

A Praying Community

Order for the Worship of God

Park Cities Presbyterian Church August 12, 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. Thank you.

Preparation for Worship "My Spirit Be Joyful" J. S. Bach Michelle Kaminski and Tim Anderson, *Trumpets*

Call to Worship

The Rev. Patrick Lafferty

Minister: Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God!

His holy mountain, beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all

the earth, Mount Zion, in the far north, the city of the great King.

People: We have thought on Your steadfast love, O God, in the midst of

Your temple. As Your name, O God, so Your praise reaches to the

ends of the earth. Your right hand is filled with rigteousness.

Psalm 48.1-2, 9-10

*Hymn of Adoration No. 103 "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" GROSSER GOTT

*Prayer of Adoration

*Profession of Our Church's Faith

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00 Dr. Pete Deison 9:30 The Rev. Julian Russell 11:00

Minister: Believers in Jesus Christ, "by this we know that we have come to

know Him, if we keep His commandments. Whoever says 'I know Him' but does not keep His commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in Him, but whoever keeps His word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may be sure that we are in Him: whoever says He abides in Him ought to walk in the same way in which He walked."

People:

Good works, done in obedience to God's commandments, are the fruits and evidences of a true and lively faith: and by them believers manifest their thankfulness, strengthen their assurance, edify their brethren, adorn the profession of the gospel, stop the mouths of the adversaries, and glorify God, whose workmanship they are, created in Christ Jesus thereunto, that, having their fruit unto holiness, they may have the end, eternal life.

Westminster Confession of Faith, XVI.2

*Hymn of Praise No. 642

"Be Thou My Vision"

SLANE

Please be seated.

Public Confession of Sin

Minister: The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite

heart, O God, You will not despise. Psalm 51.17

People:

Righteous Father, we who own more than we use, proclaim more than we experience, and request more than we need, come asking for Your forgiveness. We seek Your salvation, then act like we save ourselves. We beg Your forgiveness, then repeat our errors. We experience Your grace, then act defeated. We rely on Your power, but only in hard times. We have become confused and misguided. Forgive our every defection. Bring us to an unbroken commitment and a steady trust, through Jesus Christ, who is the way of hope, the truth of God, and the life of love, now and always.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him.

John 3.16-17

9:30/11:00

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Williams 8:00 Dr. Mark Fulmer, *Ruling Elder* 9:30/11:00

Musical Offering

"Yet Sovereign Mercy Calls" The Holcomb Family Anne Steele

*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: Having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through

our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Romans 5.1

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

Titus 3.1-8

Remind them to be submissive to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready for every good work, ² to speak evil of no one, to avoid quarreling, to be gentle, and to show perfect courtesy toward all people. ³ For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves to various passions and pleasures, passing our days in malice and envy, hated by others and hating one another. ⁴ But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, ⁵ He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to His own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, ⁶ whom He poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, ⁷ so that being justified by His grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life. ⁸ The saying is trustworthy, and I want you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to devote themselves to good works. These things are excellent and profitable for people.

The Morning Sermon "Working for love in all the right graces" Mr. Lafferty

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*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

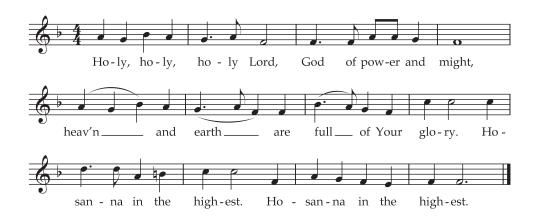
to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty,

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:



*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.

Psalm 7

O Lord my God, in You do I take refuge; save me from all my pursuers and deliver me, lest like a lion they tear my soul apart, rending it in pieces, with none to deliver. O Lord my God, if I have done this, if there is wrong in my hands, if I have repaid my friend with evil or plundered my enemy without cause, let the enemy pursue my soul and overtake it, and let him trample my life to the ground and lay my glory in the dust. Selah.

Arise, O Lord, in Your anger; lift Yourself up against the fury of my enemies; awake for me; You have appointed a judgment. Let the assembly of the peoples be gathered about You; over it return on high.

The Lord judges the peoples; judge me, O Lord, according to my righteousness and according to the integrity that is in me. Oh, let the evil of the wicked come to an end, and may You establish the righteous—You who test the minds and hearts, O righteous God!

My shield is with God, who saves the upright in heart. God is a righteous judge, and a God who feels indignation every day. If a man does not repent, God will whet His sword; He has bent and readied His bow; He has prepared for him His deadly weapons, making His arrows fiery shafts. Behold, the wicked man conceives evil and is pregnant with mischief and gives birth to lies. He makes a pit, digging it out, and falls into the hole that he has made. His mischief returns upon his own head, and on his own skull his violence descends.

I will give to the Lord the thanks due to his righteousness, and I will sing praise to the name of the Lord, the Most High.

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*Closing Hymn No. 644 "May the Mind of Christ My Savior"

ST. LEONARDS

*Benediction

Minister: May the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal

covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing His will, and may He work in us what is pleasing in Him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever.

Hebrews 13.20-21

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Postlude "Prelude in G, BWV 541" J. S. Bach
Mr. J. Marty Cope, Organ

*The congregation stands.