

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Park Cities Presbyterian Church August 16, 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

"Elegy"

George Thalben-Ball

Call to Worship

Dr. Julian Russell

Minister: He sent from on high, He took me; He drew me out of many

waters.

People: He rescued me from my strong enemy and from those who

hated me, for they were too mighty for me.

Minister: They confronted me in the day of my calamity, but the LORD

was my support.

People: He brought me out into a broad place; He rescued me, because

He delighted in me.

Psalm 18.16-19

*Hymn No. 92

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

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*Confession of Faith

The Rev. Bill Lamberth 9:30
The Rev. Paul Goebel 11:00

Minister: How does the knowledge of God's creation and providence

help us?

People: We can be patient when things go against us,

thankful when things go well,

and for the future we can have good confidence

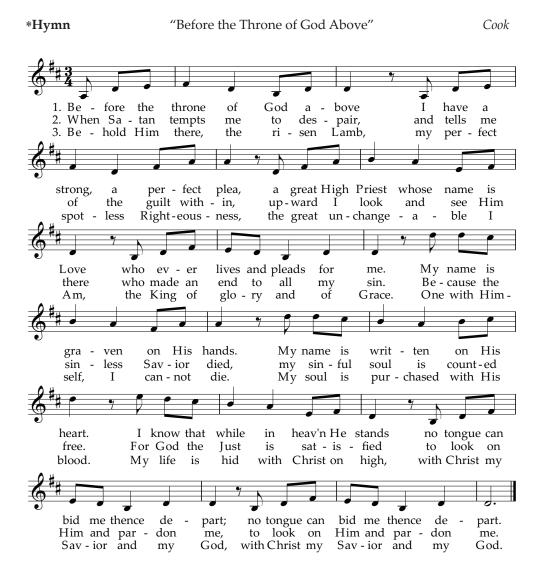
in our faithful God and Father

that nothing in creation will separate us from His love.

For all creatures are so completely in God's hand

that without His will they can neither move nor be moved.

Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 28



The Sacrament of Baptism

9:30/11:00

Parental Vows

- 1. Do you acknowledge your children'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 children 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 these parents in the Christian nurture of their children?

9:30 11:00

Clara Elizabeth Ballard Elizabeth Grace Pogoloff Benjamin James Standish Elizabeth Louise Wilson Hailey Grace Hovitz Isaiah Justice Russell Naomi Sarai Russell

Prayer for the Families

9:30/11:00

Mr. Kirk Pogoloff 9:30 Mr. Goebel 11:00 9:30/11:00



Public Confession of Sin

Almighty God,

we acknowledge that we are unworthy of Your redeeming grace.

We have not believed Your promises,

nor trusted in our living Lord.

Through worldliness of spirit

we have not discerned Your presence with us.

Through disappointment of mind and dejection of spirit, our hearts have not burned within us

as we have heard His Word.

We have not trusted in His redeeming power,

and have been overcome of evil.

We have forgotten the glad tidings of His victory over death, and have not known the things that belong to our peace.

Mercifully restore unto us the joy of Your salvation,

for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

Words of Assurance

For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Overton 8:00 Mr. Lamberth 9:30 Mr. Goebel 11:00

Musical Offering

"Jesus Calls Us" 8:00 arr. Raymond Haan J. Marty Cope, organ

"Abide in Me" Andrew Russell 9:30/11:00

Andrew Russell, solo • Brian Piper, piano

*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: Now in Christ Jesus, we who once were far off have been

brought near by the blood of Christ, for He Himself is our peace. Ephesians 2.13-14

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you. People:

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 16.28-33

Mr. Overton 8:00 Annie Roberson 9:30 Trey Hill 11:00

I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father."

²⁹ His disciples said, "Ah, now You are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech!

³⁰ Now we know that You know all things and do not need anyone to question You; this is why we believe that You came from God."

³¹ Jesus answered them, "Do you now believe?

³² Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave Me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with Me.

 33 I have said these things to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

"Take Heart: I have overcome the world!"

Dr. Russell

Worshipers at 9:30 and 11:00, please continue at closing hymn 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

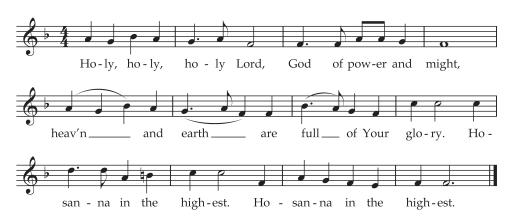
to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty,

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:



*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.

*Benediction

Minister: 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

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Postlude "Exultate" JM Cope Mr. Cope, organ

*The congregation stands.

The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God and in memory of our son, Aaron Chapple Overton, on his birthday from his loving parents, Mary and George Jackson.

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 16.28-33

"Take Heart: I have overcome the world!"

Order of Worship for the Home - The Week of August 16, 2015

Praise

Call to Worship (everyone together)

He sent from on high, He took me; He drew me out of many waters. He rescued me from my strong enemy and from those who hated me, for they were too mighty for me.

"Before the Throne of God Above" (read or sing these words together)

Please see the hymn on page two.

Hearing and Learning God's Word

Scripture Reading: John 16.28-33 (one person read the Scripture aloud)

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

- 1. What does Jesus say about love in vv. 27-28?
- 2. Have you experienced this love? If so, how?
- 3. According to John 16.30, what three things were the disciples sure of concerning Christ?
- 4. Jesus states in verse 32 that the Father is with Him and He is not alone. Where else in the book of John did Jesus say this same thing and what were the circumstances?
- 5. In verse 33, Jesus says we have peace from Him but trouble from the world. Why would anyone choose trouble instead of Jesus' peace?
- 6. What does it mean to you that Jesus has overcome the world?

Questions for older children

- 1. What was it that Jesus did that made the disciples believe that Jesus came from God?
- 2. How do you react to personal failure? To other people's failures?
- 3. Which of Jesus' promises in this chapter mean the most to you? Why?
- 4. How can these promises strengthen us in times of persecution or trial?
- 5. List three reasons Jesus gave in the Gospel of John, Chapter 16, for the things He told His disciples?
- 6. What reason did Jesus give for not telling them more than He did?
- 7. Why should Christians take heart from the fact that Jesus has overcome the world?
- 8. How should this truth affect us as we face the daily struggles of living in this world?

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

John 15.5

"I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in Me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing."

Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (say 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.