

Order for the Worship of God

Park Cities Presbyterian Church October 23, 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 "Love of God" Getty/Townend

Call to Worship

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

Minister: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD

with gladness! Come into His presence with singing!

People: Know that the LORD, He is God! It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

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Minister: Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise!

Give thanks to Him; bless His name!

People: For the LORD is good; His steadfast love endures forever,

and His faithfulness to all generations. Psalm 100.1-5

*Hymn of Praise No. 4 "All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above" MIT FREUDEN ZART Stanzas: 1, 3, 4, 6

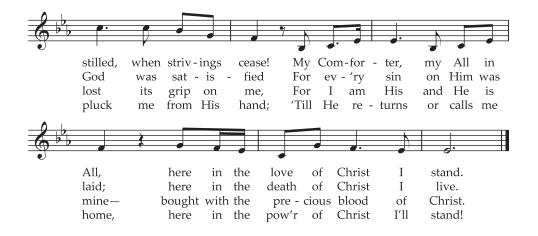
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;

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





Public Confession of Sin

Almighty and most merciful God;
We acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed;
that we have not loved You with all our heart and soul, with all our mind and strength; and that we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.
We beseech You, O God, to forgive what we have been, to help us to amend what we are, and of Your mercy to direct what we shall be; so that we may hereafter walk in the way of Your commandments, and do those things which are pleasing in Your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

In this is love, not that we have loved God but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

1 John 4.10

*Hymn of Response No. 81 "O Love of God, How Strong and True" JERUSALEM (PARRY)
11:00 Stanzas: 1, 4

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Lamberth 8:00 Mr. Scruggs 9:30/11:00

Musical Offering

"You Raise Me Up" 8.00 Stephen Nielson, piano Lovland/Graham arr. Nielson

"Look at the World" 9:30/11:00 John Rutter Chancel Choir • High School Ensemble • Covenant Choir

Stephen Nielson, piano • J. Marty Cope, director

Look at the world, everything all around us: look at the world, and marvel every day. Look at the world, so many joys and wonders, so many miracles along our way.

Praise to Thee, O Lord, for all creation; give us thankful hearts, that we may see all the gifts we share, and every blessing, all things come of Thee.

Look at the earth bringing forth fruit and flower; look at the sky, the sunshine and the rain; look at the hills, look at the trees and mountains, valley and flowing river, field and plain.

Think of the spring, think of the warmth of summer bringing the harvest before the winter's cold. Everything grows, everything has a season, till it is gathered to the Father's fold.

Every good gift, all that we need and cherish comes from the Lord in token of His love; we are His hands, stewards of all His bounty; His is the earth, and His the heavens above.

*The Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ; in one Spirit we were all baptized in Minister:

> one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Book of Common Prayer

People: And also with you.

Presentation of Bibles to 2nd Graders

Mr. Austin Ariail

9:30

*The Scripture Reading

1 Peter 1.22-25

Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart,

- ²³ since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God;
- ²⁴ for "All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls,
- ²⁵ but the word of the Lord remains forever." And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

Acts 11.1-18

Now the apostles and the brothers who were throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God.

- ² So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying,
- ³ "You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them."
- ⁴ But Peter began and explained it to them in order:

- ⁵ "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, something like a great sheet descending, being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to me.
- ⁶ Looking at it closely, I observed animals and beasts of prey and reptiles and birds of the air.
- ⁷ And I heard a voice saying to me, 'Rise, Peter; kill and eat.'
- ⁸ But I said, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever entered my mouth.'
- ⁹ But the voice answered a second time from heaven, 'What God has made clean, do not call common.'
- ¹⁰ This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven.
- ¹¹ And behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea.
- ¹² And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house.
- ¹³ And he told us how he had seen the angel stand in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon who is called Peter;
- 14 he will declare to you a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household. $^{\prime}$
- ¹⁵ As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning.
- ¹⁶ And I remembered the word of the Lord, how He said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.'
- ¹⁷ If then God gave the same gift to them as He gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God's way?"
- ¹⁸ When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, "Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life."

The Sermon

"Holy Love"

Mr. Williams 8:00 Mr. Goebel 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

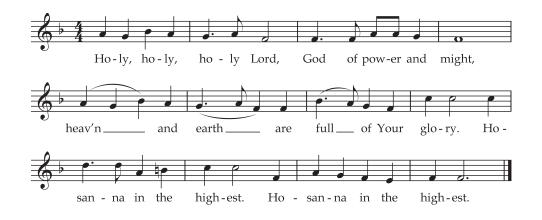
to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty,

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. 650 "I Will Sing of My Redeemer" Stanzas: 1, 2, 4

MY REDEEMER

*The Benediction

Minister: May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, so that He may establish

your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all His saints.

I Thessalonians 3.12-13

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Postlude

8:00	"We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer" Mr. Nielson, <i>piano</i>	KREMSER arr. Cindy Berry
9:30/11:00	"Allegro maestoso" from <i>Sonata II</i> Mr. Cope, <i>organ</i>	Felix Mendelssohn

^{*}The congregation stands.

The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Kathleen D. Johnston on the first anniversary of her passing.

We thank the following musicians for their participation in our services this morning:

Pam Adams, flute Steve Pettey, oboe Daryl Coad, clarinet Stephen Nielson, piano Brian Piper, piano

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

MINISTERS

The members of this church family who, in serving their Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ, extend His Kingdom 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.

SERMON NOTES

1 Peter 1.22-25; Acts 11.1-18

"Holy Love"

Order of Worship for the Home - The Week of October 23, 2016

Praise

Call to Worship (everyone together)

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into His presence with singing! Know that the LORD, He is God! It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

"In Christ Alone" (read or sing these words together)

Please see the hymn on page two.

Hearing and Learning God's Word

Scripture Reading: 1 Peter 1.22-25; Acts 11.1-18 (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 love others the way God loves us?
- 2. Why do we sometimes fail to love others?
- 3. How has God loved us?
- 4. What is the good news?

Questions for older children

- 1. What does love have to do with bearing the image of God?
- 2. How did Peter fail to love the Gentiles?
- 3. How does God's love for us call us to love one another?
- 4. How would you explain the Gospel of Jesus Christ to someone who has never heard it before?

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

1 Peter 1.3

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to His great mercy, He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

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.