



ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MARCH 15, 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

9:30/11:00

"Alleluia, Sing to Jesus"
Jenni Rasberry, *soprano*

arr. Mark Hayes

Call to Worship

Dr. Julian Russell

Minister: Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength! Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name; bring an offering, and come into His courts!

People: Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness; tremble before Him, all the earth! Say among the nations, "The LORD reigns! Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved; He will judge the peoples with equity."

Minister: Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it!

People: Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy before the LORD, for He comes, for He comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness, and the peoples in His faithfulness.

Psalm 96.7-13

*Hymn No. 101

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

TRINITY

*Prayer of Adoration

*Confession of Faith

Dr. Mark Fulmer 8:00
The Rev. Bill Lamberth 9:30
The Rev. Chad Scruggs 11:00

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Nicene Creed

*Hymn

"From the Squalor of a Borrowed Stable"

Townend



1. From the squalor of a borrowed stable,
2. King of heaven now the Friend of sinners,
3. Through the kisses of a friend's betrayal,
4. Now He's standing in the place of honor,
by the Spi - rit and a vir - gin's faith;
hum - ble Ser - vant in the Fath - er's hands,
He was lift - ed on a cru - el cross;
crowned with glo - ry on the high - est throne,
to the an - guish and the shame of scan - dal
filled with pow - er and the Ho - ly Spir - it,
He was pun - ished for a world's trans - gres - sions,
in - ter - ced - ing for His own be - lov - ed
came the Sa - voir of the hu - man race! But the
filled with mer - cy for the bro - ken man. Yes, He
He was suf - fer - ing to save the lost. He_
till His Fath - er calls to bring them home! Then the
skies were filled with the praise of heav'n, shep - herds lis - ten as the
walked my road and He felt my pain, joys and sor - rows that I
fights for breath, He_ fights for me, loos - ing sin - ners from the
skies will part as the trum - pet sounds hope of heav - en or the

an - gels tell of the Gift of God come down to man
 know so well; yet His right - eous steps give me hope a - gain:
 claims of hell; and_ with a shout our_ souls are free:
 fear of hell; but the Bride will run to her Lov - er's arms,

at the dawn - ing of Im - man - u - el.
 I will fol - low my Im - man - u - el!
 death de - feat - ed by Im - man - u - el!
 giv - ing glo - ry to Im - man - u - el!

The Sacrament of Baptism

9:30/11:00

Parental Vows

1. Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God's covenant promises on their behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for their salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your child to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before them a godly example, that you will pray with and for them, that you will teach them the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

Congregational Vow

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of their child?

9:30

11:00

Julia Jane Dawson
 Elizabeth Jane Laughlin
 Mei Lien Claire Rainer
 David Hunter Thompson

William Moses McFarland
 Robert James Maberry
 Kimberly Anne Sprengel

Prayer for the Families

9:30/11:00

Mr. Lamberth 9:30
 Mr. Kirk Pogoloff 11:00



1. Won - der - ful, mer - ci - ful Sav - ior, Pre - cious Re - deem - er and_ Friend,
 2. Coun - sel - or, com - fort - er, keep - er, Spir - it we long to em - brace,
 3. Al - might - y, in - fi - nite Fa - ther faith - ful - ly lov - ing Your own;_



— Who would have thought_ that a Lamb could res - cue the
 — You of - fer hope_ when our hearts have hope - less - ly
 — Here in our weak - ness You find us fall - ing be -



souls of man, Oh, You res - cue the souls of man.
 lost our way, Oh, we've hope - less - ly lost the way.
 fore Your throne, Oh, we're fall - ing be - fore Your throne.

Refrain



You are the one_ that we praise, You are the one_ we a - dore,



— You give the heal - ing and grace our hearts al - ways



hun - ger for, Oh, our hearts al - ways hun - ger for.

