

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Park Cities Presbyterian Church February 1, 2015 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

Call to Worship

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00 The Rev. Chad Scruggs 9:30/11:00

Minister: Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon His name; make known

His deeds among the peoples!

People: Sing to Him, sing praises to Him; tell of all His wondrous

works! Glory in His holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice! Psalm 105.1-3

*Hymn No. 55

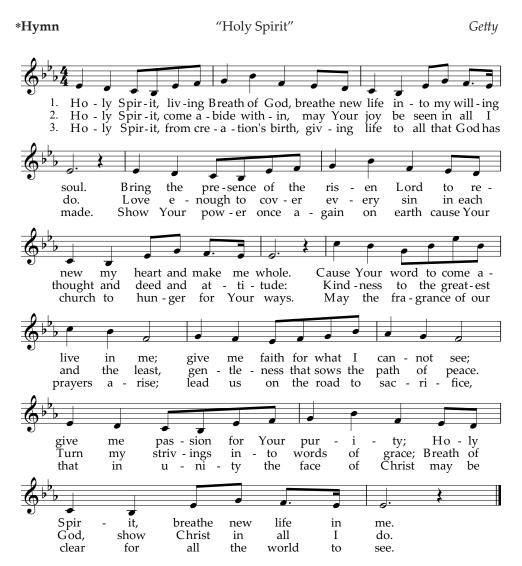
"To God Be the Glory"

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

*Prayer of Adoration

Dr. Mark Fulmer 8:00 The Rev. Brent Baker 9:30 Dr. Julian Russell 11:00

Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord GoD: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of My holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. And I will vindicate the holiness of My great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the LORD, declares the Lord GOD, when through you I vindicate My holiness before their eyes. I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put My Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in My statutes and be careful to obey My rules. You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be My people, and I will be your God.



Prayer of Confession of Sin

O most mighty God, and merciful Father, who has compassion upon all men, and who wills not the death of a sinner, but rather that he should turn from his sin, and be saved; mercifully forgive us our trespasses; receive and comfort us, who are grieved and wearied with the burden of our sins. Your disposition is always to have mercy; it is Your character to forgive sins. Spare us therefore, good Lord, spare Your people, whom You have redeemed; enter not into judgment with Your servants; but so turn Your anger from us, who meekly acknowledge our transgressions, and truly repent of our faults, and so make haste to help us in this world, that we may ever live with You in the world to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance

I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like mist; return to Me, for I have redeemed you.

Isaiah 44.22

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

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

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Musical Meditation

8:00

Colin Howland, organ

9:30/11:00

"I Sing the Greatness of Our God" Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, *director*

Bock

I sing the greatness of our God, that made the mountains rise; that spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies. I sing of the Wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day; the moon shines full at His command, and all the skies obey.

I sing the greatness of our God that filled the earth with food; He formed all creatures with His Word, and then pronounced them good. Lord, how Thy wonders are displayed whereever I turn my eye; if I survey the ground I walk or look up to the sky.

There is no plant or flower below but make Thy glories known; the clouds arise, the tempests blow, by order from Thy throne. While all that borrows life from Thee is ever in Thy care, and everywhere that we can be, Lord, Thou are present there.

*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: Let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were

called in one body; and be thankful. The peace of the Lord be

with you always.

Colossians 3.15

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.

Extending the Kingdom: Sanctity of Human Life

Anna Christian

9:30/11:00

*Scripture Reading

John 3.1-21

Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ² This man came to Jesus by night and said to Him, "Rabbi, we know that You are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him." ³ Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." 4 Nicodemus said to Him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵ Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶ That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' 8 The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." 9 Nicodemus said to Him, "How can these things be?" 10 Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? 11 Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. ¹² If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? 13 No one has ascended into heaven except He who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. 14 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, 15 that whoever believes in Him may have eternal life. 16 "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. 17 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. 18 Whoever believes in Him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. ¹⁹ And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. ²⁰ For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. ²¹ But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God."

