



A PRAYING COMMUNITY

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Park Cities Presbyterian Church

March 18, 2007

8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am

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.*

Preparation for Worship

Choral Introit

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

Luther/Allen

The EXCEL Choir

arr. Fettle

Lauren Bell, *Director*; Han-na Heo, *Accompanist*

Praise

Call to Worship

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00

Dr. Pete Deison 9:30

The Rev. Patrick Lafferty 11:00

Minister: Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon His name; make known His deeds among the peoples!

People: **Sing to Him; sing praises to Him; tell of all His wondrous works! Glory in His holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice .**

1 Chronicles 16.8-10

*Hymn of Adoration No. 457 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

NETTLETON

*Prayer of Adoration

Profession of Our Church's Faith

Minister: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise Him in the heights!

People: Praise Him, all His angels; praise Him, all His hosts!

Men: Praise Him, sun and moon, praise Him, all you shining stars!

Women: Praise Him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

Minister: Let them praise the name of the LORD! For He commanded and they were created.

Psalm 148.1-5

People: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

All: (*singing*)

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing
Alleluia, alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise Him, O praise Him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,
And worship Him in humbleness,
O praise Him alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, three in one
O praise Him, O praise Him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Minister: I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord;

People: Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

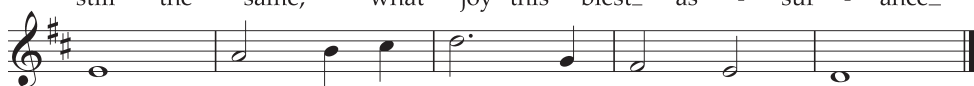
All: (*singing*)



1. I know that my Re - deem - er_ lives! What joy this blest as -
2. He lives tri - um - phant from the_ grave; He lives e - ter - nal -
3. He lives to bless me_ with His_ love; He lives to plead for
4. He lives, all glo - ry_ to His_ name! He lives, my Sav - ior,



sur - rance gives! He lives, He lives, who_ once_ was_
ly to save; He lives ex - alt - ed, throned a -
me a - bove; He lives my hun - gry_ soul_ to_
still the same; what joy this blest_ as - sur - ance_



dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing Head!
bove; He lives to rule His church in love.
feed; He lives to help in time of need.
gives: I know that my Re - deem - er lives!

The Means of Grace—The Sacrament of Baptism

The Sacrament of Baptism 9:30/11:00

The Rev. Bill Lamberth and
The Rev. Tim Tinsley 9:30
Dr. Deison and Mr. Lamberth 11:00

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?

9:30

Christopher Daniel Kuehn
Emily Zithlaly McDonald
Ashley Dominica McDonald

11:00

Heather Marie Greenfield
Molly McCollum Mattox

Prayer for the Families 9:30/11:00

Mr. Tinsley 9:30
Mr. Lamberth 11:00

Minister: I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules. Ezekiel 36:24-27

People: **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

All: *(singing)*

Come, Holy Com-for-ter, Thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour.
Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart,
And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.

To the great One in Three eternal praises be, hence evermore.
His sovereign majesty may we in glory see,
And to eternity love and adore.

The Means of Grace—Prayer

Public Confession of Sin

Minister: The sacrifices of God are a broken Spirit, a broken and contrite heart, O God, You will not despise.

People: **Merciful God, in baptism You promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves, separated from sisters and brothers in Christ. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show reluctance to welcome one another; we allow the past to hold us hostage. In Your lovingkindness have mercy on us and free us from sin. Remind us of the promises You make in baptism so that we may rise to new life and live together in grace.**

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Comfort of the Gospel

Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. Romans 8.33-34

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Williams 8:00
Dr. Deison 9:30
Mr. Lafferty 11:00

The Giving of Offerings

Musical Offering

8:00

Mr. Colin Howland, *Organ*

9:30/11:00

"Give Me Jesus"

arr Kurt Kaiser

High School Ensemble and Covenant Choir

Lynda Fray, *Director*; Alex McDonald, *Piano*

In the morning when I rise, give me Jesus. You may have this world, give me Jesus.

And when I am alone, give me Jesus. And when I come to die, give me Jesus.

***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

Ephesians 5.15-17

Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise,¹⁶ making the best use of the time, because the days are evil.¹⁷ Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.

The Morning Sermon

“Bottom Line Living”

Dr. John Tolson

Parish Associate

Highland Park Presbyterian Church

Dallas, Texas

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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.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven___ 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

*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.

Ephesians 1.3-14

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before Him.

In love He predestined us for adoption through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of His will, to the praise of His glorious grace, with which He has blessed us in the Beloved. In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace, which He lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of His will, according to His purpose, which He set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in Him, things in heaven and things on earth.

In Him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will, so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of His glory. In Him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in Him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of His glory.

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

***Closing Hymn No. 537**

“Take Time to Be Holy”

HOLINESS

***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

**The congregation stands.*