

ORDER FOR THE Worship of God

PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH August 31, 2014 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 "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

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Come, Christians, join to sing, Alleluia! Amen! Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen! Let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice; Praise is His gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!

*Call to Worship

The Rev. Mark Davis

Minister: Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of

all creation.

People: For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth,

> visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities-all things were created through Him and

for Him.

Minister: And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together.

And He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be

preeminent. Colossians 1.16-18

People: (all singing)

> Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen! Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen! He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll condescend;

His love shall never end. Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen! Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen! On heaven's blissful shore, His goodness we'll adore,

Singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"

*Prayer of Adoration

*Confession of Faith

Dr. Julian Russell 8:00 The Rev. Brent Baker 9:30 The Rev. Bill Lamberth 11:00

People:

Minister: Christian, what is your only comfort, in life and in death? 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 No. 32

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness" Stanzas: 1 and 3

FAITHFULNESS

Scripture Reading

1 Kings 18.17-30

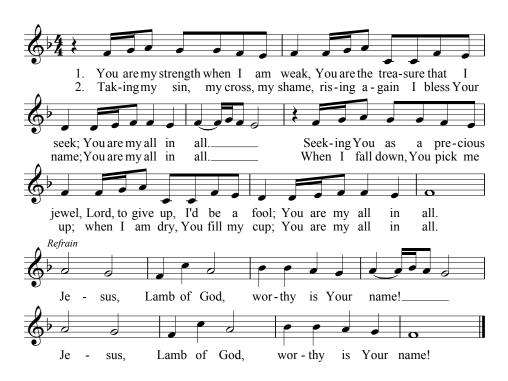
Dr. Russell 8:00 Mr. Baker 9:30

Mr. Lamberth 11:00

Prayer of Confession

O Lord, God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, be the God of Your people today! We confess that we have worshipped all too many other gods. We have devoted ourselves to all too many different values. Turn our hearts to You again! We confess that we have visited all too many sanctuaries. We have tried to find the sources of life in all too many other places. We have made idols of our occupations, our recreations, and our homes. We turn to You, and to You alone, to be our God, our only God. Give us spiritual integrity. Give us wholeness and holiness. Answer us, O Lord, answer us, that we be in truth Your people. All honor and power be to You, O Christ, forever and ever.

Private Confession



Scripture Reading

1 Kings 18.30-46

Dr. Russell 8:00 Mrs. Kay Gabrysch 9:30/11:00

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

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

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Musical Meditation

8:00

Colin Howland, organ

9:30/11:00

"Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing" Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, director

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Now let us all praise God and sing our great Redeemer's praise; that we may all with one accord our joyful voices raise. Sing Alleluia!

All Ye servants of the Lord, praise Him forever, sing Jehovah's mighty power; praise Him forever. Sing of His righteousness, praise Him forever.

*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.

*Scripture Reading

1 Kings 19.1-15a

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ² Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." ³ Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there.

⁴ But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers." ⁵ And he lay down and slept under a broom tree. And behold, an angel touched him and said to him, "Arise and eat." ⁶ And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. And he ate and drank and lay down again. ⁷ And the angel of the LORD came again a second time and touched him and said, "Arise and eat, for the journey is too great for you." ⁸ And he arose and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God.

⁹ There he came to a cave and lodged in it. And behold, the word of the LORD came to him, and He said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" 10 He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken Your covenant, thrown down Your altars, and killed Your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." ¹¹ And He said, "Go out and stand on the mount before the LORD." And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. 12 And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. 13 And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. And behold, there came a voice to him and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" 14 He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts. For the people of Israel have forsaken Your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed Your prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away." 15 And the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus."

The Sermon

"Elijah's Mountaintop Experiences"

Mr. Davis

Worshipers at 9:30 and 11:00, please continue at closing hymn on page six.

*The Great Thanksgiving 8:00 only

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

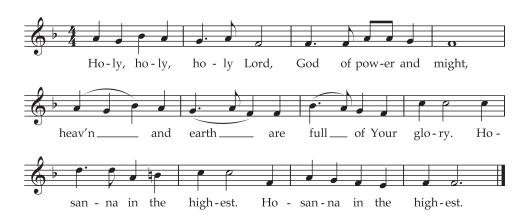
to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty,

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 8:00

*The Words of Institution 8:00

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.

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

*Closing Hymn No. 521 "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" SOLID ROCK *Benediction Minister: Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of His glory with great joy, to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion and authority, before all time and now and forever. Jude 24-25 Thanks be to God! Amen. People: **Postlude** "Toccata in D Minor" I.S. Bach Mr. Howland, organ *The congregation stands. 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.

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The Rev. Mark Davis

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The Rev. Bill Lamberth	The Rev. Paul Goebel
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Sermon Notes

1 Kings 19.1-15a

"Elijah's Mountaintop Experiences"

Order of Worship for the Home – The Week of August 31, 2014

Praise

Call to Worship (everyone together)

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through Him and for Him.

"You Are My All in All" (read or sing these words together)

Please see the hymn on page three.

Hearing and Learning God's Word

Scripture Reading: 1 Kings 19.1-15a (one person read the Scripture aloud)

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

- 1. Where do you see God's power in the story of Elijah?
- 2. Why was Elijah afraid?
- 3. What did Elijah do when Jezebel threatened him?
- 4. Why did Elijah stop under the broom trees?
- 5. How did God minister to Elijah?
- 6. What can we learn from Elijah's prayers?

Questions for older children

- 1. Describe Elijah's spiritual, physical and emotional state in 1 Kings 19.
- 2. How do you see God's care and provision over Elijah?
- 3. Why did Elijah flee?
- 4. What three mountains are significant in Elijah's life?
- 5. How can the story of Elijah help our faith in Jesus?

Scripture Memory for August: (memorize this verse of Scripture this month)

James 5.16

Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.

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.