Prayer of Confession

O Lord, no day of my life has passed that has not proved me guilty in Your sight. Prayers have been uttered from a prayerless heart; praise has been often praiseless sound; my best services are filthy rags. Lord Jesus, though my sins rise to heaven Your merits soar above them; though unrighteousness weighs me down to hell, Your righteousness exalts me to Your throne. I appeal from the throne of Your perfect justice to Your throne of boundless grace. Grant me to hear Your voice assuring me that I am guilty, but pardoned; lost, but saved; wandering, but found; sinning, but cleansed. Give me perpetual broken heartedness, keep me always clinging to Your cross, flood me every moment with descending grace.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1.8-9

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Dr. Fulmer 8:00
Mr. Lamberth 9:30
Mr. Scruggs 11:00

Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Musical Meditation

8:00

Colin Howland, organ

9:30/11:00

“God So Loved the World”
Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, director

Nygaard

God so loved the world that He gave His only Son. God so loved the world that everyone who would believe in His only Son shall have everlasting life. For God sent not His Son into the world, the world to condemn, but God so loved the world that through His Son the world might be saved.

*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: We are the body of Christ; in one Spirit we were all baptized in one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

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.

*The Scripture Reading

John 5.18-29

Dr. Fulmer 8:00
Mr. Joe Abbate 9:30/11:00

This was why the Jews were seeking all the more to kill Him, because not only was He breaking the Sabbath, but He was even calling God His own Father, making Himself equal with God. ¹⁹ 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. ²¹ For as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whom He will. ²² The Father judges no one, but has given all judgment to the Son, ²³ that all may honor the Son, just as they honor the Father. Whoever does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent Him. ²⁴ Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears My word and believes Him who sent Me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life. ²⁵ “Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. ²⁶ For as the Father has life in Himself, so He has granted the Son also to have life in Himself. ²⁷ And He has given Him authority to execute judgment, because He is the Son of Man. ²⁸ Do not marvel at this, for an hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear His voice ²⁹ and come out, those who have done good to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil to the resurrection of judgment.

**Worshippers at 9:30 and 11:00, please
continue at closing hymns on page seven.**

***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.*

***The Benediction**

Minister: Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen. Ephesians 3.20-21

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Postlude

"Grand Chorus Dialogue"
Mr. Howland, *organ*

Gigout

**The congregation stands.*

The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Christie La Rash on the occasion of her birthday by Mom, Dad, Robert, Caroline, Lindsay, Phillip, Austin and Stella Kate.

The flowers in the narthex are given to the glory of God in honor of the baptism of Elizabeth Jane Laughlin and in loving memory of her twin sister Catherine Reid Laughlin by their grandparents Lisa and Kendall Laughlin and great-grandmother Carolyn Loy.

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 5.18-29

“Sandcastles and Temples”

Order of Worship for the Home – The Week of March 15, 2015

Praise

Call to Worship *(everyone together)*

Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength! Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name; bring an offering, and come into His courts!

“From the Squalor of a Borrowed Stable” *(read or sing these words together)*

Please see the hymn on page two.

Hearing and Learning God’s Word

Scripture Reading: John 5.18-29 *(one person read the Scripture aloud)*

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

1. Why were the Pharisees so angry with Jesus?
2. Why were the Pharisees so concerned with keeping the Law?
3. Why were the Pharisees not happy about the lame man who Jesus healed?
4. How did Jesus respond to these angry Pharisees?
5. What do we learn about Jesus’ character?
6. What do we learn about Jesus’ mission?

Questions for older children

1. When Jesus refers to God as “My Father,” what do you think He is telling us about His relationship with God?
2. From Jesus’ answer, can we see God as Three-in-One?
3. Since Jesus gives life to the dead, can we state with certainty that there is life after death?
4. What does life after death look like for the Believer? for the Un-believer?
5. If Jesus is right about Who He claims to be, what should our response be to Him?

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

John 6.37-40

All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and whoever comes to Me I will never cast out. For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will but the will of Him who sent me. 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. 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.

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.