



## ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OCTOBER 11, 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.*

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### ***We Prepare Our Hearts***

*"The LORD is in His holy temple;  
let all the earth keep silence before Him."*

*Habakkuk 2.20*

#### **The Prelude**

*"Thanks Be to God"*  
Stephen Nielson, *piano*

*G. F. Handel*  
*arr. S. Nielson*

#### **The Call to Worship**

Dr. Pete Deison

Minister: It is good to give thanks to the LORD,

**People: to sing praises to Your name, O Most High;**

Minister: to declare Your steadfast love in the morning,

**People: and Your faithfulness by night,**

Minister: to the music of the lute and the harp,

**People: to the melody of the lyre.**

Minister: For You, O LORD, have made me glad by Your work;

**People: at the works of Your hands I sing for joy.**

Psalm 92.1,2,4

**\*Hymn of Praise No. 4** "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above" *MIT FREUDEN ZART*  
Stanzas: 1, 2, 4, 6

#### **\*Prayer of Adoration**

**\*Profession of Faith**

The Rev. Bill Lamberth 8:00

The Rev. Brent Baker 9:30

Dr. Julian Russell 11:00

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;**

**who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,**

**born of the virgin Mary,**

**suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

**was crucified, dead and buried;**

**He descended into hell.**

**The third day He rose again from the dead.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.**

**From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost;**

**the holy catholic church;**

**the communion of saints;**

**the forgiveness of sins;**

**the resurrection of the body;**

**and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Apostles' Creed

**\*Hymn**

*"Jesus Is Our King"*

*POST GREEN*

*Refrain*



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! O - pen - ing our hearts to Him, sing - ing



al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is our King!



Cre - ate in us, O God, A hum - ble heart that sets us free to pro -  
We bear the name of Christ. Jus - ti - fied we meet with Him. His  
Let kin - dred voic - es join, hon - or - ing the Lamb of God who  
Pour out Your Spir - it on us, em - pow' - ring us to live as one, to



claim the won - drous maj - es - ty of our Fa - ther in hea - ven.  
words and pre - sence calm our fear, re - veal - ing God, our Fa - ther, here.  
teach - es us by bread and wine the mys - tery of His bo - dy.  
car - ry Your re - deem - ing love to a world en - slaved by sin.

**Musical Meditation** *"Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me"*

*K. Lee Scott*

9:30/11:00

High School Ensemble and Covenant Choir

Lynda Fray, director • Lexi Jones, piano

*Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would gracious be; help me now Thy grace to see, I would be like Thee; and, with words that help and heal, Thy life would mine reveal; and, with actions bold and meek, for Christ, my Savior, speak.*

*Truthful Spirit, dwell with me, I would truthful be; help me now Thy truth to see, I would be like Thee; and, with wisdom kind and clear, Thy life in mine appear; and, with actions brotherly, speak Christ's sincerity.*

*Holy Spirit, dwell with me, I would holy be; show Thy mercy tenderly, make me more like Thee; separate from sin, I would and cherish all things good, and whatever I can be give Him who gave me Thee.*

*Please sing when so directed.*

Might - y Spir - it, dwell with me, I would might - y be;  
help my now Thy pow'r to see, I would be like Thee;  
'gainst all weap-ons hell can wield, be Thou my strength and shield;  
let Thy word my weap - on be, Lord, Thine the vic - to - ry!

### Public Confession of Sin

**O Lord God, Who inhabits eternity,  
the heavens declare Your glory,  
the earth Your riches,  
the universe is Your temple;**

**I thank You for Your riches given to me in Jesus:  
for the unclouded revelation of Him in Your Word,  
where I beheld His person, character, grace, glory,  
humiliation, sufferings, death, and resurrection.**

**I come to You in the all-prevailing name of Jesus,  
with nothing of my own to plead,  
no works, no worthiness, no promises.**

**I am often straying, often knowingly opposing Your authority,  
often abusing Your goodness.**

**Subdue in me the love of sin,  
let me know the need of renovation as well as of forgiveness,  
in order to serve and enjoy You forever.**

### Private Confession

### Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

John 3.16



<sup>11</sup> you will be enriched in everything for all liberality, which through us is producing thanksgiving to God. <sup>12</sup> For the ministry of this service is not only fully supplying the needs of the saints, but is also overflowing through many thanksgivings to God. <sup>13</sup> Because of the proof given by this ministry, they will glorify God for your obedience to your confession of the gospel of Christ and for the liberality of your contribution to them and to all, <sup>14</sup> while they also, by prayer on your behalf, yearn for you because of the surpassing grace of God in you. <sup>15</sup> Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!

**The Sermon**

“The Grace of Generosity —  
Why God Loves Cheerful Giving”

Dr. Deison

Worshippers 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!

