



## ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

AUGUST 27, 2017

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.*

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### The Prelude

*“Prelude in Classic Style”*  
Dr. Nathan Davy, *organ* • Mr. J. Marty Cope, *piano*

*Gordon Young*

### Call to Worship

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

Minister: It is good to give thanks to the LORD,

**People: to sing praises to Your name, O Most High;**

Minister: to declare Your steadfast love in the morning,

**People: and Your faithfulness by night,**

Minister: to the music of the lute and the harp,

**People: to the melody of the lyre.**

Minister: For You, O LORD, have made me glad by Your work;

**People: at the works of Your hands I sing for joy.**

Psalm 92.1,2,4

### \*Hymn No. 4

*“All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above”*  
Stanzas: 1, 2, 4, 6

*MIT FREUDEN ZART*

### \*Prayer of Adoration

**\*Profession of Faith**

Mr. David Billingslea 8:00

The Rev. Paul Goebel 9:30

The Rev. Robby Higginbottom 11:00

We believe that God—  
who is perfectly merciful  
and also very just—  
sent His Son to assume the nature  
in which the disobedience had been committed,  
in order to bear in it the punishment of sin  
by His most bitter passion and death.

We find all comforts in His wounds  
and have no need to seek or invent any other means  
to reconcile ourselves with God  
than this one and only sacrifice,  
once made,  
which renders believers perfect forever.

*based on Belgic Confession, Art. 20-21*

**\*Hymn No. 251**

*“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”*

*ST. CHRISTOPHER*

**Public Confession of Sin**

O Lord, I am deeply convinced of the evil and misery of a sinful state,  
of the vanity of creatures,  
but also of the sufficiency of Christ.  
When You would guide me,  
I control myself.  
When You would be sovereign,  
I rule myself.  
When You would take care of me,  
I suffice myself.  
When I should depend of Your provision,  
I supply myself.  
When I should submit to Your providence,  
I follow my will.  
When I should study, love, honor and trust You,  
I serve myself.  
I fault and correct Your law to suit myself,  
and I am by nature an idolater.  
Take away my roving eye, curious ear,  
greedy appetite and lustful heart,  
then take me to the cross.

**Private Confession**

## Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near  
by the blood of Christ. Ephesians 2.13

### Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Billingslea 8:00

Mr. Goebel 9:30

Mr. Higginbottom 11:00

### Musical Offering

8:00

“Allegretto” from Sonata IV  
Dr. Davy, organ

Felix Mendelssohn

9:30/11:00

“It Is Well with My Soul”  
Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, director  
Nathan Davy, organ • Stephen Nielson, piano

arr. Bob Krogstad

*When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll;  
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.  
It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.  
My sin—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!—My sin, not in part but the whole,  
is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more, praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O  
my soul!  
And Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a  
scroll; the trumpet shall resound, and the Lord shall descend, even so, it is well  
with my soul.*

### \*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: You were dead because of your sins and because your sinful nature was not yet cut away. Then God made you alive with Christ, for He forgave all our sins. He canceled the record of the charges against us and took it away by nailing it to the cross. The peace of the Lord be with you always. Colossians 2.13-14 (NLT)

People: **And also with you.**

### Extending the Kingdom: re|engage

9:30/11:00

Brenda and Bill Bogart  
Aimee and Ricardo Pellafone

- There were some present at that very time who told Him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices.*
- <sup>2</sup> *And He answered them, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered in this way?"*
- <sup>3</sup> *No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.*
- <sup>4</sup> *Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who lived in Jerusalem?"*
- <sup>5</sup> *No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish."*
- <sup>6</sup> *And He told this parable: "A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none.*
- <sup>7</sup> *And he said to the vinedresser, 'Look, for three years now I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none. Cut it down. Why should it use up the ground?'*
- <sup>8</sup> *And he answered him, 'Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and put on manure.*
- <sup>9</sup> *Then if it should bear fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.'"*

**The Sermon**

*"Under Mercy's Care"*

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 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.

**\*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. 457 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"**

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**\*The 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**

*"Allegro con brio" from Sonata IV  
 Dr. Davy, organ*

*Felix Mendelssohn*

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

*The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the indescribable mercy and love extended to all God's children at the cross of Christ.*

*The righteous flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar in Lebanon. They are planted in the house of the LORD; they flourish in the courts of our God. They still bear fruit in old age; they are ever full of sap and green, to declare that the LORD is upright; He is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in Him.*

*Psalm 92.12-15*

**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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## **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.



*Welcome to Park Cities Presbyterian Church. We are glad you have joined us today.*

We want to come alongside you in hospitality and prayer. At the conclusion of our services, there are men and women at the front and back of the sanctuary to meet and pray with you—in complete confidence.

