



ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

SEPTEMBER 17, 2006
8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am

The Christian Year: Fifteenth 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.
Please do not bring food or drinks into the sanctuary.
Thank you.*

Welcome

Mr. Stephen Nielson
Ruling Elder

Preparation for Worship

Choral Introit

9:30/11:00

"Fair Name of Jesus"

Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, Conductor

Traditional Chinese

Fair and holy Jesus name! A flow'r most fresh and fragrant! Morn and eve I think of Him: He who chose to bear our shame. Wondrous, wondrous Jesus' grace! He gave His life for us, our wand'ring hearts to claim.

Great and honour'd Jesus name! He met sin and death unfazed. For our sake from tomb arose, and later was to heaven raised. Beloved name of Christ Jesus! Honour well the Son, may His Father God be praised.

Call to Worship

The Rev. Tim Tinsley

Minister: Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable His ways! "For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been His counselor? Or who has given a gift to Him that he might be repaid?"

People: **For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be glory forever. Amen!**

Romans 11.33-36

***Hymn of Adoration No. 173** "Praise Him! Praise Him!"

JOYFUL SONG

***Prayer of Adoration**

***Confession of Faith**

Dr. Pete Deison 8:00/9:30
The Rev. Bill Lamberth 11:00

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be preminent. For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross.

Colossians 1:15-20

***Hymn of Praise No. 292**

“Who Shall Ascend the
Mountain of the Lord”

ENGELBERG

The Sacrament of Baptism 9:30/11:00

Dr. Deison 9:30
The Rev. Mark Davis 9:30
Mr. Lamberth 9:30/11:00

9:30

David William Burns
William Karl Neuhoff
Gregory Preston Laird, Jr.
Bennett Allen O'Neill
Joan Stroube Henson
Case Henry Stockton

11:00

Jackson Stephen Pennington
Maxwell Fuller Reynolds

Parental Vows

1. Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God's covenant promises in (his/her) behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for (his/her) salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your child to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before (him/her) a godly example, that you will pray with and for (him/her), that you will teach (him/her) the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring (him/her) up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

Congregational Vow

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of this child?

Prayer for the Families 9:30/11:00



1. There is a Re - deem - er, Je - sus, God's own Son, _____
 2. Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, name a - bove all names, _____
 3. When I stand in glo - ry I will see His face, _____ and



pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si-ah, Ho - ly One.
 pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes-si-ah, hope for sin - ners slain.
 there I'll serve my King for - ev - er, in that ho - ly place.



Thank you, O my Fa - ther, for giv - ing us your Son; _____ and



leav - ing your Spir - it 'til the work on earth is done.

Public Confession of Sin

O God, I bless You for the happy moment when I first saw Your law fulfilled in Christ, wrath appeased, death destroyed, sin forgiven, my soul saved. I want no other rock to build upon than that which I have, desire no other hope than that of gospel truth, need no other look than that which gazes on the cross. Forgive me if I have tried to add anything to the one foundation, if I have unconsciously relied upon my knowledge, experience, deeds, and not seen them as filthy rags, if I have attempted to complete what is perfect in Christ. May my cry be always, Only Jesus! Only Jesus! In Him is freedom from condemnation, fullness in His righteousness, eternal vitality in His given life, indissoluble union in fellowship with Him. In Him I have all that I can hold; enlarge me to take in more.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Comfort of the Gospel

Christ committed no sin, neither was deceit found in His mouth. When He was reviled, He did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but continued entrusting Himself to Him who judges justly. He 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 2:22-25

Musical Offering

8:00

“Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts”

QUEBEC

Mr. Stephen Nielson, *Piano*

arr. S. Nielson

Jesus, Thou joy of loving hearts, Thou fount of life, Thou light of men, from the best bliss that earth imparts we turn unfilled to Thee again. We taste Thee, O Thou living bread, and long to feast upon Thee still; we drink of Thee, the fountainhead, and thirst our souls from Thee to fill.

9:30/11:00

奇異恩典

arr. Althouse

(“Amazing Grace”)

Chancel Choir • Zhou XiangYang (Judy), *Conductor*

奇異恩典, 何等甘甜, 我罪已得赦免;

前我失喪, 今被尋回, 瞎眼今得看見。

*Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come.
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise, than when we first begun.*

*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

Psalm 1

Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked
nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;
² but his delight is in the law of the Lord,
and on His law he meditates day and night.
³ He is like a tree planted by streams of water
that yields its fruit in its season,
and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.
⁴ The wicked are not so,
but are like chaff that the wind drives away.
⁵ Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;
⁶ for the Lord knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.

☞ Worshipers at 9:30 and 11:00, continue on page 6 ☞

The Great Thanksgiving

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.

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-
 san-na in the high-est. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

***Prayer of Thanksgiving and Blessing**

Please be seated.

