

PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD
September 26, 2004
9:30 am and 11:00 am

The Christian Year: Seventeenth 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.

Welcome

Dr. Mark Fulmer, *Shepherding Elder*

Preparation for Worship "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" *arr. Nielson & Young*
Nielson & Young, *Duo-Pianists*

Call to Worship

The Rev. Mark Davis 9:30
The Rev. Ron Williams 11:00

Minister: Oh, sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth!

People: Sing to the LORD, bless His name; tell of His salvation from day to day. Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous works among all the peoples!

Psalm 96.1-3

***Hymn of Adoration No. 4** "All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above" *MITFREUDENZART*
Stanzas: 1, 2, 3 and 5

***Prayer of Adoration**

***The Heidelberg Catechism**

Question 1

Minister: Christian, what is your only comfort, in life and in death?

People: That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death—not to myself, but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of His own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that He protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit His purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

***Psalm 111**

"Give to the Lord Wholehearted Praise"

OLD HUNDREDTH

***Song of Praise**

"Your Hand upon Me"

Grover

Public Confession

O Lord God, Who inhabits eternity, the heavens declare Your glory, the earth Your riches, the universe is Your temple; I thank You for Your riches given to me in Jesus: for the unclouded revelation of Him in Your Word, where I behold His person, character, grace, glory, humiliation, sufferings, death, and resurrection. I come to You in the all-prevailing name of Jesus, with nothing of my own to plead, no works, no worthiness, no promises. I am often straying, often knowingly opposing Your authority, often abusing Your goodness. Impress me deeply with a sense of Your omnipresence, that You are about my path, my ways, my lying down, my end. Subdue in me the love of sin, let me know the need of renovation as well as of forgiveness, in order to serve and enjoy You forever.

Private Confession

Promise and Comfort of the Gospel of Jesus Christ

Christ Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

1 Peter 2.24-25

Prayer of Intercession for Christ's Church and the World

Mr. Davis 9:30
Mr. Williams 11:00

Psalm 112 and Isaiah 44.3 "Blessed Is the Righteous Man"

Ovid Young

Our worship services today mark the inaugural presentation of "Blessed Is the Righteous Man," a living tribute in scripture and music to the life and ministry of Dr. Robert G. Nielson, who for nearly 60 years served the Lord in Christian ministry and was a pastor at PCPC from 1991-2002. We are grateful to the composer, Ovid Young, for his extraordinary gift to the glory of God and in memory of a beloved servant of Jesus Christ.

Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who finds great delight in His commands. His children will be mighty in the land. The generation of the upright will be blest. The Spirit of the Lord will be poured on His offspring and God's blessings on His descendants. Wealth and riches are in his house and his righteousness endures forever. Even in darkness, the light dawns for the upright; that man, he is gracious, he is merciful, he is gracious and merciful and righteous. It is well with him who is gen'rous and lends freely, who conducts his affairs with justice. Surely he will never be shaken. The righteous man will be remembered forever. He will have no fear of bad news; his heart is firm, trusting in the Lord. His heart is steady; he will not be afraid; in the end he will look in triumph on his foes! He has scattered abroad His gifts to the poor; His righteousness endures forever. His horn is exalted in honor.

*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.**

Service of Friendship

Extending the Kingdom: Covenant College

Mrs. Lynda Fray
PCPC Director of Children's and Youth Choirs

*The Scripture Reading

Psalm 112

The Morning Sermon

"Who Is the Man of God?"

Dr. Niel Nielson
President, Covenant College

***Closing Hymn**

"Christ Triumphant"

QUITTING POWER
text: Michael Saward

***Benediction**

Minister: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: THANKS BE TO GOD! AMEN!

Postlude

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 Congregation stands.*

The flowers in our worship services this morning are given to the glory of God by the Nielson family in loving memory of Dr. Robert Grant Nielson on the occasion of his birthday.

Nielson & Young, Duo-Piano Artistry
in concert tonight in the sanctuary
7:00 pm