

# PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD  
December 1, 2002  
9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

*The Christian Year: First Sunday of Advent*

*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.*

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*Please program all communication devices to silent mode. Thank you.*

**Prelude**

Festival Brass

**Call to Worship**

The Rev. Joseph Ryan

**Minister:** I give You thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing Your praise;

**People:** **I bow down toward Your holy temple and give thanks to Your name for Your steadfast love and Your faithfulness, for You have exalted above all things Your name and Your Word.**

Psalm 138.1-2

**\*Hymn of Adoration No. 715 "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"**

ST. GEORGE'S, WINDSOR

**\*Prayer of Adoration**

*concluding with*

**Most high and mighty Ruler of the universe, by whom our nation has been established in freedom and preserved in union: We thank You for Your favor shown to our fathers, and Your faithfulness continued to their children; for the fidelity of men set in authority, and the peace maintained by righteous laws; for protection from outward dangers, and deliverance from inward strife; for an honorable place among the nations, and the opportunity of increasing service to the world. We give You glory, and praise, and thanksgiving, from generation to generation. Amen.**

**\*Song of Praise No. 363**

"We Gather Together"

KREMSEER

## \*The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

## \*Hymn of Praise No. 710

"God of Our Fathers"  
Stanzas: 1 and 4

NATIONAL HYMN

## Public Confession of Sin

**Our Father, although You are a holy God who cannot look upon sin, look upon Christ our Savior and forgive us for His sake. You have promised us that if we confess our sins, You are faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. We ask also that You would give us an increase of the grace of Your Holy Spirit, so that we may learn the wisdom of Your ways and walk in Your holy paths, for Your glory and the good of our neighbor.**

## Private Confession

### *Promise of the Gospel*

*Therefore having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

*Romans 5.1*

## Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

The Rev. Tim Tinsley 9:30

The Rev. Paul Settle 11:00

## Musical Offering: from Luke 1.46-56

*Trio from "Christmas Oratorio"*

*C. Saint-Saens*

Laurel Pinard, *Soprano*; Steve Williamson, *Tenor*;

Robert Adams, *Bass*; Marisa Dillahunty, *Harp*

*Tecum principium, in die virtutis tuae; in splendo ribus Sanctorum.*

My soul doth magnify the Lord: my spirit hath rejoic'd in God; for mine eyes, they have seen Thy glory.

## \*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.

*Romans 5.1*

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.*

### \*The Scripture Reading

Luke 1.46-56

**The Morning Sermon** THE FOUR SONGS OF CHRISTMAS  
"Mary's Song"

Dr. Ryan

### \*Closing Hymn No. 26 "Tell Out, My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord"

WOODLANDS

### \*The Benediction

**Minister:** The Lord make you increase and abound in love toward one another and toward all men, even as we do toward you. To the end He may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before God our Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ!

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

### Postlude

Mr. James Steel, Organ

#### **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 celebration of the seventh birthday of Zoe Grace Baker by her family.*

*The flowers in the south foyer are given to the glory of God from the wedding of Caroline Roberts Cathey and Hernan Rizo 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.**