

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Park Cities Presbyterian Church July 26, 2009 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..

Preparation for Worship

"Amazing Grace" Mr. Stephen Nielson, *Piano*

NEW BRITAIN arr. Nielson

We Praise and Profess Our Faith in God "My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD, and let all flesh bless His holy name forever and ever." Psalm 145.21

Call to Worship

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

Minister: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart; I will recount

all of Your wonderful deeds. I will be glad and exult in You; I

will sing praise to Your name, O Most High.

People: The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in

times of trouble. And those who know Your name put their trust in You, for You, O Lord, have not forsaken those who seek You. Sing praises to the Lord, who sits enthroned in Zion! Tell among the peoples His deeds!

Psalm 9.1-2, 9-11

*Hymn Adoration No. 55

"To God Be the Glory"

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

*Prayer of Adoration concluding with the Lord's Prayer

*Confession of Faith

The Rev. Patrick Lafferty 8:00 The Rev. Bill Lamberth 9:30 Mr. Lafferty 11:00

Minister: Christian, what is your only comfort, in life and in death?

People:

That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death—not to myself, but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of His own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that He protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit His purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

The Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1

*Hymn of Praise No. 167 "When Morning Gilds the Skies" Stanzas: 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6

LAUDES DOMINI

Please be seated.

Public Confession of Sin

Lord, we have sinned, without considering how much You love us. You see our sins more clearly than we can ourselves. Lord, You know when we are indifferent to Your Word, the Bible; how often we forget to pray; the times we come unwillingly to worship; and yet we turn to You when we are in trouble. Lord, You know when we are untruthful and when we think evil of others. You see our anger and unfairness to our friends. You know how hard it is for us to forgive. Forgive us and make us clean, so that we can obey Your call to take up Your cross and follow You. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance

But now thus says the LORD, He who created you, O Jacob, He who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are Mine."

Isaiah 43:1

Song of Assurance No. 648 "My Jesus, I Love Thee" 9:30/11:00

CARITAS

5.50/11.00

We Pray for Our Congregation, the Church, and the World

"First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people . . . This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth."

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Lafferty 8:00 Mr. Lamberth 9:30 Mr. Lafferty 11:00

Musical Offering

g "Was I Faithful?" based on Matthew 25.31-40 Jenni Rasberry, Soprano • Stephen Nielson, Piano Carolyn Hamlin

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.

We Hear and Respond to God's Word

Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD and all the rules.

And all the people answered with one voice and said,

"All the words that the LORD has spoken we will do."

Exodus 24.3

*The Scripture Reading

Psalm 4

Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness! You have given me relief when I was in distress. Be gracious to me and hear my prayer!

² O men, how long shall my honor be turned into shame? How long will you love vain words and seek after lies? ³ But know that the Lord has set apart the godly for Himself; the Lord hears when I call to Him.

⁴ Be angry, and do not sin; ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be silent.

⁵ Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the Lord.

⁶ There are many who say, "Who will show us some good? Lift up the light of Your face upon us, O Lord!"

⁷ You have put more joy in my heart than they have when their grain and wine abound.

⁸ In peace I will both lie down and sleep; for You alone, O Lord, make me dwell in safety.

Morning Sermon "God Sets His People Apart for Himself" Mr. Williams 8:00 Mr. Tinsley 9:30/ 11:00

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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

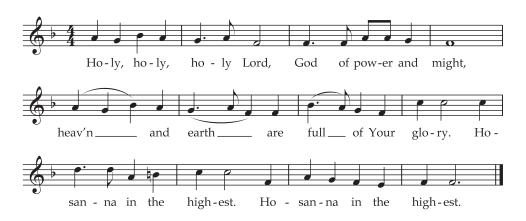
to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty,

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:



We Proclaim Jesus Christ Crucified as the Only Salvation for Sinners

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life.

No one comes to the Father except through Me."

John 14:6

*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 37.8-17

Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath! Fret not yourself; it tends only to evil. For the evildoers shall be cut off, but those who wait for the Lord shall inherit the land.

In just a little while, the wicked will be no more; though you look carefully at his place, he will not be there. But the meek shall inherit the land and delight themselves in abundant peace.

The wicked plots against the righteous and gnashes his teeth at him, but the Lord laughs at the wicked, for He sees that his day is coming.

The wicked draw the sword and bend their bows to bring down the poor and needy, to slay those whose way is upright; their sword shall enter their own heart, and their bows shall be broken.

Better is the little that the righteous has than the abundance of many wicked. For the arms of the wicked shall be broken, but the Lord upholds the righteous.

— Worshipers at 9:30 and 11:00, please continue here —

We go into the World with God's Peace to Live for His Glory

"Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen."

Hebrews 13:20-21

*Closing Hymn No. 693

"Blessed Assurance"

ASSURANCE

*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 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" LOBE DEN HERREN Mr. Nielson, Piano arr. Nielson

*The congregation stands.

The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Kitty and French Snelling's 50th wedding anniversary by their grandchildren Sarah, Will, Ben, Powell, Zach, Abby, Kate, Turner and Luke.

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

MINISTERS

The members of this church family who, in serving their Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ, extend His Kingdom 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.

Sunday Evening Worship Service Tonight, July 26, 2009 6:00 pm • Oak Lawn West

The Rev. Patrick Lafferty
Exodus 32-33
"What must we do to be saved?"

Praying the Psalms

A generous use of the psalms in worship, either as responsive readings, as anthems, or sung in metrical versions by the whole congregation, has a very important theological principle behind it. Prayer is in the final analysis a gift of God, a divine work in the human heart. As the Apostle Paul tells us, prayer is the voice of the Holy Spirit crying out within us (Romans 8.15-16; Galatians 4.6). We pray the psalms because they are the prayers of the Holy Spirit. We find the same thing in the Acts of the Apostles. When the first Christians gathered for prayer and sang the psalms together, they were very much aware that the psalms were the prayers that the Holy Spirit had given them through the mouth of David (Acts 4.25). It is very clear in Luke's report of this prayer service, which no doubt resembles very closely the prayer services that occurred on a daily basis in the primitive Church of Jerusalem, that not only had the early Christians spoken to God in that prayer but that God had spoken to them in that same prayer. The psalms spoke to the Church in prayer.

This was nothing new. It was not a recent discovery or some novel theological construction on the part of first-century Christian enthusiasts. God's people had prayed the psalms for centuries because the psalms were the Lord's song. When the Jews were taken as captives into Babylon they were asked to sing the sacred music of their temple services, and they replied, "How shall we sing the LORD's song in a foreign land?" (Psalm 137.4). The psalms were in a very special way the Lord's song. Israel had experienced this for centuries. When the faithful had wanted to pour out their hearts to God, when they sought God's consolation and guidance, they prayed the psalms, because when they did, they discovered that

> By day the LORD commands His steadfast love; and at night His song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life.

Psalm 42.8

The psalms were God's songs, the prayers given to God's people by God's own Spirit, that is, the Holy Spirit. We as God's people today pray the psalms because in them God speaks to our hearts so that in our hearts we may speak to Him.

> —Leading in Prayer Hughes O. Old

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