



## ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MARCH 6, 2016

8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am

*Fourth Sunday in Lent*

*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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### The Prelude

9:30/11:00

*"Were You There?"*  
Brian Piper, *piano*

*WERE YOU THERE?*

### The Call to Worship

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

Minister: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

People: **Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.**

Minister: "Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!"

People: **The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.**

Psalm 46.1-3; 10-11

**\*Hymn No. 92**

*"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"*

*EIN' FESTE BURG*

**\*Prayer of Adoration**

**\*Confession of Faith**

The Rev. Bill Lamberth 8:00

The Rev. Matt Fray 9:30

The Rev. Robby Higginbottom 11:00

I believe that the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who out of nothing created heaven and earth  
and everything in them,  
who still upholds and rules them  
by His eternal counsel and providence,  
is my God and Father  
because of Christ His Son.  
I trust Him so much that I do not doubt  
He will provide whatever I need  
for body and soul,  
and He will turn to my good  
whatever adversity He sends me  
in this sad world.  
He is able to do this because He is almighty God;  
He desires to do this because He is a faithful Father.

from Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 26

**\*Hymn No. 580**

“Lead On, O King Eternal”

LANCASHIRE

**Public Confession of Sin**

Merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against You  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved You  
with our whole heart and mind and strength.  
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
In Your mercy forgive what we have been,  
help us amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be,  
so that we may delight in Your will  
and walk in Your ways,  
to the glory of Your holy name.  
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**Private Confession**

## Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

By Your favor, O LORD, You made my mountain stand strong;  
You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;  
You have loosed my sackcloth  
and clothed me with gladness,  
that my glory may sing Your praise and not be silent.  
O LORD my God, I will give thanks to You forever!

Psalms 30. 7a, 11-12

**\*Hymn No 254**  
9:30/11:00

“Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed”

MARTYRDOM

## Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Lamberth 8:00

Mr. Fray 9:30

Mr. Higginbottom 11:00

## Musical Offering

8:00

“Ah, Holy Jesus”  
J. Marty Cope, organ

arr. Helmut Walcha

9:30/11:00

“Lamb of God”  
Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, director

arr. F. Melius Christiansen

*Lamb of God most holy!  
Who on the cross didst suffer,  
patient still and lowly,  
Thyself to scorn didst offer;  
our sins by Thee were taken,  
or hope had us forsaken:  
Have mercy on us, O Jesu!*

## \*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Colossians 1.19-20

People: **And also with you.**

## The Service of Friendship

*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.*

*Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise.*

*<sup>14</sup> Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord.*

*<sup>15</sup> And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.*

*<sup>16</sup> Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.*

*<sup>17</sup> Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth.*

*<sup>18</sup> Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit.*

**The Sermon**

“The Prayer of the Powerless”

Mr. Williams 8:00

Mr. Goebel 9:30/11:00

Worshippers at 9:30 and 11:00, please continue at the closing hymn on page five.

**\*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"**

*Getty*



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: Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations for ever and ever! Ephesians 3.20-21

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

**Postlude**      Fugue-Finale on “O God Our Help in Ages Past”      *Paul Manz*  
Mr. Cope, organ

*\*The congregation stands.*

*The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God and in honor of Brenda and Bill Bogart in thankfulness for their commitment to the godly marriages 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.**

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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.**

### **Senior Pastor**

The Rev. Mark Davis

### **Session/Associate Pastors**

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

### **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

### **Executive Director**

Jeff Barber

### **Shepherding Elders**

*(Elders not currently on the Session but  
active in ministry at Park Cities Presbyterian Church)*

Tommy Bain	Paul Flowers	Pat Moore
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Brad Bradley	David Gowdey	Rick Owens
Frank Bullock	Harry Hargrave	Bobby Payne
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Rick Bush	Bob Heinonen	Irv Queal
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George Chapman	Ed Jarrett	Nelson Somerville
Jim Chenoweth	Tim Jeffress	Dick Steele
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Grady Crosland	Russell Johnson	Tracy Taylor
Marvin Culbertson	Bryan Keyes	Bill Thomas
Charles Debter	Don King	Steve Vanderhill
John Denman	Louie Little	Ron Wideman
Curt Dobbs	Bill Mabus	Steve Williamson
Bert Ehrmann	Mike McMahon	Arthur Wood
Bill Farrell	Robert Mighell	Randy Wood

# SERMON NOTES

James 5.13-18

*“The Prayer of the Powerless”*

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## Order of Worship for the Home – The Week of March 6, 2016

### Praise

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

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

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

Please see the hymn on page five.

### Hearing and Learning God’s Word

#### **Scripture Reading:** James 5.13-18 *(one person read the Scripture aloud)*

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

1. What does it mean to be powerless?
2. What does it feel like to be sick? What does sickness teach us about dependence?
3. Why is confession an important part of the Christian life?
4. How does prayer teach us about the power of God?

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

1. List the attributes of God. How many of God’s attributes are about His power?
2. Do Christians experience suffering and sickness? What has God promised to those who suffer?
3. What is shame? How has Jesus conquered our shame?
4. What makes prayer powerful? What makes a person righteous?

#### **Scripture Memory for March:** *(memorize this verse of Scripture this month)*

James 5.16

Therefore confess your sins to one another and pray for one another that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.

### 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.