



ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OCTOBER 18, 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 Paid It All"
Stephen Nielson, *piano*

ALL TO CHRIST
arr. S. Nielson

9:30/11:00

"Allegro Moderato"
Joseph Kuipers, *cello* • Alex McDonald, *piano*

Ola Gjeilo

The Call to Worship

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00
The Rev. Chad Scruggs 9:30/11:00

Minister: The LORD reigns; He is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed; He has put on strength as His belt. Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved.

People: **Your throne is established from of old; You are from everlasting.**

Minister: The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their roaring.

People: **Mightier than the thunders of many waters, mightier than the waves of the sea, the LORD on high is mighty!**

Psalms 93.1-4



1. Christ tri - um - phant, ev - er reign - ing,
 2. Word in - car - nate, truth re - veal - ing,
 3. Suf - f'ring ser - vant, scorned ill - treat - ed,
 4. Priest - ly king, en - throned for - ev - er
 5. So, our hearts and voic - es rais - ing



Sa - vior, Mas - ter, King! Lord of heaven, our
 Son of man on earth: Power and maj - es -
 vic - tim cru - ci - fied! Death is through the
 high in heaven a - bove! Sin and death and
 through the a - ges long, cease - less - ly u -



lives sus - tain - ing, hear us as we sing.
 ty con - ceal - ing by Your hum - ble birth.
 cross de - feat - ed, sin - ners jus - ti - fied.
 hell shall nev - er sti - fle hymns of love.
 pon You gaz - ing, this shall be our song.



Yours the glo - ry and the crown, the



high re - nown, the e - ter - nal name.

*Prayer of Adoration

*Profession of Faith

The Rev. Tommy Overton 8:00

The Rev. Mark Davis 9:30/11:00

All those who are justified God graciously guarantees
 to make partakers of the grace of adoption
 in and for His only Son, Jesus Christ.

By this act they are taken into the number of God’s children
 and enjoy the liberties and privileges of that relationship;
 they are given His name;
 they receive the Spirit of adoption;
 they have access to the throne of grace with boldness;
 and they are enabled to cry, “Abba, Father.”

Like a father, God has compassion on,
 protects, provides for, and chastens them;
 yet, they will never be cast off,
 but are sealed to the day of redemption,
 and will inherit the promises as heirs of everlasting salvation.

Westminster Confession, Chapter 12



1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my
 2. In Christ a - lone who took on flesh, full - ness of God in help - less
 3. There in the ground His bo - dy lay, light of the world in dark - ness
 4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in



song; this Cor - ner - stone, this so - lid Ground, firm through the
 babe! This gift of love and right - eous - ness, scorned by the
 slain: then burst - ing forth in glo - rious Day up from the
 me; from life's first cry to fi - nal breath, Je - sus com -



fier - cest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of
 ones He came to save: till on that cross as Je - sus
 grave He rose a - gain! And as He stands in vic - to -
 mands my des - ti - ny. No power of hell, no scheme of



peace, when fears are stilled, when striv - ings cease! My Com - for -
 died, the wrath of God was sat - is - fied, for ev - ery
 ry sin's curse has lost its grip on me, for I am
 man, can ev - er pluck me from His hand; till He re -



ter, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.
 sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.
 His and He is mine: bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.
 turns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

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

Anna Grace Ganier
Jane Moreland Haley
Spencer Thomas Moss, Jr.
James Joseph Perkins
Kate Harper Williams

Ella Frances Coates
Hudson Christopher Hawkins

Prayer for the Families

9:30/11:00

Hymn

“Jesus Cast a Look on Me”

Berridge/Jones

9:30/11:00



Solo 1. Je - sus, cast a ___ look on _____ me,
All 2. All that feeds my ___ bu - sy _____ pride,
All 3. Make me like a ___ lit - tle _____ child,
All 4. Lean - ing on ___ Thy lov - ing _____ breast,



Give me sweet sim - pli - ci - - ty;
Cast it ev - er - more a - - side;
Of my strength and wis - dom _____ spoiled;
Where a wear - y ___ soul may _____ rest;



