



ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Park Cities Presbyterian Church

April 20, 2008

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

Choral Introit

9:30/11:00

"Awake, Awake!"

Courtney

Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, *Director*

Dawn Hui, *Violin* • Jeremy Collins, *Guitar* • Sterling Procter, *Horn*

*Awake, awake! Let ev'ry heart in loudest praise adore the great eternal Lord
of all, who reigns forevermore. He paints the orient sky of morn, He gives the
flow'r its hue and gently o'er its fragrant leaves He drops the pearly dew
Stranger, pilgrims here below, He will lead us while we go; where the cooling
waters flow, His hand our steps will guide.*

Call to Worship

The Rev. Patrick Lafferty

Minister: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

People: **Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though
the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its
waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its
swelling.**

Minister: Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the
nations, I will be exalted in the earth!

People: **The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.**

***Hymn of Adoration No. 382 "God Himself Is with Us"**

WUNDERBARER KONIG

***Prayer of Adoration**





*Profession of Our Church's Faith

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00

Dr. Pete Deison 9:30

The Rev. Bill Lamberth 11:00

We believe and profess one catholic or universal Church, which is a holy congregation of true Christian believers, all expecting their salvation in Jesus Christ, being washed by His blood, sanctified and sealed by the Holy Spirit. This Church has been from the beginning of the world, and will be to the end thereof; which is evident from this, that Christ is an eternal King, which without subjects He cannot be. And this holy Church is preserved or supported by God against the rage of the whole world; though it sometimes for a while appears very small, and in the eyes of men to be reduced to nothing; as during the perilous reign of Ahab the Lord reserved unto Him seven thousand men who had not bowed their knees to Baal. Furthermore, this holy Church is not confined, bound, or limited to a certain place or to certain persons, but is spread and dispersed over the whole world; and yet is joined and united with heart and will, by the power of faith, in one and the same Spirit.

Belgic Confession of Faith, Article 27

*Hymn of Praise No. 345 “Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken” AUSTRIAN HYMN

Please be seated.

Sacrament of Baptism

Dr. Deison and Mr. Lamberth

9:30/11:00

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 on his behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for his 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 a godly example, that you will pray with and for him, that you will teach him the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring him 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 these children?

9:30

11:00

Wright Hudson Morris

Hunter Mitchell Hargrave

Donald Benjamin Wrightsman

Luke Kwangsoo Thomason





Prayer for the Families

9:30/11:00

Mr. Lamberth 9:30

Mr. Harry Hargrave, *Ruling Elder* 11:00

Musical Meditation

9:30/11:00

"Take My Life and Let It Be"

Mr. Jeremy Collins, *Guitar*

arr. Collins

Song of Praise

9:30-11:00

"Jesus, Your Name"

Getty



1. Je - sus, Your name, Prince of Peace; Qui - ets my
2. Je - sus, Your name, Coun - sell - or; Won - der - ful
3. Je - sus, Your name, Migh - ty God; All Pow'r-ful



soul, trea - sures the least. In per - fect rest ____
Way, Life's Com - for - ter. Spi - rit of Truth de -
One, rul - ing in love. There is a King u -



You will keep all whose hope is in You.
fend - ing me, though in me was the blame.
pon the throne earth can - not o - ver - throw.



Je - sus, Your name can sil - ence the storms; the
Je - sus, Your name has stood in my place and
Je - sus, Your name, great ban - ner of hope;



striv - ings that trou - ble ____ our world. Je - sus, Your name
freed me from hope - less shame; Je - sus, Your name
Stead - ies the knees ____ of the weak. Je - sus, the name



re - veals You as Lord; Oh, po - wer - ful name!
now fath - er's me; With joy I bear His name.
all nat - ions will praise; Oh, glo - ri - ous name!





Public Confession of Sin

based on the Beatitudes

Minister: God blesses those whose hearts are pure, for they will see God.

People: But we have defiled our hearts with idols of our own choosing, doubting that God will keep His Word and His promises. We often compromise the truth by trying to find meaning and security in our jobs, our friends, our pleasures, our projects—**but not in God.**

Minister: God blesses those who are persecuted because they live for God, for the kingdom of heaven is theirs.

People: But we have too often retreated from the disapproval of others. We have sought to please the world rather than risking the disapproval of those who need the Messiah. We regard rejection for righteousness as a burden to be borne, rather than an honor to be humbly received. Lord, have mercy upon us in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Comfort of the Gospel

He was wounded for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace and with His stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

Isaiah 53:5-6

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Williams 8:00

Mr. Kent Johnson, *Ruling Elder* 9:30/11:00

Musical Offering

8:00

"Take My Life and Let It Be"

arr. Collins

Mr. Collins, *Guitar*

9:30/11:00

"O God, You Search Me"

Kingsbury

Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, *Director*

O God, You search me and You know me. All my thoughts lie open to Your gaze. When I walk or lie down You are before me: Ever the maker and keeper of my days.

You know my resting and my rising. You discern my purpose from afar, and with love everlasting You besiege me: In ev'ry moment of life or death, You are.

Before a word is on my tongue, Lord, You have known its meaning through and through. You are with me beyond my understanding: God of my present, my past and future, too.

