

PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

April 25, 2004

9:30 am and 11:00 am

The Christian Year: The Second Sunday after the Resurrection

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.

Welcome and Greeting of Peace

Preparation for Worship

"Hear My Words"
Chapel Choir

Stephen Paulus

Lynda Fray, *Director*; Jason Tenpenny, *Piano*

Please sing when so directed

Call to Worship

The Rev. Joseph Ryan

Minister: Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon His name; make known His deeds among the peoples! Sing to Him; sing praises to Him; tell of all His wondrous works!

People: **Sing to the LORD, all the earth! Tell of His salvation from day to day.**

Minister: Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous works among all the peoples!

People: **For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised, and He is to be held in awe above all gods.**

1 Chronicles 16.8-9, 23-25

*Hymns of Adoration

No. 125

"Let All Things Now Living"

ASH GROVE

No. 296

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"
Stanzas: 1, 2, 3

CORONATION

*Prayer of Adoration

***Hymns of Praise**

No. 296

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"
Stanzas 4, 5, 6

CORONATION

No. 457

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

NETTLETON

Songs of Praise

"Guide Me, O Shepherd of My Heart"

O'Brien

"Before the Throne of God Above"

Cook

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 of Sin

Comfort and Promise of the Lord and His Gospel

For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that He might bring us to God. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Romans 8.1

Prayer of Intercession for Christ's Church and the World

The Rev. David Rea 9:30

The Rev. Ron Williams 11:00

Musical Offering

"Hail Thee, Festival Day!"

SALVE FESTE DIES

text: Verantius H. Fortunatus, 530-609; arr. R. V. Williams

Lo, the fair beauty of earth, from the death of the winter arising! Every good gift of the year now with its Master returns: He who was nailed to the cross is Lord and the ruler of nature; all things created on earth sing to the glory of God. Daily the loveliness grows, adorned with glory of blossom; heaven her gates unbars, flinging her increase of light: Rise from the grave now, O Lord, who art author of life and creation. Treading the pathway of death, life Thou bestowest on all. God the Creator, the Lord, who rulest the earth and the heavens, guard us from harm without, cleanse us from evil within: Jesus the health of the world, enlighten our minds, Thou Redeemer, Son of the Father supreme, only begotten of God. Spirit of life and of power, now flow in us, fount of our being, light that dost lighten all, life that in all dost abide: Praise to the Giver of good! Thou Love who art author of concord, pour out Thy balm on our souls, order our ways in Thy peace.

Please sing when so directed

*A 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!

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.

Recognition of Graduating Seniors

The Rev. Mark Davis

*The Scripture Reading

Romans 12.1-2

The Morning Sermon "Discerning God's Will-II"

Dr. Ryan

"I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."

Romans 12.1-2

*Closing Hymn No. 644 "May the Mind of Christ My Savior" Stanzas: 1, 2, 4

ST. LEONARDS

*Benediction

Minister: And the God of all grace, who called us to His eternal glory in Christ, after we have suffered a little while, will Himself restore us and make us strong, firm and steadfast. To Him be the power for ever and ever!

1 Peter 5.10-11

People: THANKS BE TO GOD! AMEN!

Postlude

Mr. Colin Howland, Organ

Personal Prayer and Counsel

"Be devoted to one another in brotherly love; give preference to one another in honor . . . rejoicing in hope, persevering in tribulation, devoted to prayer, contributing to the needs of the saints, practicing hospitality. Romans 12.10, 12, 13

We want so much to come along side you in brotherly love and hospitality by your allowing us to be in prayer for your salvation or any need you may have. Please join us in the parlor (Room 205, next to the Information Center) following the worship service where our Elders and prayer leaders are available and eager to meet with you and pray with you in complete confidence.

The flowers in our worship services this morning are given to the glory of God and in honor of Dorothy and Sinclair Ferguson.

*The Congregation stands.

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