

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 14, 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 "Allegro" from Voluntary No. 1 in E minor William Walond

Call to Worship

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00 The Rev. Bill Lamberth 9:30/11:00

Minister: Lift up your heads, O gates!

People: And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may

come in.

Minister: Who is this King of glory?

People: The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

Minister: Lift up your heads, O gates!

People: And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may

come in.

Minister: Who is this King of glory?

People: The LORD of hosts, He is the King of glory! Psalm 24.7-10

*Hymn No. 76 "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" LAUDA ANIMA

*Profession of Faith

Dr. Julian Russell 8:00 The Rev. Tommy Overton 9:30 The Rev. Chad Scruggs 11:00

Minister. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

People: That I belong—

body and soul, in life and in death—

not to myself,

but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of His own blood has fully paid for all my sins

and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil;

that He protects me so well

that without the will of my Father in heaven

not a hair can fall from my head;

indeed, that everything must fit His purpose for my salvation.

Therefore, by His Holy Spirit,

He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1

*Hymn No. 94

"How Firm a Foundation" Stanzas: 1-4, 6 FOUNDATION

Public Confession of Sin

O eternal God and merciful Father,

we humble ourselves before Your great Majesty against which we have frequently and grievously sinned.

We acknowledge that we deserve nothing less than eternal death.

We are unclean before You and children of wrath.

We often transgress Your commandments;

failing to do what You have commanded us,

and doing that which You have expressly forbidden.

We all like sheep have gone astray;

we have turned everyone to his own way.

Wash us in the pure fountain of Christ's blood,

so that we may become clean and white as snow.

Cover us with His innocence and righteousness,

for the glory of Your Name.

Deliver our understanding from all blindness, and our hearts from all willfulness and rebellion.

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

*Hymn No. 500

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

NEW CITY FELLOWSHIP

9:30/11:00

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Dr. Russell 8:00

Mr. Paul Flowers, *elder* 9:30 Mr. Scruggs 11:00

Musical Offering

8:00 "Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart" arr. Raymond Haan

J. Marty Cope, organ

9:30/11:00 "Wade in the Water/Deep River" African-American Spirituals

William R. Park, solo • Brian Piper, piano

*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: Let the peace of Christ dwell in your hearts. We were like sheep

going astray, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Over-

seer of our souls. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

1 Peter 2.25

People: And also with you.

The Service of Friendship

If you 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.

Hebrews 11.30-31

- ³⁰ By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days.
- ³¹ By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies.

Joshua 2.1-21; 6.21, 25

- And Joshua the son of Nun sent two men secretly from Shittim as spies, saying, "Go, view the land, especially Jericho." And they went and came into the house of a prostitute whose name was Rahab and lodged there.
- ² And it was told to the king of Jericho, "Behold, men of Israel have come here tonight to search out the land."
- ³ Then the king of Jericho sent to Rahab, saying, "Bring out the men who have come to you, who entered your house, for they have come to search out all the land."
- ⁴ But the woman had taken the two men and hidden them. And she said, "True, the men came to me, but I did not know where they were from.
- ⁵ And when the gate was about to be closed at dark, the men went out. I do not know where the men went. Pursue them quickly, for you will overtake them."
- ⁶ But she had brought them up to the roof and hid them with the stalks of flax that she had laid in order on the roof.
- ⁷ So the men pursued after them on the way to the Jordan as far as the fords. And the gate was shut as soon as the pursuers had gone out.
- ⁸ Before the men lay down, she came up to them on the roof
- ⁹ and said to the men, "I know that the LORD has given you the land, and that the fear of you has fallen upon us, and that all the inhabitants of the land melt away before you.
- ¹⁰ For we have heard how the LORD dried up the water of the Red Sea before you when you came out of Egypt, and what you did to the two kings of the Amorites who were beyond the Jordan, to Sihon and Og, whom you devoted to destruction.
- ¹¹ And as soon as we heard it, our hearts melted, and there was no spirit left in any man because of you, for the LORD your God, He is God in the heavens above and on the earth beneath.
- ¹² Now then, please swear to me by the LORD that, as I have dealt kindly with you, you also will deal kindly with my father's house, and give me a sure sign
- that you will save alive my father and mother, my brothers and sisters, and all who belong to them, and deliver our lives from death."
- ¹⁴ And the men said to her, "Our life for yours even to death! If you do not tell this business of ours, then when the LORD gives us the land we will deal kindly and faithfully with you."
- ¹⁵ Then she let them down by a rope through the window, for her house was built into the city wall, so that she lived in the wall.
- ¹⁶ And she said to them, "Go into the hills, or the pursuers will encounter you, and hide there three days until the pursuers have returned. Then afterward you may go your way."
- ¹⁷ The men said to her, "We will be guiltless with respect to this oath of yours that you have made us swear.
- ¹⁸ Behold, when we come into the land, you shall tie this scarlet cord in the window through which you let us down, and you shall gather into your house your father and mother, your brothers, and all your father's household.
- ¹⁹ Then if anyone goes out of the doors of your house into the street, his blood shall be on his own head, and we shall be guiltless. But if a hand is laid on anyone who is with you in the house, his blood shall be on our head.
- ²⁰ But if you tell this business of ours, then we shall be guiltless with respect to your oath that you have made us swear."

- ²¹ And she said, "According to your words, so be it." Then she sent them away, and they departed. And she tied the scarlet cord in the window.
- ^{6.21} Then they devoted all in the city to destruction, both men and women, young and old, oxen, sheep, and donkeys, with the edge of the sword.
- ²⁵ But Rahab the prostitute and her father's household and all who belonged to her, Joshua saved alive. And she has lived in Israel to this day, because she hid the messengers whom Joshua sent to spy out Jericho.

The Morning Sermon

"A Surprising Saint"

Mr. Williams 8:00 Mr. Lamberth 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

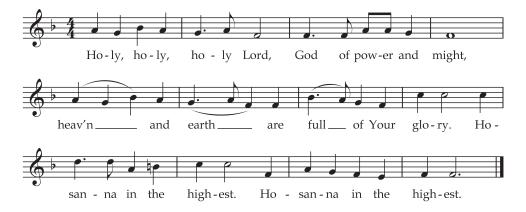
to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty,

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:



*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.

*Closing Hymn No. 460

"Amazing Grace!"

AMAZING GRACE

*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

"March in G" Mr. Cope, organ Gordon Young

*The congregation stands.

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.

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SERMON NOTES

Hebrews 11.30-31; Joshua 2.1-21, 6.21, 25

"A Surprising Saint"

Order of Worship for the Home - The Week of August 14, 2016

Praise

Call to Worship (everyone together)

Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

"Amazing Grace!" (read or sing these words together)

Amazing grace!—how sweet the sound—that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Hearing and Learning God's Word

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 11.30-31; Joshua 2.1-21, 6.21, 25 (one person read the *Scripture aloud*)

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

- 1. Why do you think the author chose to highlight Rahab instead of Joshua?
- 2. Who are the people who lived in Jericho? What was the nature of their faith?
- 3. How would you describe Rahab's faith?
- 4. How was Rahab saved? What is significant about the scarlet rope?
- 5. Compare Hebrews 11.31 with John 3.16-18. What similarities do you see?
- 6. What happened to Rahab after the fall of Jericho?

Questions for older children

- 1. How did the Israelites win the battle of Jericho?
- 2. Who was saved with Rahab?
- 3. Why is Rahab so important? (*Hint: See Matthew 1.5*)

Scripture Memory for August: (memorize this verse of Scripture this month)

Hebrews 11.1-2:

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. For by it the people of old received their commendation.

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.