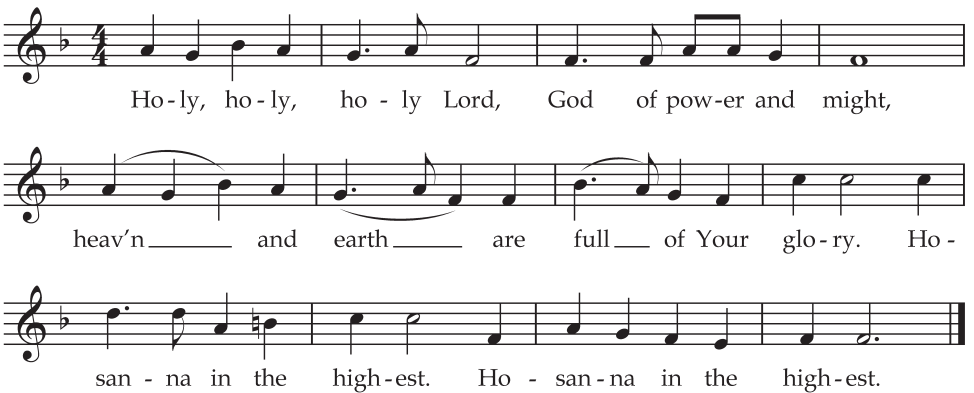
**People: We lift them up to the Lord!**

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:**



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.*

\*Benediction

Minister: To Him who loves us  
and has freed us from our sins by His blood  
and made us a kingdom,  
priests to His God and Father,  
to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Revelation 1.5b-6  
People: **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

Postlude

“Sing Praise to God”

arr. Neil Harmon

*We welcome guest organist Amy Stewart to our services this morning.*

\*The congregation stands.

*The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God.*

*“And my God will supply all your needs according to  
His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.” Philippians 4.19*

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

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**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.**

# 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

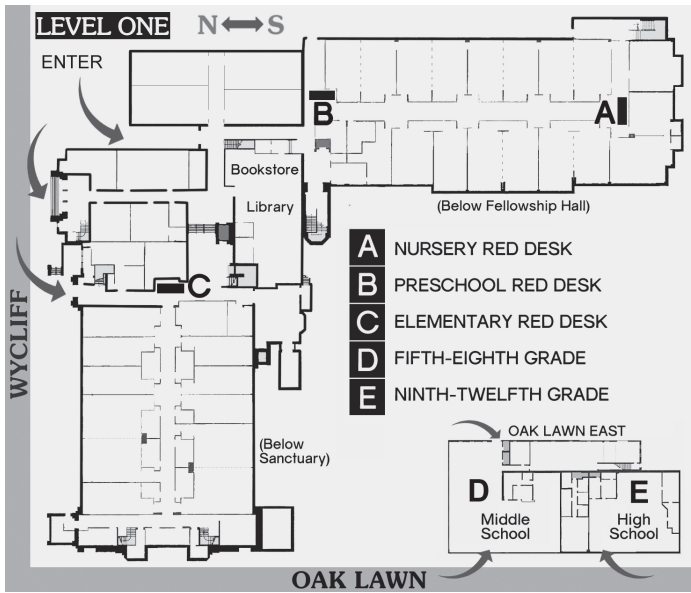
Visitors, please check in at red desk **C**

## 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](http://www.pcpc.org/communities)

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214-224-2736

## SERMON NOTES

Philippians 4.15-17, 19; 1 Timothy 6.17-19; 2 Corinthians 9.6-15

“The Grace of Generosity—Why God Loves Cheerful Giving”

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### **2 Corinthians Teaches That Giving Generously:**

- is sowing 9:6-10
- is to be purposeful 9:7
- is the result of grace 9:7
- creates an harvest of righteousness 9:10
- enriches your capacity and desire 9:11
- produces praise and thanksgiving to God 9:11-15
- is the evidence of obedience 9:13

### **How do I become a generous giver?**

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Google or YouTube: “Hand Full of Rice” — a short video



## Order of Worship for the Home – The Week of October 11, 2015

### Praise

#### **Call to Worship** *(everyone together)*

It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to Your name, O Most High; to declare Your steadfast love in the morning, and Your faithfulness by night, to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre. For You, O LORD, have made me glad by Your work; at the works of Your hands I sing for joy.

Psalm 92.1,2,4

#### **“Jesus Is Our King”** *(read or sing these words together)*

Please see the hymn on page two.

### Hearing and Learning God’s Word

**Scripture Reading:** See selections on page four. *(one person read the Scripture aloud)*

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

1. Jesus said it is more blessed (good) to give than receive. What does that mean?
2. How is Jesus an example of generosity (happy giving)?
3. Why does God love a happy giver?
4. What is it hard to give?

#### **Questions for older children**

1. What does Paul mean when he says, “God will supply all my needs”?
2. How does generous giving build a treasure for us in heaven?  
(1 Timothy 6.19; Philippians 4.17)
3. Why does cheerful giving make God happy?
4. Why does God supply me with abundance? (2 Corinthians 9.8)

**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. <sup>23</sup> 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. <sup>24</sup> For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. <sup>25</sup> 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.