



*A PRAYING COMMUNITY*

**ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD**

Park Cities Presbyterian Church  
May 27, 2007  
8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am

*The Christian Year: 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.*

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*Please turn off all communication devices.  
Thank you.*

**Preparation for Worship** “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” *arr. Nielson & Young*  
Stephen Nielson and Ovid Young, *Pianists*  
J. Marty Cope and Colin Howland, *Organists*

**Prayer for PCPC Short-Term Missionaries: Mexico and Japan**  
*9:30/11:00*

**Call to Worship**

The Rev. Patrick Lafferty

**Minister:** I give You thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing Your praise; I bow down toward Your holy temple and give thanks to Your name for Your steadfast love and Your faithfulness, for You have exalted above all things Your name and Your word.

**People:** **All the kings of the earth shall give You thanks, O LORD, for they have heard the words of Your mouth, and they shall sing of the ways of the LORD, for great is the glory of the LORD. For though the LORD is high, He regards the lowly, but the haughty He knows from afar.**

*Psalms 138.1-2, 4-6*

**\*Hymn of Adoration No. 710** “God of Our Fathers”  
Stanzas 1,2 and 4

*NATIONAL HYMN*

**\*Prayer of Adoration**

## \*Profession of our Church's Faith in the Holy Spirit

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. **Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to Him. But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.** So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" **The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with Him in order that we may also be glorified with Him.**

Romans 8.1-2, 9-17

### \*Hymn of Praise

"For Your Gift of God the Spirit"

ODE TO JOY

1. For Your gift of God the Spirit, pow'rs to make our lives a - new,  
2. He who in ce - less time's dawn-ing bleed-ed on the life - less deep,  
3. He Him-self the liv - ing Au - thor, wakes to life the ea - cred Word,

pledge of life and hope of glu - ry; low - ly, we would wor - ship You,  
still a cross-er, na - tur-our's need moves to wake our souls from sleep,  
renewed with us its - so by pa - gift and so ven-our ris - on Lord.

Crown-ing gift of res - ur - rec-tion sent from You as - send-ed throne,  
moves to sit, to draw, to quick-en, thrusts us through with - some of sin,  
He it is who works with in - us, teach-ing re - bel hearts to pray,

ful-ness at the ver-y God send, come to make Your life our own,  
brings to birth the un - der-stand-ing, the cre-ating Ad - vo - cate with in,  
He whoe he - ly in - ter-us-sions, rise for us both night and day.

### Public Confession of Sin

Gracious God, who pours out freely the gift of Your Holy Spirit: we confess before You and to each other that we have failed to recognize this most precious gift. We have been satisfied with ordinary things, suspicious of unfamiliar things, and blind to spiritual things. Cleanse us, O God, with Your celestial fire. Burn away our presumptuous self-sufficiency, and open us in faith to receive the renewing touch of Your hand.

## Private Confession

### Hymn of Assurance No. 508 "Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

9:30/11:00

ABERYSTWYTH

### Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Lafferty 8:00

Dr. Pete Deison 9:30

The Rev. Bill Lamberth 11:00

### Musical Offering

8:00

"O, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus"

EBENEZER

Messrs. Nielson and Young, *Pianos* arr. Nielson & Young

9:30/11:00

"Psalm 131"

Jeffrey Van

Chancel Choir • Mr. Cope, *Director*

*O Lord, my heart is not lifted up, my eyes are not raised too high; I do not occupy myself with things too great and too marvelous for me. But I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a child quieted at its mother's breast; like a child that is quieted is my soul. O Israel, O hope in the Lord from this time forth and forevermore.*

In this Psalm, the Holy Spirit refers to a "lifted up heart" in a bad sense, that is, one whose heart is haughty. So this sung prayer (Psalm 131) affirms that a true disciple's heart is "not lifted up." Where do we see a perfect illustration of the trust, contentment and dependence of a heart not lifted up?...from a weaned child with its mother. Such Christ-like posture strengthens the church in all times and circumstances to "hope in the Lord from this time forth and forevermore."

### \*The Greeting of Peace

**Minister:** Let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful. The peace of the Lord be with you always. Colossians 3.15

**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 131

*O Lord, my heart is not lifted up;  
my eyes are not raised too high;  
I do not occupy myself with things  
too great and too marvelous for me.  
<sup>2</sup> But I have calmed and quieted my soul,  
like a weaned child with its mother;  
like a weaned child is my soul within me.  
<sup>3</sup> O Israel, hope in the Lord  
from this time forth and forevermore.*

☞ Worshipers at 9:30 and 11:00, continue on page 5 ☞

## 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!**

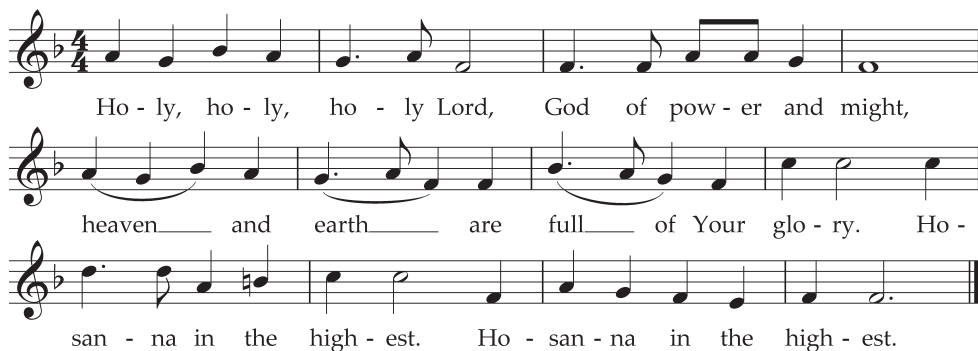
Minister: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

**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,  
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

“O Sacred Head Now Wounded”

PASSION CHORALE  
arr. Nielson & Young

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

CRUSADER’S HYMN  
arr. Nielson & Young

Please use the following Scripture for private meditation.

John 16.4-15

*"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to Him who sent Me, and none of you asks Me, 'Where are You going?' But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send Him to you. And when He comes, He will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: concerning sin, because they do not believe in Me; concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see Me no longer; concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.*

*"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth, for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak, and He will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take what is Mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is Mine; therefore I said that He will take what is Mine and declare it to you.*

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**\*Closing Hymn No. 689**

*"Be Still, My Soul"*

FINLANDIA

**\*Benediction**

Minister: May the Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, giving you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord and to proclaim the wonderful works of God; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

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

**Postlude**

*"Improvisation on ODE TO JOY"*  
Mr. Nielson, *Piano*; Mr. Young, *Organ*

*arr. Young*

*\*The congregation stands.*

*The flowers in our worship services this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dorothy Harris Bush by her family Beverly, Emily, Laura and Bill.*