



ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 14, 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

9:30/11:00

"Of the Father's Love Begotten"

DIVINUM MYSTERIUM



choir Of the Fa-ther's love be - got - ten ere the worlds be - gan_ to be,
choir O ye heights of heav'n a - dore_ Him; an - gel hosts, His prais - es sing;
All Christ, to Thee, with God the Fa - ther, and, O Ho - ly Ghost, to Thee,



He is Al - pha and O - me - ga, He the Source, the End - ing He,
all do - min - ions, bow be - fore_ Him and ex - tol our God_ and King;
hymn, and chant and high thanks - giv - ing, and un - wea - ried prais - es be,



of the things that are, that have _____ been,
let no tongue on earth be si - - - lent,
hon - or, glo - ry, and do - min - - - ion,



and that fu - ture years shall see, ev - er - more and ev - er - more!_
ev - 'ry voice in con - cert ring, ev - er - more and ev - er - more!_
and e - ter - nal vic - to - ry, ev - er - more and ev - er - more!_

*Call to Worship

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00

The Rev. Mark Davis 9:30/11:00

Minister: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

People: Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise! For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods. In His hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are His also. The sea is His, for He made it, and His hands formed the dry land. Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

Psalms 95.1-6

*Prayer of Adoration

*Confession of Faith: John 1.1-13

Dr. Julian Russell 8:00
The Rev. Paul Goebel 9:30
The Rev. Chad Scruggs 11:00

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him was not any thing made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, yet the world did not know Him. He came to His own, and His own people did not receive Him. But to all who did receive Him, who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

*Hymn

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

HYFRYDOL



1. Love Di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n to earth_ come
2. Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - ery trou - bled
3. Come, Al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all Thy life_ re -
4. Fin - ish, then, Thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less let_ us



down. Fix in us_ Thy hum - ble dwell - ing, All Thy faith - ful
breast; let us all_ in Thee in - her - it, let us find the
ceive; sud - den - ly_ re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er - more Thy
be: let us see_ Thy great sal - va - tion per - fect - ly re -



mer - cies crown. Je - sus, Thou art all com - pas - sion, Pure un -
prom - ised rest: take a - way_ the love of sin - ning; Al - pha
tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, serve Thee
stored in Thee; changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, till in



bound - ed love_ Thou art; Vis - it us_ with
and_ O - me - ga be; End_ of faith, as
as_ Thy hosts_ a - bove, pray, and praise Thee,
heav'n we take_ our place, till_ we cast_ our



Thy_ sal - va - tion, En - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
its_ Be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in_ Thy per - fect love.
crowns be - fore_ Thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

Prayer of Confession

O Lord God, Who inhabits eternity, the heavens declare Your glory, the earth Your riches, the universe is Your temple; I thank You for Your riches given to me in Jesus: for the unclouded revelation of Him in Your Word, where I behold His person, character, grace, glory, humiliation, sufferings, death, and resurrection. I come to You in the all-prevailing name of Jesus, with nothing of my own to plead, no works, no worthiness, no promises. I am often straying, often knowingly opposing Your authority, often abusing Your goodness. Impress me deeply with a sense of Your omnipresence, that You are about my path, my ways, my lying down, my end. Subdue in me the love of sin, let me know the need of renovation as well as of forgiveness, in order to serve and enjoy You forever.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Comfort of the Gospel

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him.

John 3.16-17

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Dr. Russell 8:00
Mr. Harry Hargrave, Elder 9:30
Mr. Randy Wood, Elder 11:00

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Musical Meditation

8:00

Mr. Colin Howland, organ

9:30/11:00

"My Eternal King"
Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, director

Marshall

My God, I love Thee; not because I hope for heav'n thereby, nor yet because who love Thee not must die eternally.

Thou, O my Jesus, Thou didst't me upon the cross embrace; for me didst't bear the nails and spear, and manifold disgrace;

Why, then why, O blessed Jesus Christ, should I not love Thee well? Not for the hope of winning heav'n, or of escaping hell;

Not with the hope of gaining aught, not seeking a reward; but as Thyself hast loved me, O everloving Lord!

