



CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S TABLE

PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 11, 2011

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.

We Prepare Our Hearts

"The LORD is in His holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before Him."

Habakkuk 2.20

Preparation for Worship

9:30/11:00

"If My People"

Taylor Hargrave, *tenor* • Stephen Nielson, *piano*

Owens

We Come to Worship at His Bidding

"Let everything that has breath praise the LORD! Praise the LORD!"

Psalm 150.6

Call to Worship

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00
The Rev. Mark Davis 9:30/11:00

Minister: Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright. Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre; make melody to Him with the harp of ten strings!

People: **He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD. By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, and by the breath of His mouth all their host.**

Minister: Let all the earth fear the LORD; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him! For He spoke, and it came to be; He commanded, and it stood firm.

People: **The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; He frustrates the plans of the peoples. The counsel of the LORD stands forever, the plans of His heart to all generations. Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people whom He has chosen as His heritage!**

from Psalm 33

***Hymn of Adoration No. 76** "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

LAUDA ANIMA

***Prayer of Adoration**

***Confession of Faith**

The Rev. Julian Russell 8:00

The Rev. Patrick Lafferty 9:30

The Rev. Bill Lamberth 11:00

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

***Hymn**

“How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”

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1. How deep the Fa - ther's love for us, how
2. Be - hold the man u - pon the cross, my
3. I will not boast in a - ny thing, no



vast be - yond all mea - sure, that He should give His
sin u - pon His shoul - ders; a - shamed, I hear my
gifts, no pow'r, no wis - dom; but I will boast in



on - ly Son to make a wretch His trea - sure. How
mock - ing voice call out a - mong the scof - fers. It
Je - sus Christ, His death and re - sur - rec - tion. Why



great the pain of sear - ing loss: the Fa - ther turns His
was my sin that held Him there un - til it was ac -
should I gain from His re - ward? I can - not give an



face a - way as wounds, which mar the Cho - sen
com - plished; His dy - ing breath has brought me
an - swer, but this I know with all my



One, bring ma - ny sons to glo - ry.
life: I know that it is fin - ished.
heart: His wounds have paid my ran - som.

Why, O LORD, do You stand far away? Why do You hide Yourself in times of trouble? In arrogance the wicked hotly pursue the poor; let them be caught in the schemes that they have devised. For the wicked boasts of the desires of his soul, and the one greedy for gain curses and renounces the LORD. In the pride of his face the wicked does not seek Him; all his thoughts are, "There is no God." He sits in ambush in the villages; in hiding places he murders the innocent.

The helpless are crushed, sink down, and fall by his might. He says in his heart, "God has forgotten, He has hidden His face, He will never see it." Arise, O LORD; O God, lift up Your hand; forget not the afflicted.

Why does the wicked renounce God and say in his heart, "You will not call to account"? But You do see, for You note mischief and vexation, that You may take it into Your hands; to You the helpless commits himself; You have been the helper of the fatherless.

Break the arm of the wicked and evildoer; call his wickedness to account till you find none. The LORD is King forever and ever; the nations perish from His land.

O LORD, You hear the desire of the afflicted; You will strengthen their heart; You will incline Your ear to do justice to the fatherless and the oppressed, so that man who is of the earth may strike terror no more.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

Psalm 32:1-2

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

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

Musical Offering

8:00

Mr. Colin Howland, *organ*

Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, *director*

Jeff Berta, *solo* • Stephen Nielson, *piano*

All day, all night, angels watchin’ over me, my Lord.

Day by day, Your mercies, Lord, attend me, bringing comfort to my anxious soul.

Day by day, the blessings, Lord, You send me, draw me nearer to my heav’nly goal.

*Love divine, beyond all mortal measure, brings to naught the burdens of my quest;
Savior, lead me to the home I treasure, where at last I’ll find eternal rest.*

*Day by day, I know You will provide me strength to serve and wisdom to obey;
I will seek Your loving will to guide me o’er the paths I struggle day by day. I will
fear no evil of the morrow, I will trust in Your enduring grace. Savior help me bear
life’s pain and sorrow till in glory I behold Your face.*

*O what joy to know that You are near me when my burdens grow too great to
bear; oh, what joy to know that You will hear me when I come, O Lord, to You in
prayer. Day by day, no matter what betide me, You will hold me ever in Your hand.
Savior, with Your presence here to guide me, I will reach at last the promised land.*

Angels watchin’ over me day by day.

