

PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

October 19, 2003

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

The Christian Year: Nineteenth 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 turn off all communication devices. Thank you.

Preparation for Worship "The Promised Land" *arr. Carl Nygard*
High School Ensemble
Lynda Fray, *Director*; Amy Rucker, *Piano*

Call to Worship The Rev. Joseph Ryan

Minister: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever! This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!

People: **You are my God, and I will give thanks to You; You are my God; I will extol You. Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever!** Psalm 118.1, 24, 28-29

***Hymn of No. 32** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" *FAITHFULNESS*

***Prayer of Adoration**

***The Larger Catechism, Question 79**

Minister: Can true believers, by reason of their imperfections, and the many temptations and sins they are overtaken with, fall away from the state of grace?

People: **True believers, by reason of the unchangeable love of God, and His decree and covenant to give them perseverance, their inseparable union with Christ, His continual intercession for them, and the Spirit and seed of God abiding in them, can neither totally nor finally fall away from the state of grace, but are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.**

***Hymn No. 598**

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

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Sacrament of Baptism

9:30

Kennedy Anne Duke
William Rhodes Jackson
Emery Owen Koenig
Zacary Paul Samuel Meneroy, Jr.
Carson Harper Reichert
Bo Bradley Smedshammer
Benjamin Dale Smedshammer

11:00

Robert Cade Barringer
Ella Katherine Compton
Savannah Grace Davidson
Christopher Luke Oliver
Brighton Nathaniel Smith
Clark Woodward Turner
Shamus Rader Lafferty

Prayer for the Families

Mr. Bill Mabus, *Shepherding Elder* 9:30
The Rev. Elliott Greene 11:00

Song of Praise

"Before the Throne of God Above"

Vikki Cook

Prayer for Christ's Church and the World

Dr. Mark Fulmer 9:30
Mr. Stephen Nielson 11:00
Shepherding Elders

Musical Offering

"And the Father Will Dance"

Mark Hayes

Amy Rucker, *Piano*

And the Father will dance over you in joy! He will take delight in whom He loves. Is that a choir I hear singing the praises of God? No, the Lord God Himself is exulting o'er you in song! My soul will make its boast in God, for He has answered all my cries. His faithfulness to me is as sure as the dawn of a new day. Awake my soul, and sing! Let my spirit rejoice in God! Sing, O daughter of Zion, with all of your heart! Cast away fear for you have been restored! Put on the garment of praise as on a festival day. Join with the Father in glorious, jubilant song. And He will joy over you in song!

Zephaniah 3.14, 17; Psalm 34.2, 4

***The Greeting of Peace**

Minister: We are the body of Christ; in one Spirit we were all baptized in one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life. 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.

***The Scripture Reading**

James 1.1-12

Mrs. Joanne Kersten

The Morning Sermon

"Joy in Trial"

Dr. Ryan

"Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness." James 1.2-3

***Closing Hymn**

"Make Me a Captive, Lord"

DIADEMATA

Make me a captive, Lord, and then I shall be free;
Force me to render up my sword, and I shall conqu'ror be;
I sink in life's alarms when by myself I stand;
Imprison me within Thine arms, and strong shall be my hand.

My heart is weak and poor until it master find;
It has no spring of action sure—it varies with the wind;
It cannot freely move till Thou hast wrought its chain;
Enslave it with Thy matchless love, and deathless it shall reign.

***Benediction**

Minister: Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever! Revelation 7.12

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

Postlude"Symphony No. 2: Allegro"
Mr. Colin Howland, *Organ*

Louis Vierne

Personal Prayer and Counsel

Be anxious for nothing but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. Philippians 4:7

In these difficult times everyone struggles with sometimes overwhelming concerns. Give us the privilege of praying with you in complete confidence after any Sunday morning service. Meet with Elders and other prayer leaders in the Parlor (Room 205, next to the information desk) and let us pray for your needs. Our prayer leadership earnestly desires to come along side you in prayer.

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. 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 humble thanksgiving for Audrey, on the occasion of her 9th birthday, with heartfelt love by Mommy, Daddy and Sissy.

**The Congregation stands.*

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

MINISTERS

The members of this church family who, in serving their Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ, extend His Kingdom in Dallas and to the world.

Covenant College is the denominational college of the Presbyterian Church in America. As we recognize Covenant College today, pray that the college would continue to be effective in its ministry to the students it teaches, to the academic world it engages, and to the church it serves—so that the gospel and the mind of Christ may be brought to every person and glory may be brought to Christ. Pray that God would watch over the hearts and minds of the students entrusted to the college—that they would be strengthened in their faith and challenged in the classroom, with the end-result that they become courageous bearers of the gospel in a fallen world and full participants in the body of Christ.