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

*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

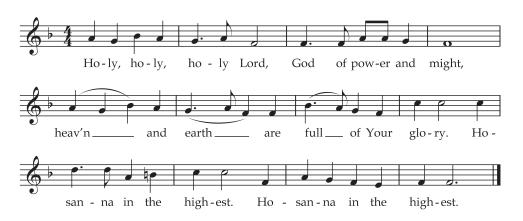
to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty,

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

*Hymn No. 455

"And Can It Be That I Should Gain"

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*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 "Symphony No. 2: Final" Widor
Mr. Howland, organ

*The congregation stands.

Celebrating the Sanctity of Human Life, the flowers in our worship services this morning are given to the glory of God by friends of the Thrive Women's Clinic (formerly DPRC) in honor of the babies saved and the men and women who came into a relationship with Christ in 2014 through this ministry.

The red flowers represent the 220 babies who were saved from the tragedy of abortion, and the white flowers represent the 34 new believers who have come into a relationship with Christ through the ministry.

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.

Senior Pastor

The Rev. Mark Davis

Session/Associate Pastor

Joe Abbate	Mark Fulmer	Mike Skinner
Tommy Bain	Pat Hamner	Jay Turner
Alan Balser	John Hawkins	Tim Wilson
Frank Bullock	Jim Madden	Jeff Wilson
Dr. Pete Deison	Bob McCamey	Randy Wood
Jack Denman	Gil Sheehan	

Assistant Pastors

The Rev. Ron Williams	The Rev. Tommy Overton
The Rev. Bill Lamberth	The Rev. Paul Goebel
Dr. Julian Russell	The Rev. Brent Baker
Dr. Jeff White	The Rev. Chad Scruggs

Executive DirectorJeff Barber

Shepherding Elders

(Elders not currently on the Session but active in ministry at Park Cities Presbyterian Church)

John Bateman	David Franklin	Stephen Nielson
Ron Baxter	David Gowdey	Boots Nowlin
Brad Bradley	Harry Hargrave	Rick Owens
David Burgher	John Harper	Bobby Payne
Rick Bush	Bob Heinonen	Kirk Pogoloff
Kit Case	David Horn	Irv Queal
George Chapman	Ed Jarrett	Bob Rasberry
Jim Chenoweth	Tim Jeffress	Nelson Somerville
Doug Chesnut	Russell Johnson	Dick Steele
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Charles Debter	Don King	Bill Thomas
John Denman	Louie Little	Steve Vanderhill
Curt Dobbs	Bill Mabus	John Vanderveld
Bert Ehrmann	Mike McMahon	Ron Wideman
Bill Farrell	Robert Mighell	Steve Williamson
Paul Flowers	Pat Moore	Arthur Wood
Will Francis	David Newman	

SERMON NOTES

John 3.1-21

"The Mystery of Faith, the Miracle of Love"

Order of Worship for the Home - The Week of February 1, 2015

Praise

Call to Worship (everyone together)

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon His name; make known His deeds among the peoples! Sing to Him, sing praises to Him; tell of all His wondrous works! Glory in His holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

"Holy Spirit" (read or sing these words together)

Please see the hymn on page two.

Hearing and Learning God's Word

Scripture Reading: John 3.1-21 (one person read the Scripture aloud)

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

- 1. Who is Nicodemus?
- 2. What was Nicodemus seeking from Jesus?
- 3. Why was Nicodemus confused by Jesus?
- 4. Can you think of a time when you thought you knew a lot about something, and then found out later that you really did not?
- 5. What does Jesus want Nicodemus to see and understand about Jesus?

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

John 5.19-20

So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of His own accord, but only what He sees the Father doing. For whatever the Father does, that the Son does likewise. ²⁰ For the Father loves the Son and shows Him all that He Himself is doing. And greater works than these will He show Him, so that you may marvel.

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.