Although Your Spirit its upon me, still I search for shelter from Your light. There is nowhere on earth I can escape You: Even the darkness is radiant in Your sight.

For You created me, gave me life within my mother's womb, for the wonder of who I am I praise You: Safe in Your hands, all creation is made new.

based on Psalm 139

*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

Acts 5.12-42

Now many signs and wonders were regularly done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. ¹³None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high esteem. ¹⁴And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, ¹⁵so that they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. ¹⁶The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed

¹⁷But the high priest rose up, and all who were with him (that is, the party of the Sadducees), and filled with jealousy ¹⁸they arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. ¹⁹But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, ²⁰"Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life." ²¹And when they heard this, they entered the temple at daybreak and began to teach.

Now when the high priest came, and those who were with him, they called together the council and all the senate of the people of Israel and sent to the prison to have them brought. ²²But when the officers came, they did not find them in the prison, so they returned and reported, ²³"We found the prison securely locked and the guards standing at the doors, but when we opened them we found no one inside." ²⁴Now when the captain of the temple and the chief priests heard these words, they were greatly perplexed about them, wondering what this would come to. ²⁵And someone came and told them, "Look! The men whom you put in prison are standing in the temple and teaching the people." ²⁶Then the captain with the officers went and brought them, but not by force, for they were afraid of being stoned by the people.

²⁷And when they had brought them, they set them before the council. And the high priest questioned them, ²⁸saying, "We strictly charged you not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and you intend to bring this man's blood upon us." ²⁹But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men. ³⁰The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³²And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him."

³³When they heard this, they were enraged and wanted to kill them. ³⁴But a Pharisee in the council named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law held in honor by all the people, stood up and gave orders to put the men outside for a little while. ³⁵And he said to them, "Men of Israel, take care what you are about to do with these men. ³⁶For before these days Theudas rose up, claiming to be somebody, and a number of men, about four hundred, joined him. He was killed, and all who followed him were dispersed and came to nothing. ³⁷After him Judas the Galilean rose up in the days of the census and drew away some of the people after him. He too perished, and all who followed him were scattered. ³⁸So in the present case I tell you, keep away from these men and let them alone, for if this plan or this undertaking is of man, it will fail; ³⁹but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them. You might even be found opposing God!" So they took his advice, ⁴⁰and when they had called in the apostles, they beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. ⁴¹Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name. ⁴²And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.





Morning Sermon

“Getting Down to Brass Tacks”

Mr. Lafferty

☞ Worshipers at 9:30 and 11:00, please continue on page 7 ☞

Please stand.

*The Great Thanksgiving

Mr. Williams

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

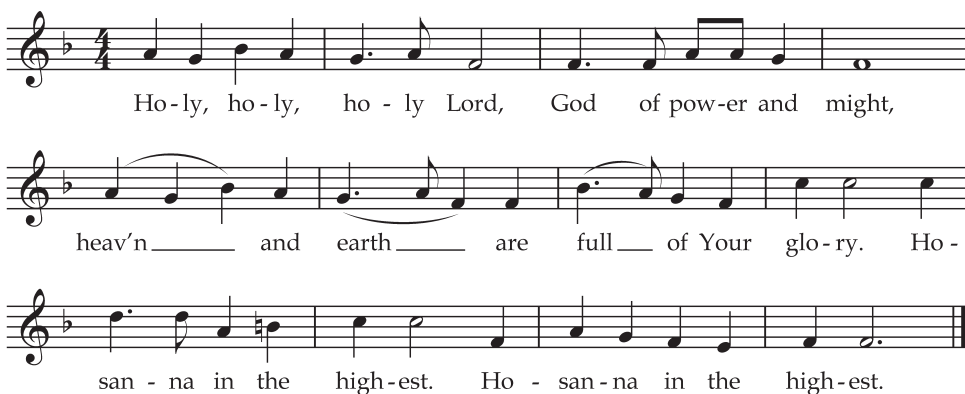
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

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.

Isaiah 61.10-11

*I will greatly rejoice in the LORD;
my soul shall exult in my God,
for He has clothed me with the garments of salvation;
He has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a
beautiful headdress,
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.
For as the earth brings forth its sprouts,
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to sprout up,
so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise
to sprout up before all the nations.*

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

***Closing Hymn No. 92**

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

EIN' FESTE BURG

***Benediction**

Minister: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

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

Postlude

**The congregation stands.*

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.**

**— Looking Ahead —
Morning Preaching Schedule**

April 27, 2008
The Rev. Tim Tinsley
Park Cities Presbyterian Church
Dallas, Texas

May 4, 2008
The Rev. Tim Tinsley
Park Cities Presbyterian Church
Dallas, Texas

May 11, 2008
Installation of The Rev. Mark Davis
as Senior Minister of Park Cities Presbyterian Church
Dallas, Texas

May 18, 2008
The Rev. Mark Davis
Communion Sunday
Park Cities Presbyterian Church
Dallas, Texas

Sunday Evening Worship Service

**Tonight • April 20, 2008
6:00 pm • Oak Lawn West**

The Rev. Julian Russell

**“The Holy Spirit Makes Visible That Which Is Invisible”
1 Corinthians 2.1-12**

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