The Words of Institution

The Communion

*Please come forward down the center aisle.
 Partake of the elements upon receiving them from the elders.
 Return to your seat with your empty cup via the side aisle.*

During the Serving of Communion

Please use the following Scripture for private meditation.

Hebrews 12.1-14

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Consider Him who endured from sinners such hostility against Himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted. In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons?

*"My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord,
nor be weary when reproved by Him.*

*For the Lord disciplines the one He loves,
and chastises every son whom He receives."*

It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but He disciplines us for our good, that we may share His holiness. For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed. Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord.

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***Closing Hymn No. 170**

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

CRUSADER'S HYMN

***The Benediction**

Minister: Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on His law he meditates day and night. He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.

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

Postlude

Mr. Howland, Organ

**The Congregation stands.*

The flowers in our worship services this morning are given to the glory of God and in honor of Adair and Paul Gregory on the occasion of their 48th Wedding Anniversary by their three sons and one daughter-in-law, Ted, Nolan, Andrew and Ashley, and two grandchildren, Savannah and Andrew Adair Gregory, Jr.

We welcome guest conductor Zhou XiangYang (Judy), from Hangzhou, China, to our worship services this morning.

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 alongside 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 (north of Fellowship Hall) 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.

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

**Tonight in the Sanctuary
6:00 pm
Prayer and Praise Service**

**— Looking Ahead —
Sunday, September 24, 2006
Preaching: The Rev. Mark Davis**

Senior Minister Search Committee Nominations

The Session is receiving nominations of PCPC members to serve on the Search Committee for a new Senior Minister. If you have nominations for the Search Committee, please submit those names by Monday, September 18 to Executive Director Jeff Barber's office at ExecutiveDirector@pcpc.org or at 214-224-2775.

THE DIRECTORY OF WORSHIP ON BAPTISM

*(Chapter 56 from The Book of Church Order
of the Presbyterian Church in America)*

Baptism is to be administered by a minister of Christ, not privately, but in the presence of the congregation under the supervision of the Session.

It is **instituted** by our Lord Jesus Christ.

It is a **seal** of the Covenant of Grace, of our ingrafting into Christ, and of our union with Him, of remission of sins, regeneration, adoption and life eternal.

The water **represents and signifies** both the blood of Christ, which takes away all guilt of sin, original and actual, and the sanctifying virtue of the Spirit of Christ against the dominion of sin, and the corruption of our sinful nature.

The sprinkling and washing of water **signifies** the cleansing from sin by the blood and for the merit of Christ, together with the mortification of sin, and rising from sin to newness of life, by virtue of the death and resurrection of Christ.

The **promises** made are to believers and their children. Their children have an interest in the covenant, and right to the seal of it, and to the outward privileges of the church, under the Gospel, no less than the children of Abraham in the time of the Old Testament; the Covenant of Grace, for substance, being the same; and the grace of God and the consolation of believers being more plentiful than before.

Jesus admitted little children into His presence, embracing and blessing them saying, “For such is the kingdom of God.”

Children, by Baptism, are solemnly received into the bosom of the visible Church, distinguished from the world and united with believers. All who are baptized in the name of Christ, renounce and are bound to fight against the devil, the world and the flesh.

They are **federally** holy before Baptism, and therefore are they baptized.

The inward grace and virtue of Baptism is **not tied to the very moment** of time when one is Baptized—the fruit and power of it reaches to the whole course of life, and outward baptism is not so necessary that without it an infant is in danger of damnation.

By virtue of being children of believing parents they are, because of God’s covenant ordinance, made members of the church, but this not sufficient to make them continue members of the Church. When they have reached the age of discretion, they become subject to obligations of the covenant: **faith, repentance and obedience**. They then make public confession of their faith in Christ, or become covenant breakers, and subject to the discipline of the Church.

All who are present during baptisms are to look to their own Baptism and **repent** of their sins against their covenant with God, to stir up their faith, to improve and make right use of their Baptism, and of the covenant sealed between God and their soul.

For to you is the promise, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call unto Him. And I will establish My covenant between Me and you and your seed after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God to you and to your seed after you. Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you shall be saved, you and your house. Acts 2.39; Genesis 17.7; Acts 16.31

Session/Associate Pastors

The Rev. Robert Allen	David Gowdey	Boots Nowlin
John Bateman	John Harper	Irv Queal
Frank Bullock	John Hawkins	The Rev. Joseph Ryan
The Rev. Pete Deison	Jay Hohfeler	Tracy Taylor
Jack Denman	Kent Johnson	Bill Thomas
David Franklin	Bill Mabus	The Rev. Tim Tinsley
Mark Fulmer		Steve Vanderhill

Assistant Pastors

The Rev. Mark Davis	The Rev. Ron Williams	The Rev. Bill Lamberth
	The Rev. Patrick Lafferty	

Executive Director

Jeff Barber

Shepherding Elders

*(Elders not currently on the Session but
active in ministry at Park Cities Presbyterian Church)*

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