

PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD
September 22, 2002
9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

The Christian Year: Eighteenth 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.

Please have all communication devices in silent mode. Thank you.

Preparation for Worship

"Three Dances"
Festival Brass

Anthony Holborne

Call to Worship: Joshua 1.8-9

West Dallas Community School, Grades 1-3

"Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful. Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go."

Leaders: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth!

People: **Worship the LORD with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs.**

Leaders: Know that the LORD is God. It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, the sheep of His pasture.

People: **Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name!**

Leaders: For the LORD is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations.

Psalm 100

All: **Let us worship the Lord!**

***Hymn of Adoration No. 77 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"**

LOBE DEN HERREN

***Prayer of Adoration**

***Hymn of Praise**

"God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength"

EIN' FESTE BURG
text: Martin Luther

God is our refuge and our strength, a Helper ever near us;
We will not fear though earth be moved, for God is nigh to cheer us.
Although the mountains quake and earth's foundations shake;
Though angry billows roar and break against the shore,
Our mighty God will hear us.

God's city is forever blest with living waters welling;
Since God is there she stands unmoved 'mid tumults round her swelling;
God speaks and all is peace, from war the nations cease;
The Lord of hosts is nigh, our fathers' God Most High
Is our eternal dwelling.

Behold what God has done on earth; His wrath brings desolation,
His grace, commanding wars to cease, brings peace to every nation;
Be still, for He is Lord, by all the earth adored;
The Lord of hosts is nigh, our fathers' God Most High
Is our strong habitation!

*Responsive Scripture Reading

Here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come. **For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on.** Therefore, while the promise of entering His rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it. **For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.** Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. **But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today," that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. For we share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end.** Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. **For He has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." So we can confidently say, "The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?"**

Hebrews 3:12-14; 4:1, 8, 12; 13:5-6, 14

Song of Confession "How Deep the Father's Love For Us"
Stanzas 1 and 2

Traditional

Private Confession of Sin

Song of Devotion "How Deep the Father's Love For Us"
 Stanza 3 above

Promise of the Gospel

Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death He might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and satisfy God's wrath for the sins of the people. Hebrews 2.14-15, 17b

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer Mr. Doug Horn, *Shepherding Elder* 9:30
 Mr. Harry Hargrave, *Session Elder* 11:00

Musical Offering "I Will Sing of Thy Great Mercies" *Mendelssohn*
 Nancy Heath, *Soprano*
I will sing of Thy great mercies, O Lord, my Savior, and of Thy faithfulness evermore.
 Psalm 89.1

***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. Ephesians 2.13-14

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.

Extending the Kingdom: West Dallas Community School Patti Denman

***The Scripture Reading** Joshua 1.6-9, 12-18

The Morning Sermon "God's Unlimited Provision" Dr. Ryan
"...for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1.9

***Closing Hymn** "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" *ST. ANNE*
 text: Isaac Watts, 1719

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home!

Under the shadow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone, and our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God, to endless years the same.

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guide while life shall last, and our eternal home!

***The Benediction**

Minister: Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever!

Hebrews 13:20-21

People: THANKS BE TO GOD! AMEN!

Postlude

"Fantasy in E-flat"
Mr. Colin Howland, Organ

Saint-Saens

Prayer

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 our worship services this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Robert G. Nielson on the occasion of his birthday by his wife Lois and the Nielson family.

"Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as Your servants for Jesus' sake. But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal."

2 Corinthians 4:1, 5, 7, 15, 17-18

The flowers in the south foyer this morning are given to the glory of God from the wedding of Tosha Michae Hardison and Shaun Michael Porier in celebration of their marriage and union in Christ.

***The Congregation stands.**

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Please join us every Sunday in Fellowship Hall following each worship service for fellowship and refreshments!

Park Cities Presbyterian Church exists to extend the transforming presence of the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ in Dallas and to the world.



The Philadelphia Organ Quartet
Including our own Colin Howland, founding member
Tonight in the Sanctuary at 7:00 pm