E'en so I love Thee, and will love, and in Thy praise will sing; solely because Thou art my God, and my Eternal King!

*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

John 20.24-31

Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into His side, I will never believe."

²⁶ Eight days later, His disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷ Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see My hands; and put out your hand, and place it in My side. Do not disbelieve, but believe."

²⁸ Thomas answered Him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen Me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name.

The Morning Sermon "The Gift of Thomas' Doubt"

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

**Worshippers 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!

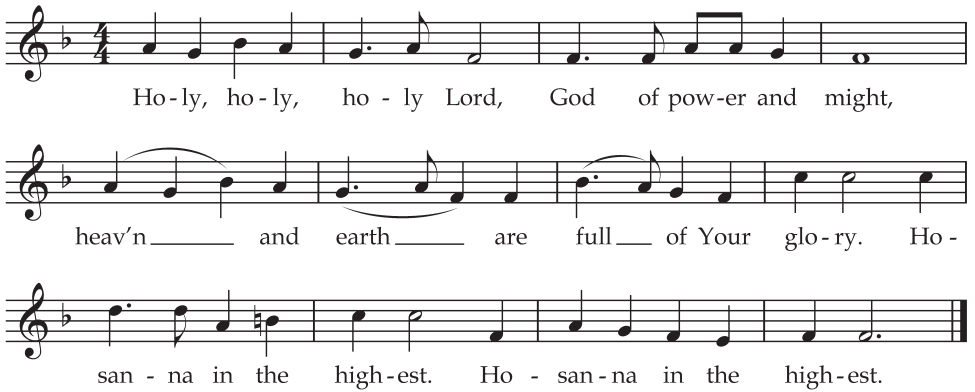
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

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:



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.

***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.

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

***Closing Hymn**

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

arr. Reeves/Tomlin



1. When I sur-vey the_ won - drous cross on which the Prince of_
 2. For - bid it, Lord, that_ I should boast, save in the death of_
 3. See, from His head, His_ hands, His_ feet, sor - row and love flow
 4. Were the whole realm of_ na - ture mine, that were a pre - sent



glo - ry_ died, my rich - est gain I_ count but_ loss,
 Christ my_ God: all the vain things that_ charm me_ most,
 min - gled down: did e'er such love and_ sor - row_ meet,
 far too_ small; love so a - maz - ing, so di - vine,



and pour contempt on all my_ pride. Oh, the won - der - ful cross,
 I sac - ri - fice them to His_ blood.
 or thorns com - pose so rich a_ crown?
 de - mands my soul, my life, my_ all.



— oh, the won - der - ful cross_ bids me come_ and die_ and find



— that_ I_ may tru - ly live. — Oh, the won - der - ful cross,



— oh, the won - der - ful cross, — all_ who gath -



- er here by grace_ draw_ near and bless_ Your name.

***The Benediction**

Minister: The grace of the 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

“Song of Triumph”
 Mr. Howland, *organ*

Howells

**The congregation stands.*

The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God and celebration of the marriage of Lee Ellen Fleming and Thaddeus Darden, as well as in thanks to J. Marty Cope and the Park Cities Presbyterian Chancel Choir and their wonderful talents.

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

John 20.24-31

“The Gift of Thomas’ Doubt”

Order of Worship for the Home – The Week of September 14, 2014

Praise

Call to Worship *(everyone together)*

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” *(read or sing these words together)*

Please see the hymn on page two.

Hearing and Learning God’s Word

Scripture Reading: John 20.24-31 *(one person read the Scripture aloud)*

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

1. Why do we call Thomas “Doubting Thomas”?
2. Why do you think Thomas doubted?
3. Why do you think he said what he said in John 20.25?
4. How does Jesus respond to Thomas’ doubt?
5. What command does Jesus give Thomas?
6. Read John 20.29. What do you think Jesus meant by His statement?

Questions for older children

1. How can you relate to Thomas?
2. What encourages you about Jesus’ response to Thomas?
3. Do you have any doubts? What are they?
4. Why do you think the Lord gives us this story about Thomas?
5. How can our looking at the wounds of Jesus impact our lives?

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

John 1.1-5

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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.