



ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 20, 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

The Prelude

8:00

"Jesus Shall Reign"

arr. Raymond Haan

9:30/11:00

"All Things New"
Andrew Peterson, *solo*

Peterson

The Call to Worship

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00
The Rev. Paul Goebel 9:30/11:00

Minister: The LORD has made known His salvation; He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations.

People: **He has remembered His steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.**

Minister: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

People: **Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth break forth into joyous song and sing praises!**

Psalms 98.2-4

***Hymn of Praise No. 235** "All Glory, Laud, and Honor "

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***Prayer of Adoration**

***Profession of Faith**

Dr. Pete Deison 8:00
The Rev. Robby Higginbottom 9:30
The Rev. Chad Scruggs 11:00

O LORD, You have searched me and known me!
You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
You discern my thoughts from afar.
You search out my path and my lying down
and are acquainted with all my ways.
Even before a word is on my tongue,
behold, O LORD, You know it altogether.
You hem me in, behind and before,
and lay Your hand upon me.
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is high; I cannot attain it.
For You formed my inward parts;
You knitted me together in my mother's womb.
I praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
Wonderful are Your works;
my soul knows it very well.

Psalm 139.1-6, 13-14

***Hymn No. 660**

“O God beyond All Praising”

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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

Lucas Jack Luna

Madeleine Mahallie Rotenberry

Prayer for the Family

9:30/11:00



1. There is a Re - deem - er, Je - sus, God's own Son, _____
2. Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, name a - bove all names, _____



pre-cious Lamb of God, Mes-si-ah, Ho - ly One.
pre-cious Lamb of God, Mes-si-ah, hope for sin - ners slain.



Thank you, O my Fa - ther, for giv - ing us Your Son; _____ and



leav - ing Your Spir - it 'til the work on earth is done.

Public Confession of Sin

Search me, O God, and know my heart!

Try me and know my thoughts!

Psalm 139.23

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin!

For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.

Against You, You only, have I sinned
and done what is evil in Your sight,
so that You may be justified in Your words
and blameless in Your judgment.

Psalm 51.2-4

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

The LORD your God is in your midst,
a mighty one who will save;
He will rejoice over you with gladness;
He will quiet you by His love;
He will exult over you with loud singing.

Zephaniah 3.17

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Dr. Deison 8:00
Mr. Higginbottom 9:30
Mr. Scruggs 11:00

Musical Offering

8:00

“The Rejoicing”
J. Marty Cope, organ

G.F. Handel

9:30/11:00

“And the Father Will Dance”
Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, director • Stephen Nielson, piano

Mark Hayes

And the Father will dance over you in joy! He will take delight in whom He loves; is that a choir I hear singing the praises of God? No, the Lord God Himself is exulting over you in song!

My soul will make its boast in God, for He has answered all my cries. His faithfulness to me is as sure as the dawn of a new day. Awake my soul, and sing! Let my spirit rejoice in God!

Sing, O daughter of Zion, with all of your heart! Cast away fear for you have been restored! Put on the garment of praise as on a festival day. Join with the Father in glorious, jubilant song.

*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.

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.

Solo

9:30/11:00

“Romans 11” (Doxology)
Andrew Peterson

Peterson

*Oh, the depths of the riches
And the wisdom and knowledge of God
How unsearchable His judgments
How untraceable His paths*

*Who knows the mind of our God?
Who could bring counsel to Him?
Who has given to God
That God should repay?*

For from Him, through Him to Him is everything.

To God be the glory forever and ever. To God be the glory forever, amen!

*The Scripture Reading

James 1.5-8

If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him.

⁶ *But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind.*

⁷ *For that person must not suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord;*

⁸ *he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.*

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.*

***Closing Hymn**

"Power of the Cross"

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1. O, to see the dawn of the dark - est day; Christ
 2. O, to see the pain writ - ten on Your face, bear -
 3. Now the day - light flees; Now the ground be - neath quakes
 4. O, to see my name writ - ten in the wounds, for



on the road to Cal - va - ry. Tried by sin - ful men,
 ing the awe - some weight of sin. Ev - 'ry bit - ter thought,
 as its Ma - ker bows His head. Cur - tain torn in two,
 through Your suf - f'ring I am free. Death is crushed to death,



torn and beat - en, then nailed to a cross of wood. ____
 ev - 'ry e - vil deed crown - ing Your blood - stained brow. ____
 dead are raised to life— "Fin - ished!" the vic - t'ry cry. ____
 life is mine to live, won through Your self - less love! ____

Refrain



(v1-3) This the pow'r ____ of the cross: ____ Christ be - came ____ sin for us. ____
 (v4) This the pow'r ____ of the cross: ____ Son of God ____ slain for us. ____



Took the blame, ____ bore the wrath; We stand for - gi - ven at the cross.
 What a love, ____ what a cost! We stand for - gi - ven at the cross.

***Benediction**

Minister: And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you,
 that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will
 in all spiritual wisdom and understanding,
 so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord,
 fully pleasing to Him,
 bearing fruit in every good work
 and increasing in the knowledge of God. Colossians 1.9-10

People: **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

Postlude

"Processional"
Mr. Cope, organ

William Mathias

**The congregation stands.*

*The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God
and in honor of the birthday of Margaret Ann Wunderlich Purse.*

Park Cities Presbyterian Church exists to extend the transforming presence of the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ in Dallas and to the world.

Senior Pastor

The Rev. Mark Davis

Session/Associate Pastors

Joe Abbate	Eric Horan	Scruggs
Dr. Pete Deison	Houston Hunt	Gil Sheehan
Jack Denman	Jim Madden	Mike Skinner
Mark Fulmer	Bob McCamey	Jay Turner
The Rev. Paul Goebel	Gregory Morris	Jeff Wilson
Pat Hamner	Boots Nowlin	Tim Wilson
John Hawkins	The Rev. Chad	

Assistant Pastors

The Rev. Ron Williams	The Rev. Tommy Overton
The Rev. Bill Lamberth	The Rev. Brent Baker
Dr. Julian Russell	The Rev. Robby Higginbottom
Dr. Jeff White	The Rev. Matthew Fray

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

James 1.5-8

“The Gracious Wisdom of God”

Order of Worship for the Home – The Week of September 20, 2015

Praise

Call to Worship (*everyone together*)

The LORD has made known His salvation; He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations. He has remembered His steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

“Power of the Cross” (*read or sing these words together*)

Please see the hymn on page six.

Hearing and Learning God’s Word

Scripture Reading: James 1.5-8 (*one person read the Scripture aloud*)

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

1. What is wisdom? How is wisdom different than intelligence?
2. How does a person get wisdom?
3. What does wisdom have to do with faith?
4. What does wisdom have to do with worship?

Questions for older children

1. Why should we pray for wisdom?
2. How is wisdom more like faith than human reason?
3. Why is *Christ crucified* foolishness to the world?
4. How does the cross of Jesus Christ display the gracious wisdom of God?

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

James 1.2-4

Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, ³ for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. ⁴ And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in 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.