

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Park Cities Presbyterian Church October 4, 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	"Blessed Jesus, We Are Here"	J.S. Bach
9:30/11:00	"My Spirit Be Joyful" from Cantata No. 146	J.S. Bach

The Call to Worship

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00 The Rev. Mark Davis 9:30/11:00

Minister: Your righteousness, O God, reaches the high heavens. **People:** You who have done great things, O God, who is like You?

Minister: I will also praise You with the harp for Your faithfulness, O

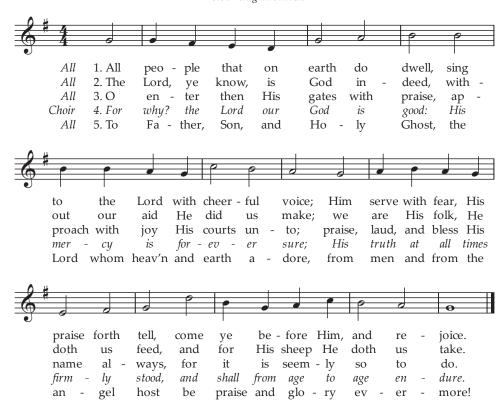
my God;

People: I will sing praises to You with the lyre, O Holy One of Israel.

Minister: My lips will shout for joy, when I sing praises to You;

People: My soul also, which You have redeemed. Psalm 71.19, 22-23

8:00 - sing all stanzas



*Prayer of Adoration

*Profession of Faith

Dr. Pete Deison 8:00 The Rev. Brent Baker 9:30 The Rev. Robby Higginbottom 11:00

God's plan, arising out of His eternal love for us,
from the beginning of the world to the present time
has been powerfully carried out
and will also be carried out in the future,
the gates of hell seeking vainly to prevail against it.

As a result, God's people are gathered into one,
all in their own time,
and there is always a church of believers founded on Christ's blood,
a church which steadfastly loves,
persistently worships,
and here and in all eternity praises Him as her Savior
who laid down His life for her on the cross,
as a bridegroom for his bride.

Canons of Dort, from Section 2, Article 9

*Hymn of Assurance No. 644 "May the Mind of Christ My Savior" ST. LEONARDS

Public Confession of Sin

O most great, most just and gracious God; You are of purer eyes than to behold iniquity, but You have promised mercy through Jesus Christ to all that repent and believe in Him. We confess that we have all sinned and come short of the glory of God. We have neglected Your holy worship. We have not sought first Your kingdom. You have revealed Your wonderful love to us in Christ and offered us pardon and salvation in Him, but we have turned away. We have run into temptation, and the sin that we should have hated, we have committed. Have mercy on us, most merciful Father! In Your Son is our salvation, in Your promises our hope. Take us for Your children and give us the Spirit of Your Son, through Jesus Christ our only Savior.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and Your dominion endures throughout all generations. The LORD is faithful in all His words and kind in all His works. The LORD upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down.

Psalm 145.13-14

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

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

Musical Offering

8:00 "How Firm a Foundation" FOUNDATION
Mr. Nielson, piano arr. S. Nielson

9:30/11:00 "God Is Our Refuge and Strength" Allen Pote Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, director • Stephen Nielson, piano

God is our refuge and strength; a present help in time of trouble. Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea, thought the waters roar and foam, we will not fear.

Come and behold the work of the Lord, the awesome acts of God. He is in the midst of His people, in all the earth. He is the Word, He is our rock; He will lead us. He is the Lord, the Lord of Hosts, He will cause the wars to cease. He is our strength.

*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,

so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

The peace of the Lord be with you always. Romans 15.13

People: And also with you.

The Service of Friendship

THE COMMISSIONING OF SUE AND RICHARD FOR MISSIONARY SERVICE

9:30/11:00

Commissioning Questions

The Rev. Mark Davis

- 1. Have you been compelled, as far as you know your own heart, to seek missionary service from love to God and a sincere desire to promote His glory in the Gospel of His Son?
- 2. Do you promise to be zealous and faithful in maintaining the truth of the Gospel and the purity and peace of the church, whatever persecution or opposition may arise unto you on that account?
- 3. Do you engage to be faithful and diligent in the exercise of all your duties as a Christian and a missionary, whether personal or relative, private or public; and to endeavor by the grace of God to adorn the profession of the Gospel in your manner of life, and to walk with exemplary piety before those whom you serve?
- 4. Are you willing to accept commissioning as a missionary of Park Cities Presbyterian Church as your home church and, therefore, are you willing to submit to the counsel, direction and authority of PCPC?
- 5. Do you, relying upon God for strength, promise to discharge the duties God shall set before you through your mission agency and through PCPC?

Question to the Congregation:

Do you, the people of this congregation, promise, as the Lord leads and enables you, to pray for Sue and Dick, and to encourage and support them in their labors, recognizing them as PCPC's ambassadors?

