

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

DECEMBER 11, 2005 8:00, 9:30 AND 11:00 AM

The Christian Year: Second Sunday before 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.

Please turn off all communication devices. Thank you.

Welcome

Mr. Irv Queal 8:00
Dr. Mark Fulmer 9:30/11:00

Preparation for Worship

Call to Worship

The Rev. Joseph Ryan

Minister: Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; His understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might, He increases strength.

People: Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

Isaiah 40.28-31

***Hymn of Adoration**

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

Stanzas: 1, 3 and 5

VENI EMMANUEL
text: Latin Hymn, 1710

***Prayer of Adoration**

Dr. Ryan

***Confession of Faith**

from The Nicene Creed

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and

was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

***Hymns of Praise**

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

ADESTE FIDELES
Text: Latin Hymn

God of God, Light of Light;
Lo, He abhors not the virgin's womb:
Very God, begotten, not created;
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

"All Praise to Thee, Eternal Lord"

DUKE STREET
Text: Martin Luther, 1524

8:00, sing stanzas 1 and 3 only

9:30 and 11:00, sing all stanzas

Please be seated.

Public Confession

O Lord, I marvel that You purposed to become flesh so that You might be crucified, dead, and buried for me. The tomb calls forth my adoring wonder, for it is empty and You are risen! Grant me to die with You that I may rise to new life, for I wish to be as dead and buried to sin, to selfishness, to the world; that I might not hear the voice of the charmer, and might be delivered from his lusts. Purge me from selfishness, pride, the fear of man, the desire to be cultivated or modern. Grant me to stand with my dying Savior, to be content to be rejected, to be willing to hold to unpopular truths. Grant me more and more of the resurrection life: may it rule me, may I walk in its power, and be strengthened through its influence.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Comfort of the Gospel

Remember these things, O Jacob, and Israel, for you are My servant; I formed you; you are My servant; O Israel, you will not be forgotten by Me. I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like mist; return to Me, for I have redeemed you. Isaiah 44:21-22

Song of Praise "Thou Who Wast Rich Beyond All Splendor" *QUELLE EST CETTE ODEUR*

New Member Recognition (9:30 and 11:00)

The Sacrament of Baptism (9:30)

Vance Preston Freeman

The Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00
The Rev. Tim Tinsley 9:30
The Rev. Rob Allen 11:00

Musical Offering

"Mary, Did You Know?"
Lauren Bell, *Soprano*; Adam Bell, *Tenor*

Greene

***The Scripture Reading**

Luke 1.26-33

Mrs. Edward L. Kersten

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, ²⁷ to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary. ²⁸ And he came to her and said, "Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!" ²⁹ But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be. ³⁰ And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. ³¹ And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call His name Jesus. ³² He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to Him the throne of His father David, ³³ and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end."

The Morning Sermon

MARY: A MODEL DISCIPLE
"Faith in God's Plan"

Dr. Ryan

☞ Worshipers at 9:30 and 11:00, continue on page 8 ☞

The Great Thanksgiving

Mr. Williams

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Minister: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Minister: It is right and good and a joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

People: Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious Name; evermore praising You, and singing:

Please Stand.

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Please be seated.

The Words of Institution

Mr. Williams

The Communion

Please hold the bread and cup, and we will all partake together.

During the Serving of Communion

*During the serving of the bread, please meditate
and pray using these verses of Scripture:*

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

—Galatians 4:4-7

During the cup, please use the following hymn text for private prayer.

"Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness" *Johann Franck, 1649*

Soul, adorn yourself with gladness, leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,
Come into the daylight's splendor, there with joy your praises render.
Bless the One whose grace unbounded this amazing banquet founded;
He, though heavn'ly, high, and holy, deigns to dwell with you most lowly.

Hasten as a bride to meet Him, eagerly and gladly greet Him.
There He stands already knocking; quickly, now, your gate unlocking,
Open wide the fast-closed portal, saying to the Lord immortal:
"Come, and leave Your loved one never; dwell within my heart forever."

Now in faith I humbly ponder over this surpassing wonder
That the bread of life is boundless though the souls it feeds are countless;
With the choicest wine of heaven Christ's own blood to us is given,
Oh, most glorious consolation, pledge and seal of my salvation.

Jesus, source of lasting pleasure, truest friend and dearest treasure,
Peace beyond all understanding, joy into all life expanding:
Humbly now, I bow before You, love incarnate, I adore You;
Worthily let me receive You, and, so favored, never leave You.

☞ Worshipers at 9:30 and 11:00 continue here ☞

***Closing Hymn**

"Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates!"

TRURO

text: Georg Weisdel, 1642

***The Benediction**

Minister: The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26

People: **Thanks be to God! Amen!**

Postlude

"Toccata on *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*"
Mr. Colin Howland, *Organ*

arr. Willcocks

**The Congregation stands.*

A Service of Lessons and Carols

An evening of Worship and Adoration of our Lord Jesus Christ
Scripture, Congregational Singing, Choirs, Orchestra

Two services: 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm
Fellowship Hall

Personal Prayer and Counsel

Do you know for certain you will spend eternity with God? Elders and prayer leaders are available and eager to meet with you and pray with you in complete confidence. Please join us in Room 200 (north of Fellowship Hall) following the worship service.

"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



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.

PASTORS

Joseph (Skip) Ryan, *Senior Minister*
Pete Deison, *Disciplemaking*
Tim Tinsley, *Disciplemaking and Evangelism*
Rob Allen, *Administration*
Ron Williams, *Senior Adults and Pastoral Care*
Mark Davis, *Youth and Family*
Bill Lamberth, *Families with Children*
Patrick Lafferty, *20+ Community*

"How sweet are Your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth."

Psalm 119:103

The great desire of the elders is that PCPC be a church immersed in the Word of God. In order to see this happen, we have provided each household a copy of the *One Year Bible*. If you have yet to receive your copy of the *One Year Bible*, they are available on a table in the south foyer. For your convenience this week's reading is listed below. *This information is also posted on the PCPC web site: www.pcpc.org.*

Date	Old Testament	Psalms	Proverbs	New Testament
12/11	Amos 4.1-6.14	130.1-8	29.21-22	Revelation 2.18-3.6
12/12	Amos 7.1-9.15	131.1-3	29.23	Revelation 3.7-22
12/13	Obadiah 1-21	132.1-18	29.24-25	Revelation 4.1-11
12/14	Jonah 1.1-4.11	133.1-3	29.26-27	Revelation 5.1-14
12/15	Micah 1.1-4.13	134.1-3	30.1-4	Revelation 6.1-17
12/16	Micah 5.1-7.20	135.1-21	30.5-6	Revelation 7.1-17
12/17	Nahum 1.1-3.19	136.1-26	30.7-9	Revelation 8.1-13