

Celebration of the Lord's Table

Park Cities Presbyterian Church October 28, 2012 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

"Come to the Table" Laurie Hargrave, *soloist* • Brian Piper, *piano* Card

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: The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!
People: The LORD is great in Zion; He is exalted over all the peoples. Let them praise Your great and awesome name! Holy is He!
Minister: The King in His might loves justice. You have established equity; You have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.
People: Exalt the LORD our God; worship at His footstool! Holy is He!

Psalm 99.1-5

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

"Holy, Holy, Holy!"

*Hymn 165

"Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim"

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*New Testament Reading: John 6.1-15

Dr. Pete Deison 8:00 The Rev. Julian Russell 9:30 The Rev. Bill Lamberth 11:00

After this Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. ² And a large crowd was following Him, because they saw the signs that He was doing on the sick. ³ Jesus went up on the mountain, and there He sat down with His disciples. ⁴ Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. ⁵ Lifting up His eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward Him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" ⁶ He said this to test him, for He Himself knew what He would do. ⁷ Philip answered Him, "Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." 8 One of His disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to Him, ⁹ *"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for* so many?" ¹⁰ Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. ¹¹ Jesus then took the loaves, and when He had given thanks, He distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹² And when they had eaten their fill, He told His disciples, "Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost." ¹³ So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves left by those who had eaten. ¹⁴ When the people saw the sign that He had done, they said, "This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!" ¹⁵ Perceiving then that they were about to come and take Him by force to make Him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by Himself.

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. 1 Timothy 2.1, 3-4

Public Confession of Sin

O Lord, we know that because You are our Shepherd, we have everything we need; yet we worry and want more. You make us lie down in green pastures, leading us beside quiet waters; yet our hearts are so often restless. You restore our souls; but we want to be self-sufficient and help ourselves. You lead us in paths of righteousness; but we turn our own way. You are present with us even in the deepest darkness; yet we would rather take comfort in our circumstances than in Your presence. O Father, teach us again that we can never be satisfied until we are full of Christ. Thank You that Jesus is the bread that came down from heaven, and in Him we will never hunger nor thirst.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance

He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls. 1 Peter 2.24-25

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Dr. Deison 8:00 Mr. Russell 9:30 Mr. Lamberth 11:00

Musical Offering

8:00

"Someday" Crystal Szoelloesi, soprano Owen

Mr. Davis

9:30/11:00	"Hide Not Thou Thy Face"	Farrant
	Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, director	

Hide not Thou Thy face from us, O Lord, and cast not off Thy servants in Thy displeasure; for we confess our sins unto Thee, and hide not our unrighteousness. For Thy mercy's sake deliver us from all our sins.

Becoming a Communing Member and Coming to the Lord's Table for the First Time

9:30/11:00

Middle School Communicants:

Charlotte Claire Benedict Avery Elizabeth Bowers Jack Prather Brown Robert Earl Cummins Emma Elisabeth Dwyer Ruth Anne Emerson Chase Christopher Ferguson Haley Margaret Hanson Robert McLaurin Higginbotham, Jr. Kirsten Elizabeth Howland Samuel Owen Mitchell Lilian Grace Overton Rebecca Hancock Russell Ashley Olivia Turner Hill Willets Washburne

The Sacrament of Baptism

9:30

Robert McLaurin Higginbotham, Jr.

***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.

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**

John 6.35-71

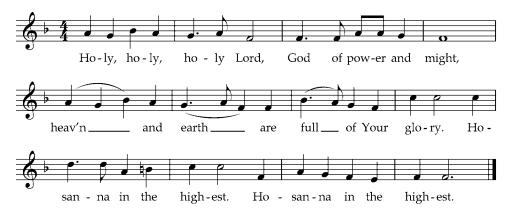
Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to Me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in Me shall never thirst.³⁶ But I said to you that you have seen Me and yet do not believe.³⁷ All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and whoever comes to Me I will never cast out.³⁸ For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will but the will of Him who sent Me.³⁹ And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that I should lose nothing of all that He has given Me, but raise it up on the last day.⁴⁰ For this is the will of My Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in Him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day."

