

Order for the Worship of God

Park Cities Presbyterian Church October 7, 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

Presentation of Bibles to the First Grade Sunday School The Rev. Bill Lamberth 9:30/11:00

Choral Introit "We Read You Best in Him Who Came" *H. Bonar* 9:30/11:00 Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, *Director*

We read You best in Him who came to bear for us the cross of shame; sent by the Father from on high, our life to live, our death to die. We read Your pow'r to bless and save, e'en in the darkness of the grave; still more in resurrection light we read the fulness of Your might.

Call to Worship

The Rev. Mark Davis

Minister: It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to Your name,

O Most High; to declare Your steadfast love in the morning and

Your faithfulness by night.

People: For You, O Lord, have made me glad by Your work; at the works

of Your hands I sing for joy. How great are Your works, O LORD!

*Hymn of Adoration No. 100 "Holy, Holy, Holy!"

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*Confession of our Church's Faith

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00 The Rev. Patrick Lafferty 9:30 The Rev. Tim Tinsley 11:00

Minister: In the Apostles' Creed, we confess that we believe in "the life

everlasting." Christian, what comfort do you take from this

truth?

People: That since I now feel in my heart the beginning of eternal joy,

after this life I shall inherit perfect salvation, which "eye has not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man" to conceive, and that, to praise God therein forever.

Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 58

*Hymn of Praise No. 342 "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" REGENT SQUARE

Please be seated.

Public Confession of Sin

Lord, You have called us to worship You. We gladly gather! As we praise You, though, our own inadequacy reminds us of how we have broken our relationship with You. Because we have sinned against You, even our worship fails to be what it could. We often treat it as a show, or we choose a place of worship based on what makes us feel comfortable. We simply go through the motions, failing to recognize that You want to engage us deeply. Renew us, we pray, according to Your steadfast love. Remind us of Your covenant faithfulness and have mercy on us in the name of Jesus Christ.

Private Confession of Sin

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

You did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ.

based on Romans 8.15-17



Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

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

Musical Offering

8:00 "O Love that Wilt Not Let Me Go" arr. Howland

Mr. Colin Howland, Organ

9:30/11:00 "Saints Bound for Heaven" arr. Wilberg

Chancel Choir • Mr. Cope, Director

Our bondage it shall end by and by. From Egypt's yoke set free, hail the glorious jubilee, and to Cannan we'll return by and by.

Our deliv'rer He shall come by and by. And our sorrows have an end with our three-score years and ten, and vast glory crown the day by and by.

And when to Jordan's floods we are come, Jehovah rules the tide and the waters He'll divide, and the ransom'd host shall shout "We are come."

Then with all the happy throng we'll rejoice. Shouting glory to our King 'til the vaults of heaven ring, and thro' all eternity we'll rejoice!

*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 84

How lovely is Your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts! ² My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God. ³ Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young at Your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. ⁴ Blessed are those who dwell in Your house, ever singing Your praise! ⁵ Blessed are those whose strength is in You, in whose heart are the highways to Zion. ⁶ As they go through the Valley of Baca they make it a place of springs; the early rain also covers it with pools. ⁷ They go from strength to strength; each one appears before God in Zion. ⁸ O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob! ⁹ Behold our shield, O God; look on the face of Your anointed! ¹⁰ For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness. ¹¹ For the Lord God is a Sun and Shield; the Lord bestows favor and honor. No good thing does He withhold from those who walk uprightly. ¹² O Lord of hosts, blessed is the one who trusts in You!

Please stand.

*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

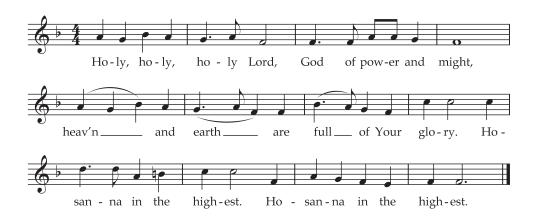
to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty,

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:



*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 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. He will not let your foot be moved; He who keeps you will not slumber. Behold, He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade on your right hand. The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord will keep you from all evil; He will keep your life. The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

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

*Closing Hymn No. 376 "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"

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*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

"Fanfare and Procession" Mr. Howland, *Organ* Keith Chapman

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

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.

^{*}The congregation stands.