***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.*

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**

Matthew 5.1-4

*Seeing the crowds, He went up on the mountain, and when He sat down, His
disciples came to Him. ² And He opened His mouth and taught them, saying:
³ “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ⁴ Blessed are
those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.”*

Communion Meditation “Blessed are the poor in spirit;
Blessed are those who mourn”

Mr. Williams 8:00
Mr. Davis 9:30/11:00

*The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

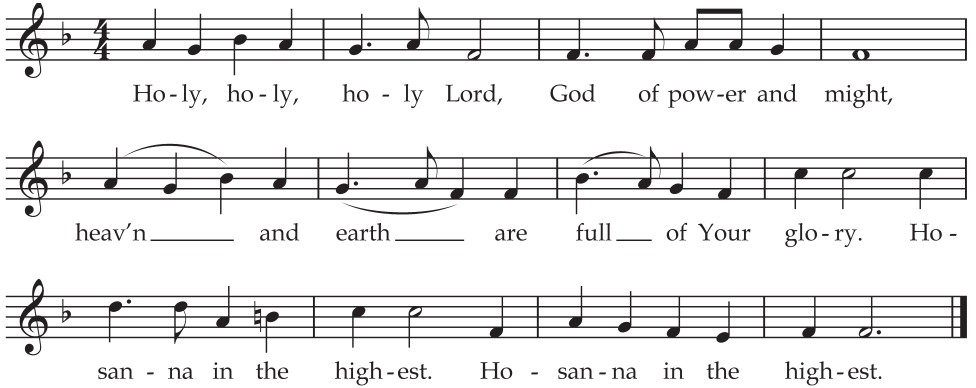
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

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:



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho-
san-na in the high-est. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

*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*

*The Words of Institution

The Communion 8:00

*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 at 8:00,
please use the following hymns for private meditation.*

During the Serving of Communion 9:30/11:00

Please hold the bread and cup, and we will all partake together.

During the bread, please sing

No. 497

"I Need Thee, Precious Jesus"

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During the cup, please sing

"Power of the Cross"

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O, to see the dawn of the dark - est day; Christ on the
O, to see the pain writ - ten on Your face, bear - ing the
Now the day - light flees; Now the ground be - neath quakes as its
O, to see my name writ - ten in the wounds, for through Your
road to Cal - va - ry. Tried by sin - ful men, torn and beat - en,
awe - some weight of sin. Ev - ery bit - ter thought, ev - ery ev - il
Ma - ker bows His head. Cur - tain torn in two, dead are raised to
suf - fer - ing I am free. Death is crushed to death, life is mine to
then nailed to a cross of wood. This the pow'r—
deed crown - ing Your blood - stained brow.
life "Fin - ished!" the vic - t'ry cry.
live, won through Your self - less love!
— of the cross:— 1-3. Christ be - came sin for us.—
4. Son of God slain for us.—
— Took the blame, — bore the wrath; We
— What a love, — what a cost! We
stand for - giv - en at the cross.

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. 498** "Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!"
Stanzas 1, 3, and 5

HYFRYDOL

***The 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.**

**The congregation stands.*

The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving celebration of the birthday of Lois E. Nielson by her children, Carolyne and Stephen Nielson, Kathleen and Niel Nielson, and her grandchildren.

Members of our fellowship at Park Cities Presbyterian Church who have joined the Church Triumphant since our last Communion:

Elsie M. Harris
Travis T. Wallace
Ann Rogers
Sue S. Stuart
Eulila Martin

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.

SERMON NOTES

Matthew 5.1-4

"Blessed are the poor in spirit;
Blessed are those who mourn"

Order of Worship for the Home – The Week of September 11, 2011

Praise

Call to Worship *(everyone together)*

Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright. Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre; make melody to Him with the harp of ten strings!

“How Deep the Father's Love for Us” *(sing or say these words together)*

Please refer to the hymn on page two.

Hearing and Learning God’s Word

Scripture Reading: Matthew 5.1-4 *(one person read the Scripture aloud)*

Questions for Discussion *(may be answered in one worship time or spread over several times)*

1. What does the word blessed mean?
2. What is *poor in spirit*?
3. Why is it important to see ourselves as poor in spirit?
4. What does the phrase mean when it says, “theirs is the kingdom of heaven”?
5. What does it mean to *mourn*?
6. What are we to mourn?
7. How does He comfort us?

Questions for older children

1. To whom was Jesus preaching?
2. How do you see yourself as poor in spirit?
3. What causes you to mourn?
4. How have you known His comfort?

Scripture Memory for September *(memorize these verses of Scripture this month)*

Matthew 6.19-21

Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Prayer

Prayer *(saying together)*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.