If you are experiencing an unexpected pregnancy, you are loved. For support, please speak with us or call Thrive Women's Clinic at 214-343-9263 or Kari Stainback at 214-224-2738.

*"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*

# Find your Sunday Morning Community

## CHILDREN - 9:30 & 11:00 AM

### NURSERY (birth-age 2)

Visitors, please check in  
at red desk **A**

### PRESCHOOL (age 3-K)

Visitors, please check in  
at red desk **B**

### ELEMENTARY (1st-4th Grade)

Visitors, please check in  
at red desk **C**

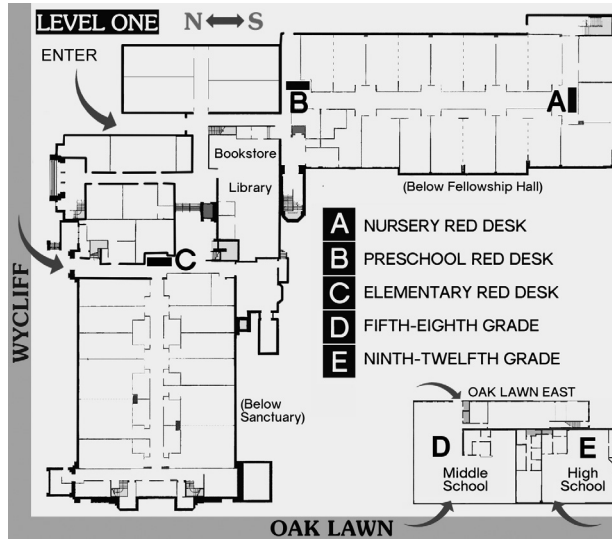
## YOUTH - 11:00 AM

### FIFTH-EIGHTH Grade

Meets in Oak Lawn East **D**

### NINTH-TWELFTH Grade

Meets in Oak Lawn East **E**



A nursing mothers' room with livestream of  
the worship service is on the lower level  
beneath the Narthex.

## Adult Communities

ALL AGES WELCOME IN ALL CLASSES!

### Adults & Adult Families

#### GO GROUP

Singles & couples  
8:00 am, Room 305

#### BELIEVERS' FELLOWSHIP

Empty nesters & singles  
9:30 am, Oak Lawn West

#### GOOD SHEPHERD'S FELLOWSHIP

Couples, singles & families  
9:30 am, Room 301

#### VERITAS

Couples & singles  
9:30 am, Room 262

#### COVENANT

Empty nesters & singles  
11:00 am, Room 261

#### KALEO

Singles & young families  
11:00 am, Room 263

#### LAO PRESBYTERIAN FELLOWSHIP

11:00 am, Room 430, OLE

#### NEW CREATIONS

Couples & singles  
11:00 am, Room 262

#### SHEPHERDS OF SOULS

Couples & singles  
11:00 am, Room 300

#### THE WELL

Parents with children in middle & upper  
school  
11:00 am, Room 302/304

### Young Adults & Families

#### AMBASSADORS

College, singles, marrieds &  
starter families  
11:00 am, Room 301

#### CORNERSTONE

Young & newly marrieds, 20s & 30s  
9:30 am, Room 259

### Senior Adults

#### KOINONIA

8:15 am, Room 303

#### GOOD NEWS

9:30 am, Room 263

### Special Interest

#### NEW DAY

9:30 am, Room 261

#### WOMEN OF GRACE

9:30 am (2nd & 3rd Sundays only), Room 303

To learn more: [pccp.org/communities](http://pccp.org/communities);  
[elaine.montague@pccp.org](mailto:elaine.montague@pccp.org)

# SERMON NOTES

Luke 13.1-9  
"Under Mercy's Care"

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## Order of Worship for the Home – The Week of August 27, 2017

### Praise

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

It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to Your name, O Most High; to declare Your steadfast love in the morning, and Your faithfulness by night, to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre. For You, O LORD, have made me glad by Your work; at the works of Your hands I sing for joy.

Psalm 92.1-4

#### **“It Is Well with My Soul”** *(read or sing these words together)*

Please see the choir anthem text on page three.

### Hearing and Learning God’s Word

#### **Scripture Reading** Luke 13.1-9 *(one person read the Scripture aloud)*

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

1. Why is the Cross so important to us? How does it teach us to live?
2. Can you think of a situation that you have been praying about for a long time? What do you hope happens? Why should you keep praying?
3. What sins are you currently struggling with? How can you ask God for help?
4. How does the parable teach us about Jesus’ mercy? Do you believe Jesus is patient with you? Do you believe He is at work in your life?
5. What can you commit to Jesus’ mercy this year? Plan to work and pray about your answer this year, and then come back and see what kind of fruit has come from Jesus’ work.

#### **Scripture Memory for August** *(memorize this passage of Scripture this month)*

1 Peter 5.6-7

Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time He may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on Him, because He cares for you.

### 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.