



PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

January 2, 2005

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

The Christian Year: Second Sunday after the Incarnation

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.

Preparation for Worship

Call to Worship

The Rev. Joseph Ryan

Minister: There is none like You among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like Yours.

People: **All the nations You have made shall come and worship before You, O Lord, and shall glorify Your name. For You are great and do wondrous things; You alone are God!**

Psalm 86.8-10

***Hymn of Adoration** "The Lands That Long in Darkness Lay"

DUKE STREET

text: Isaac Watts, based on Isaiah 9.2, 6-7

*Prayer of Adoration

*Confession of Faith

Belgic Confession (1561), Article 18
Of the Incarnation of Christ

We confess that God fulfilled the promise that He made by the mouth of His holy prophets when He sent into the world, at the time appointed by Him, His own only-begotten and eternal Son, who took upon Him the form of a servant, and became like unto man, really assuming the true human nature, with all its infirmities, sin excepted, being conceived in the womb of the blessed virgin Mary, by the power of the Holy Spirit, without the means of man; and did not only assume human nature as to the body, but also a true human soul, that He might be a real man. For since the soul was lost as well as the body, it was necessary that He should take both upon Him, to save both.

*Hymn of Praise No. 219 "All Praise to Thee, Eternal Lord"

CANONBURY

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

Assurance and Comfort of the Gospel of Jesus Christ

For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, that no one should boast.

Ephesians 2:8-9

Hymn of Praise "From the Squalor of a Borrowed Stable"

S. Townend

Prayer for Christ's Church and the World

The Rev. Tim Tinsley 9:30
The Rev. Ron Williams 11:00

Musical Offering

"In God We Put Our Trust"
Laurie and Taylor Hargrave, *Duet*

Sager/Foster

In God we put our trust, we neither doubt nor fear, Your promise stands secure with You, our Helper, near; hear our prayer, O Lord; guide us in Your way, lead us to this place, may we seek Your face, give us grace to live by faith. Hear our prayer O Lord, our hearts are filled with praise, lead us to this place, may we seek Your face, give us grace to live by faith. My soul is filled with joy in God my Savior, for He has lifted me and set me high. There is no holy one, no rock like our God; He will give us strength and comfort from on high.

from Psalm 56 and 1 Samuel 2

***The Greeting of Peace**

Minister: Let the peace of Christ dwell in your hearts. We were like sheep going astray, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of our souls. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

1 Peter 2.25

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: Grace Maternity Home

Mrs. Julie Hickman

***The Scripture Reading**

John 17.6-19

Mrs. Priscilla Horn
Mr. Michael Horn

The Morning Sermon

"One Word of Truth"
"... *Your word is truth.*" John 17.17

Dr. Ryan

***Closing Hymn**

"How Firm a Foundation"

FOUNDATION

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He has said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

The truth of Your word is the firm place to stand;
Your hope is secure in His righteous right hand.
One word of— truth is worth more than all gold,
For it leads you to Him, His glory behold!

***The Benediction**

Minister: Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of His glory with great joy, to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion and authority, before all time and now and forever.

Jude 24-25

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 and in thanksgiving for Robert Rucker, Colin Howland, Lynda Fray and the choirs and instrumentalists of PCPC for their leadership through glorious music every Sunday in our worship services.

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