The Commissioning Prayer

Dr. Julian Russell 9:30 Mr. Jack Denman 11:00

*The Scripture Reading

James 1.12-16

Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love Him.

¹³ Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and He Himself tempts no one.

¹⁴ But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire.

¹⁵ Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.

¹⁶ Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers.

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

Worshipers at 9:30 and 11:00, please continue at the 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

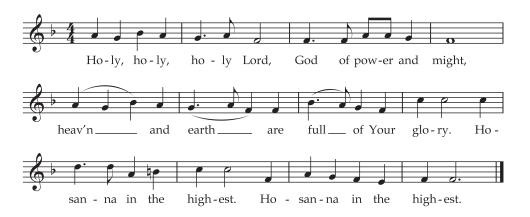
to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty,

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:



*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.

Musical Meditation

9:30/11:00

"He Rescued Me" Brianne Coleston, soloist Murphy

*Closing Hymn No. 648

"My Jesus, I Love Thee"

CARITAS

*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.

II Corinthains 13.14

Postlude

8:00 "Let All Things Now Living" ASHGROVE Mr. Nielson, piano arr. S. Nielson

9:30/11:00 Postlude on "Beach Spring" arr. Dale Wood
Mr. Cope, organ

The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Grant Hunter Gehlbach's 12th birthday. Love, Mom and Dad.

"To this end we always pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of His calling and may fulfill every resolve for good and every work of faith by His power, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in Him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ." 2 Thessalonians 1.11-12

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

Musicians assisting in worship this morning:

Tim Andersen, trumpet

James Sims, trumpet

Andrew House, trumpet

^{*}The congregation stands.

Find your Sunday Morning Community

NURSERY

(BIRTH-18 MONTHS)

Visitors, please check in at red desk **A**

PRESCHOOL (2 YR.-K)

Visitors, please check in at red desk **B**

ELEMENTARY-BIBLE EXPLORERS

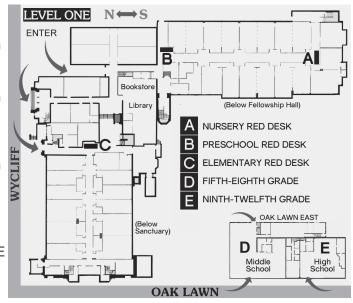
Visitors, please check in at red desk **C**

FIFTH-EIGHTH GRADE

11:00 am Sunday School in Oak Lawn East **D**

NINTH-TWELFTH GRADE

11:00 am Sunday School in Oak Lawn East **E**



A nursing mothers' room with livestream of the worship service is on the lower level beneath the Narthex.

Adult Communities

ALL AGES WELCOME IN ALL CLASSES!

Adults & Adult Families

GO GROUP

Singles & couples 8:00 am. Room 305

BELIEVERS' FELLOWSHIP

Empty nesters & singles

9:30 am. Oak Lawn West

GOOD SHEPHERD'S FELLOWSHIP

Couples, singles & families

9:30 am, Room 301

VERITAS

Couples & singles

9:30 am, Room 262

COVENANT

Empty nesters & singles

11:00 am, Room 261

KALEO

Singles & young families

11:00 am, Room 263

NEW CREATIONS

Couples & singles

11:00 am, Room 262

SHEPHERDS OF SOULS

Couples & singles

11:00 am, Room 300

VINEYARD

Couples & singles, 30s, 40s, 50s 11:00 am, Oak Lawn West

Young Adults & Families

YOUNG ADULTS

Singles, couples & starter families 11:00 am, Room 301

Senior Adults

KOINONIA

8:15 am, Room 303

GOOD NEWS

9:30 am, Room 263

Special Interest

NEW DAY

9:30 am. Room 261

WOMEN OF GRACE

9:30 am (2nd & 3rd Sundays only) Room 303

To learn more, visit: www.pcpc.org/communities

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SERMON NOTES

James 1.12-16

"Temptation's Temptation"

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.

Order of Worship for the Home - The Week of October 4, 2015

Praise

Call to Worship (everyone together)

Your righteousness, O God, reaches the high heavens. You who have done great things, O God, who is like You? I will also praise You with the harp for Your faithfulness, O my God.

"The Old Hundredth Psalm Tune" (read or sing these words together)

Please see the hymn on page three.

Hearing and Learning God's Word

Scripture Reading: James 1.12-16 (one person read the Scripture aloud)

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

- 1. What is temptation?
- 2. Describe different ways we are tempted?
- 3. According to this passage, who can we not blame for temptation and who must we blame?
- 4. How can we battle temptation?

Questions for older children

- 1. What does temptation promise and what does temptation deliver?
- 2. Where is temptation born and what does it give birth to?
- 3. What are the ways we must battle temptation?
- 4. How does Jesus help us?

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

James 1.22-25

But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. ²³ For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. ²⁴ For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. ²⁵ But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.

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.