

*Confession of Faith

Westminster Confession of Faith, Chapter 14

By faith a Christian believes whatever is revealed in the Word to be the true, authentic, authoritative statement of God Himself. By this faith the believer also acts according to what particular passages in the Word say. By faith the believer humbly submits to and obeys God's various commands. He trembles at God's awesome threats and eagerly embraces His promises about this life and the life to come.

This faith has different degrees of strength and weakness. It may often, and in many ways, be assailed and weakened, but it gains the victory. It matures in many to the attainment of a full assurance through Christ, who is both the Author and the Perfecter of our faith. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits!

*The Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
O praise Him, O praise Him.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Public Confession of Sin

O God of grace, You have imputed my sin to my substitute and have imputed His righteousness to my soul, clothing me with a bridegroom's robe, decking me with jewels of holiness. But in my Christian walk I am still in rags; my best prayers are stained with sin. I have no robe to bring to cover my sins, no loom to weave my own righteousness; I am always standing clothed in filthy garments, and by grace am always receiving change of raiment, for You always justify the ungodly. Father, forgive me, for You are always bringing forth the best robe.

Song of Confession

"O God beyond All Praising"

THAXTED

Private Confession

Intercessory/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Jack Parker
Session Elder

Musical Offering

"O How Amiable"
Deborah Waterman, Director

R. Vaughan Williams

O how amiable are Thy dwellings; Thou Lord of hosts! My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord: my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young: even Thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house: they will be always praising Thee. The glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us: prosper Thou the work of our hands upon us. O prosper Thou our handywork. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast and our eternal home.

text from Psalms 84 and 90

*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: Having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of the Lord be with you always.
People: **And also with you!**

The Service of Friendship

*The Scripture Reading

Isaiah 36.1-21
(please see below)

Jenny Aills
Carlton Wynne

The Morning Sermon

"Who Will You Trust?"

Mr. Rea

*Closing Hymn No. 43

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

EIN' FESTE BURG

*The Benediction

Minister: Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God!
From Him and through Him and to Him are all things! To Him be the glory forever!
Romans 11.33, 36

People: **THANKS BE TO GOD! AMEN!**

Postlude

Dr. Hanson

If you have a desire or a need to pray with someone in confidence for any reason, please come to the Parlor (Room 205 next to the information desk) following the worship service where Elders and Prayer Leaders will be available to pray with you.

The flowers in the south foyer are given to the glory of God from the wedding of Crystal Zaidle and Robert Barrett in celebration of their marriage and union in Christ.

*The Congregation stands.

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Today's Scripture Passages

Isaiah 36.1-21

¹ In the fourteenth year of King Hezekiah's reign, Sennacherib king of Assyria attacked all the fortified cities of Judah and captured them. ² Then the king of Assyria sent his field commander with a large army from Lachish to King Hezekiah at Jerusalem. When the commander stopped at the aqueduct of the Upper Pool, on the road to the Washerman's Field, ³ Eliakim son of Hilkiah the palace administrator, Shebna the secretary, and Joah son of Asaph the recorder went out to him. ⁴ The field commander said to them, "Tell Hezekiah, "This is what the great king, the king of Assyria, says: On what are you basing this confidence of yours? ⁵ You say you have strategy and military strength— but you speak only empty words. On whom are you depending, that you rebel against me? ⁶ Look now, you are depending on Egypt, that splintered reed of a staff, which pierces a man's hand and

wounds him if he leans on it! Such is Pharaoh king of Egypt to all who depend on him.⁷ And if you say to me, “We are depending on the LORD our God”— isn’t he the one whose high places and altars Hezekiah removed, saying to Judah and Jerusalem, “You must worship before this altar”?⁸ “Come now, make a bargain with my master, the king of Assyria: I will give you two thousand horses— if you can put riders on them!⁹ How then can you repulse one officer of the least of my master’s officials, even though you are depending on Egypt for chariots and horsemen?¹⁰ Furthermore, have I come to attack and destroy this land without the LORD? The LORD himself told me to march against this country and destroy it.”

¹¹ Then Eliakim, Shebna and Joah said to the field commander, “Please speak to your servants in Aramaic, since we understand it. Don’t speak to us in Hebrew in the hearing of the people on the wall.”¹² But the commander replied, “Was it only to your master and you that my master sent me to say these things, and not to the men sitting on the wall— who, like you, will have to eat their own filth and drink their own urine?”¹³ Then the commander stood and called out in Hebrew, “Hear the words of the great king, the king of Assyria!¹⁴ This is what the king says: Do not let Hezekiah deceive you. He cannot deliver you!¹⁵ Do not let Hezekiah persuade you to trust in the LORD when he says, ‘The LORD will surely deliver us; this city will not be given into the hand of the king of Assyria.’¹⁶ “Do not listen to Hezekiah. This is what the king of Assyria says: Make peace with me and come out to me. Then every one of you will eat from his own vine and fig tree and drink water from his own cistern,¹⁷ until I come and take you to a land like your own— a land of grain and new wine, a land of bread and vineyards.¹⁸ “Do not let Hezekiah mislead you when he says, ‘The LORD will deliver us.’ Has the god of any nation ever delivered his land from the hand of the king of Assyria?¹⁹ Where are the gods of Hamath and Arpad? Where are the gods of Sepharvaim? Have they rescued Samaria from my hand?²⁰ Who of all the gods of these countries has been able to save his land from me? How then can the LORD deliver Jerusalem from my hand?”²¹ But the people remained silent and said nothing in reply, because the king had commanded, “Do not answer him.”

Isaiah 37.5-7, 21-22, 33-38

⁵ When King Hezekiah’s officials came to Isaiah, ⁶ Isaiah said to them, “Tell your master, “This is what the LORD says: Do not be afraid of what you have heard— those words with which the underlings of the king of Assyria have blasphemed me.⁷ Listen! I am going to put a spirit in him so that when he hears a certain report, he will return to his own country, and there I will have him cut down with the sword.”...²¹ Then Isaiah son of Amoz sent a message to Hezekiah: “This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: Because you have prayed to me concerning Sennacherib king of Assyria,²² this is the word the LORD has spoken against him:³³ “Therefore this is what the LORD says concerning the king of Assyria: “He will not enter this city or shoot an arrow here. He will not come before it with shield or build a siege ramp against it.³⁴ By the way that he came he will return; he will not enter this city,” declares the LORD.³⁵ “I will defend this city and save it, for my sake and for the sake of David my servant!”

³⁶ Then the angel of the LORD went out and put to death a hundred and eighty-five thousand men in the Assyrian camp. When the people got up the next morning— there were all the dead bodies!³⁷ So Sennacherib king of Assyria broke camp and withdrew. He returned to Nineveh and stayed there.³⁸ One day, while he was worshiping in the temple of his god Nisroch, his sons Adrammelech and Sharezer cut him down with the sword, and they escaped to the land of Ararat. And Esarhaddon his son succeeded him as king.