⁴¹ So the Jews grumbled about Him, because He said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." ⁴² They said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does He now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" ⁴³ Jesus answered them, "Do not grumble among yourselves. ⁴⁴ No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. ⁴⁵ It is written in the Prophets, 'And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to Me^{-46} not that anyone has seen the Father except He who is from God; He has seen the Father. ⁴⁷ Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. 48 I am the bread of life. 49 Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰ This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is My flesh." ⁵² The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us His flesh to eat?" ⁵³ So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴ Whoever feeds on My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. ⁵⁵ For My flesh is true food, and My blood is true drink. ⁵⁶ Whoever feeds on My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me, and I in him. 57 As the living Father sent Me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on Me, he also will live because of Me.⁵⁸ This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like the bread the fathers ate and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever." ⁵⁹ Jesus said these things in the synagogue, as He taught at Capernaum. ⁶⁰ When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?" ⁶¹ But Jesus, knowing in Himself that His disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, "Do you take offense at this? ⁶² Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where He was before? ⁶³ It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is no help at all. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴ But there are some of you who do not believe." (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray Him.) 65 And He said, "This is why I told you that no one can come to Me unless it is granted him by the Father." ⁶⁶ After this many of His disciples turned back and no longer walked with Him. ⁶⁷ So Jésus said to the Twelve, "Do you want to go away as well?" ⁶⁸ Simon Peter answered Him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, ⁶⁹ and we have believed, and have come to know, that You are the Holy One of God." ⁷⁰ Jesus answered them, "Did I not choose you, the Twelve? And yet one of you is a devil." ⁷¹ He spoke of Judas the son of Simon Iscariot, for he, one of the Twelve, was going to betray Him.

*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

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:



*Scripture Reading: John 6.22-35

On the next day the crowd that remained on the other side of the sea saw that there had been only one boat there, and that Jesus had not entered the boat with His disciples, but that His disciples had gone away alone. Other boats from Tiberias came near the place where they had eaten the bread after the Lord had given thanks. So when the crowd saw that Jesus was not there, nor His disciples, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum, seeking Jesus. When they found Him on the other side of the sea, they said to Him, "Rabbi, when did You come here?" Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking Me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not labor for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on Him God the Father has set His seal." Then they said to Him, "What must we do, to be doing the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He has sent." So they said to Him, "Then what sign do You do, that we may see and believe You? What work do You perform? Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat."" Jesus then said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but My Father gives you the true Bread from heaven. For the Bread of God is He who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to Him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the Bread of life; whoever comes to Me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in Me shall never thirst."

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 hymn below 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, "I Will Not Leave You Comfortless" Chamber Choir

Titcomb

During the cup, please sing, "How Deep the Father's Love for Us" Townend 1. How deep the Fa - ther's love for us, how vast be-yond all mea -2. Be - hold the man up - on the cross, my sin up - on His shoul an - y - thing, 3. will not boast in no gifts, no pow'r, no wis -I that He should give His on - ly Son to make a wretch His trea sure, ders; a-shamed, I hear my mock-ing voice call out a-mong the scoffwill boast in Je - sus Christ, His death and res - ur - rec dom; but Ι sure. How great the pain of sear - ing loss, the Fa-ther turns His face a ers It was my sin that held Him there un - til it was tion. Why should I gain from His re-ward? I can-not give was ac - com an an way, as wounds which mar the Cho sen plished; breath His dy ing has brought me swer. But this I know with all my 0 d' One bring glo ma ny sons to rv. life: ished. I know that it is fin heart: His wounds have paid my ran som.

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. 598 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" CWM RHONDDA

***The Benediction**

Minister: To Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by His blood and made us a kingdom, priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Revelation 1.5-6
People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Postlude

8:00

Colin Howland, organ

9:30/11:00

"Exultate!" J. Marty Cope, *organ* JM Cope

*The congregation stands.

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

Polly Haynes Betty Franklin

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.

Sermon Notes

John 6.1-15; 22-71 "The Bread of Life Feeds 5,000"

<u>Praise</u>

Call to Worship (everyone together)

The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake! The LORD is great in Zion; He is exalted over all the peoples. Let them praise Your great and awesome name! Holy is He!

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

Please refer to the hymn on page six.

Hearing and Learning God's Word

Scripture Reading: John 6.1-15; 22-71 (one person read the Scripture aloud)

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

- 1. Talk about the feeding of the 5,000. Share what you picture in your mind. What questions would you like to ask those who were there?
- 2. Why do you think there were 12 baskets full of leftovers?
- 3. Why is Jesus called the Bread of life?
- 4. What does Jesus say will happen to those who come to the Bread of life (John 6.35)? What does this mean?

Questions for older children

- 1. Why were people following Jesus?
- 2. Why did some turn away from Jesus (John 6.66)?
- 3. What are some of the connections between John 6.1-15 and John 6.22-71?
- 4. Why is this important?

Scripture Memory for October (memorize these verses of Scripture this month)

Romans 1.16-17

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

<u>Prayer</u>

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.