

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

# PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JULY 31, 2016 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.

The Prelude

"Improvisation on 'Praise to the Lord" LOBE DEN HERREN
Josiah Armes, organ

Call to Worship

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00 The Rev. Robby Higginbottom 9:30/11:00

Minister: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His

holy name!

People: The LORD works righteousness and justice for all who are

oppressed.

Minister: But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to

everlasting on those who fear Him, and His righteousness to children's children, to those who keep His covenant and

remember to do His commandments.

People: The LORD has established His throne in the heavens, and His

**kingdom rules over all.** Psalm 103.1, 6, 17-19

\*Hymn No. 53

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" Stanzas: 1-3, 5 LOBE DEN HERREN

Dr. Pete Deison 8:00 The Rev. Bill Lamberth 9:30 The Rev. Paul Goebel 11:00

We believe that our good God,
after creating all things,
did not abandon them to chance or fortune
but leads and governs them according to His holy will,
in such a way that nothing happens in this world
without God's orderly arrangement.

For God's power and goodness

are so great and incomprehensible

that God arranges and does His works very well and justly even when the devil and the wicked act unjustly.

This gives us unspeakable comfort

since it teaches us that nothing can happen to us by chance but only by the arrangement of our gracious heavenly Father, who watches over us with fatherly care, sustaining all creatures under His lordship.

from Belgic Confession, Article 13: The Doctrine of God's Providence

\*Hymn No. 648

"My Jesus, I Love Thee"

**CARITAS** 

# **Public Confession of Sin**

O ruler of the universe and King of our lives, we confess that the truth of Your complete sovereignty has not been precious to us.

Though Your providence orders all things,
we have lived fearfully and timidly
hecoming slaves to our temporal needs and desires

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We have feared our circumstances,

worried over money,

and bowed the knee to peer pressure.

Forgive us, Lord,

for we have even feared dying, not trusting that Your victory by the blood of Christ proves You sovereign over sin and death.

Lord God, strengthen our faith

that we may truly live as those

who have been raised up with Christ in the heavenly places.

Replace our foolish fears with love for the One who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood,

our Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,

**Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.** 

### **Private Confession**

# Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

But now thus says the LORD, He who created you, O Jacob, He who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are Mine."

Isaiah 43.1



# Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Dr. Deison 8:00 Mr. Tim Jeffress, elder 9:30 Mr. Jack Denman, elder 11:00

Musical Offering "As We Sail to Heaven's Shores" McHugh/Nelson
Jenni Rasberry, solo • Mr. Armes, piano

Storms may rise on seas unknown while we journey towards our home, Surely we'll learn what grace is for as we sail to heaven's shore.

Send us strength, oh, Pilgrim Guide, sin would drown us in its tide, Be close at hand and go before as we sail to heaven's shore.

Holy Spirit, lead us on. Give us courage, bring the song.

Lord, we trust Your Father's care will convey us safely there, Open or seal off every door as we sail to heaven's shore.

Straighten our course with every prayer let heaven's breezes speed us there, And grant us mercy evermore as we sail to heaven's shore.

Draw us near, oh, finest Friend, from dawn's light to evening's end, Each passing day, we love You more as we sail to heaven's shore.

# \*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His

steadfast love toward those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does He remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear Him. The peace of the

Lord be with you always.

Psalm 103.11-13

People: And also with you.

#### \*The Scripture Reading

Mr. Williams 8:00 Leigh Hendry and Amelia Rohrman 9:30 Virginia and Gordon Scharf 11:00

#### Genesis 37.1-5

Jacob lived in the land of his father's sojournings, in the land of Canaan.

- <sup>2</sup> These are the generations of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was pasturing the flock with his brothers. He was a boy with the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives. And Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father.
- <sup>3</sup> Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his sons, because he was the son of his old age. And he made him a robe of many colors.
- <sup>4</sup> But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him and could not speak peacefully to him.
- <sup>5</sup> Now Joseph had a dream, and when he told it to his brothers they hated him even more.

#### Genesis 50.15-26

When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him.'

- <sup>16</sup> So they sent a message to Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this command before he died:
- <sup>17</sup> 'Say to Joseph, "Please forgive the transgression of your brothers and their sin, because they did evil to you."' And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him.
- <sup>18</sup> His brothers also came and fell down before him and said, "Behold, we are your servants."
- <sup>19</sup> But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God?
- <sup>20</sup> As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today.
- <sup>21</sup> So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.
- <sup>22</sup> So Joseph remained in Egypt, he and his father's house. Joseph lived 110 years.
- <sup>23</sup> And Joseph saw Ephraim's children of the third generation. The children also of Machir the son of Manasseh were counted as Joseph's own.
- <sup>24</sup> And Joseph said to his brothers, "I am about to die, but God will visit you and bring you up out of this land to the land that He swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob."
- <sup>25</sup> Then Joseph made the sons of Israel swear, saying, "God will surely visit you, and you shall carry up my bones from here."
- <sup>26</sup> So Joseph died, being 110 years old. They embalmed him, and he was put in a coffin in Egypt.

#### Hebrews 11.22

By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones.

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

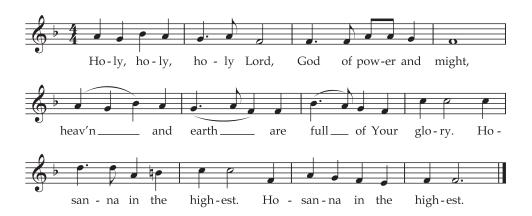
to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty,

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:



# \*The 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: Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to

present you blameless before the presence of His glory with great joy, to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion and authority, before all time and now and forever.

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

**Postlude** "Toccata in E minor" Joseph Callaerts
Mr. Armes, organ

\*The congregation stands.

The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Anna Waggoner and Will Gray.

We welcome guest organist Mr. Josiah Armes to our services today.

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

# 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

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Randy Wood

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# SERMON NOTES

Genesis 37.1-5; Genesis 50.15-26; Hebrews 11.22

"By Faith, God Meant It for Good"

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# Order of Worship for the Home - The Week of July 31, 2016

#### **Praise**

# Call to Worship (everyone together)

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name! The LORD has established His throne in the heavens, and His kingdom rules over all.

"How Deep the Father's Love for Us" (read or sing these words together)

Please see the hymn on page three.

# **Hearing and Learning God's Word**

**Scripture Reading:** Genesis 37.1-5; Genesis 50.15-26; Hebrews 11.22 (*one person read the Scripture aloud*)

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

- 1. Genesis 37 talks about the mess of Jacob's family. How do Jacob, Joseph, and the brothers each contribute to it?
- 2. What are some of the different ways that Joseph could respond to being sold into slavery by his brothers?
- 3. What does it look like to live by faith when someone wrongs you?
- 4. Joseph says, "You meant evil against me, but God meant it for good." How do you understand the two parts of that statement?
- 5. How does the cross of Christ demonstrate how God can accomplish good out of something that people intend for evil?
- 6. At the end of his life, why do you think Joseph mentions the coming exodus from Egypt (see Genesis 15.13-14)?
- 7. After all his success in Egypt, why would Joseph not want to be buried in Egypt?

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

# Hebrews 11.6

And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who seek Him.

#### **Prayer**

# **Prayer** (saying 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.