Make me poor and ___ keep me ___ low, ___
Bid my will to ___ Thine sub - mit, ___
See - ing on - ly ___ in ___ Thy light,
Feel - ing well the ___ peace of ___ God,



Seek - ing on - ly ___ Thee to ___ know. ___
Lay me humb - ly ___ at ___ Thy feet. ___
Walk - ing on - ly ___ in ___ Thy might. ___
Flow - ing from His ___ pre - cious blood. ___

Public Confession of Sin

Awesome and compassionate God,
You have loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy,
but we have not loved You.
You constantly call us, but we do not listen.
You ask us to love, but we walk away from neighbors in need,
wrapped in our own concerns.
We condone evil.
God of grace, as You come to us in mercy,
we repent in spirit and in truth,
admit our sin, and gratefully receive Your forgiveness
through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

I acknowledged my sin to You, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and You forgave the iniquity of my sin. You are a hiding place for me; You preserve me from trouble; You surround me with shouts of deliverance. Psalm 32.5, 7

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

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

Musical Offering

8:00	"How Great Thou Art" Mr. Nielson, <i>piano</i>	O STORE GUD <i>arr. S. Nielson</i>
9:30/11:00	"Fight the Good Fight with All Thy Might" Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, <i>director</i> • Alex McDonald, <i>piano</i>	<i>John Gardner</i>

*Fight the good fight With all thy might; Christ is thy Strength and Christ thy right. Lay hold on life, and it shall be thy joy and crown eternally.
Run the straight race through God's good grace; lift up thine eyes and seek His face. Life with its way before us lies; Christ is the Path and Christ the Prize.
Cast care aside; lean on thy Guide: His boundless mercy will provide; trust, and thy trusting soul shall prove—Christ is its Life and Christ its Love.
Faint not, nor fear, His arms are near; He changeth not, and thou art dear; only believe, and thou shalt see that Christ is all in all to thee. Amen.*

*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory both now and in the day of eternity.
The peace of the Lord be with you always. 2 Peter 3.18

People: **And also with you.**

Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. ¹⁷ Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸ Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures.

¹⁹ Know this, my beloved brothers: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger; ²⁰ for the anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God. ²¹ Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls. ²² 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. ²⁶ If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless. ²⁷ Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

The Sermon

“Growing Up, Part 1: Quick to Hear”

Mr. Williams 8:00

Mr. Scruggs 9:30/11:00

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



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 No. 642**

*"Be Thou My Vision"
Stanzas: 1-2, 4-5*

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***Benediction**

Minister: The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace. Numbers 6.24-26

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

Postlude

8:00

*"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"
Mr. Nielson, piano*

*EIN' FESTE BURG
arr. S. Nielson*

9:30/11:00

*"ODE TO JOY"
Mr. Cope, organ*

arr. David Cherwien

**The congregation stands.*

The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the baptism of Ella Frances Coates.

The flowers in the narthex are given to the glory of God and in appreciation of Candie Carver and J. Marty Cope and other church staff who assist with the weddings at PCPC.

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:

*Brittany Peterson, violin
Joseph Kuipers, cello
Robby Higginbottom, guitar/vocal*

*Alex McDonald, piano
Stephen Nielson, piano
Brian Piper, piano*

Music by permission: CCLI #364068

SERMON NOTES

James 1.16-27

“Growing Up, Part 1: Quick to Hear”

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 18, 2015

Praise

Call to Worship (*everyone together*)

The LORD reigns; He is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed; He has put on strength as His belt. Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved. Your throne is established from of old; You are from everlasting.

“Christ Triumphant, Ever Reigning” (*read or sing these words together*)

Please see the hymn on page two.

Hearing and Learning God’s Word

Scripture Reading: James 1.16-27 (*one person read the Scripture aloud*)

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

1. Why is listening so important to being a follower of Jesus?
2. What makes listening to God so difficult for us?
3. How does God make Himself known to us through the community of His people (*our relationships*)?
4. What can you do to slow down your anger?
5. What difference does it make to really believe that God cherishes us?

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

James 1.22-25

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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.