

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.



ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 21, 2018 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am

Prelude

"Fanfare" Dr. Nathan Davy, organ William Mathias

Call to Worship

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00 The Rev. Mark Davis 9:30/11:00

Minister: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According

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People: to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and

unfading, kept in heaven for you;

Minister: In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you

have been grieved by various trials,

People: so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious

than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

I Peter 1.3,4,6,7

*Hymn of Praise No. 295 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

DIADEMATA

*Prayer of Adoration

*Profession of Faith

The Rev. Bill Lamberth 8:00 The Rev. Paul Goebel 9:30 The Rev. Tommy Overton 11:00

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust.

Who is eternal,
infinite,
immeasurable,
incomprehensible,
omnipotent,
invisible;

One in substance and yet distinct in three Persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth,

visible and invisible

to have been created, to be retained in their being,

and to be ruled and guided by His inscrutable providence

for such end as His eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed,

and to the manifestation of His own glory.

Scots Confession, No.1

*Hymn

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

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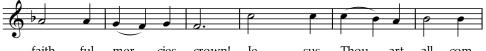
8:00 All Stanzas 9:30/11:00 Stanzas: 1-3



- 1. Love di vine all loves ex cell ing, joy of heav'n to 2. Breathe, O breathe Thy lov ing Spir it in to ev 'ry
- 3. Come, Al might y to de liv er, let us all Thy
- 4. Fin ish, then Thy new cre a tion; pure and spot less



earth come down, Fix Thy hum - ble dwell - ing, in us trou - bled breast! Thee in - her - it, Let all us in let life ____ re - ceive; let us be: Sud - den ly __ re - turn and nev - er, nev - er see Thy great sal - va - tion per - fect let ____ us be; Let us



faith ful Thou all mer - cies crown! Je sus, art find the prom - ised rest; Take a way_ the love of more Thy Thee would al - ways tem - ples leave. we be ly re - stored in Thee; Changed from glo ry in - to



Vis bound - ed love Thou art; pas - sion, pure, un it O sin - ning; Al pha and me ga be; End of Thy Thee a - bove; Pray, bless - ing, serve as_ hosts and ʻtill 'Till in heav'n take glo ry, we our place, we



ev - 'ry trem-bling heart. us ___ with Thy sal - va - tion, en - ter its ___ Be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty. faith, as in ___ Thy per - fect praise Thee with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry love. crowns be - fore __ Thee, lost in cast__ our won-der, love, and

The Sacrament of Baptism

9:30/11:00

Parental Vows

- Do you acknowledge your children's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
- 2. Do you claim God's covenant promises on their behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for their salvation, as you do for your own?
- Do you now unreservedly dedicate your children to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before them a godly example, that you will pray with and for them, that you will teach them the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

Congregational Vow

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting these parents in the Christian nurture of their children?

9:30 11:00

Charlotte Anne Easley Jackson William Sylvan **Elwood Cooke Jennings** Katelyn Bonnie DeBoer Lillian Hughes Williams

Prayer for the Families

9:30/11:00

*Hymn 9:30/11:00 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" Stanza: 4

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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

God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Lamberth 8:00 Mr. Goebel 9:30 Mr. Overton 11:00

Musical Offering

8:00

"Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"
Dr. Davy, organ

arr. James Mansfield

9:30/u:00 "O Lord, You Search Me and You Know Me" Bernadette Farrell Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, director • Dr. Davy, organ

O God, You search me and You know me. All my thoughts lie open to Your gaze. When I walk or lie down, You are before me, ever the maker and keeper of my days. You know my resting and my rising. You discern my purpose from afar, and with love everlasting You besiege me: In ev'ry moment of life or death, You are.

Before a word is on my tongue, Lord, You have known its meaning through and through. You are with me beyond my understanding: God of my present, my past and future too.

Although your Spirit is upon me, still I search for shelter from Your light. There is nowhere on earth I can escape You: Even the darkness is radiant in Your sight. For You created me and shaped me, gave me life within my mother's womb. For the wonder of who I am, I praise You: Safe in your hands, all creation is made new.

*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: For You formed my inward parts; You knitted me together in my

mother's womb. I praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are Your works; my soul knows it very well. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Psalm 139.13-14

People: And also with you.

Extending the Kingdom: Sanctity of Life

Betsy Newman

9:30/11:00

*The Scripture Reading

Acts 9.36-43

Now there was in Joppa a disciple named Tabitha, which, translated, means Dorcas. She was full of good works and acts of charity.

- ³⁷ In those days she became ill and died, and when they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room.
- ³⁸ Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, hearing that Peter was there, sent two men to him, urging him, "Please come to us without delay."
- ³⁹ So Peter rose and went with them. And when he arrived, they took him to the upper room. All the widows stood beside him weeping and showing tunics and other garments that Dorcas made while she was with them.
- ⁴⁰ But Peter put them all outside, and knelt down and prayed; and turning to the body he said, "Tabitha, arise." And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up.
- ⁴¹ And he gave her his hand and raised her up. Then, calling the saints and widows, he presented her alive.
- ⁴² And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.
- ⁴³ And he stayed in Joppa for many days with one Simon, a tanner.

Mr. Williams 8:00 Mr. Davis 9:30/11:00

Worshipers at 9:30 and 11:00, please continue at the closing hymn.

*The Great Thanksgiving 8:00

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

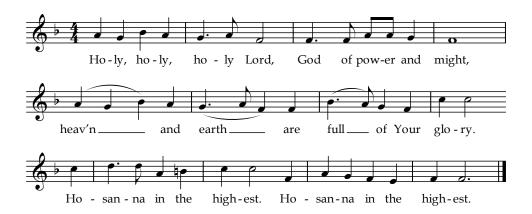
to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty,

Everlasting God.

People: Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the

company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious

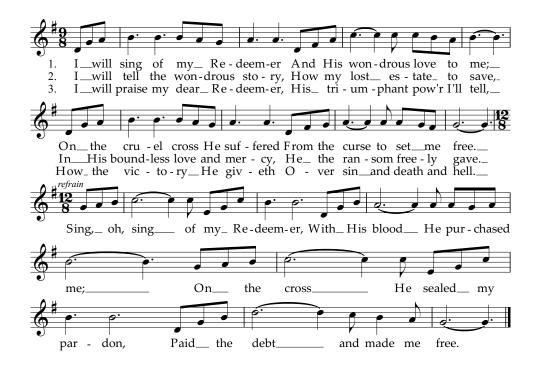
Name; evermore praising You, and singing:



*The Words of Institution 8:00

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.



*The Benediction

Minister: Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead

our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

Hebrews 13.20-21

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Postlude "Carillon" Herbert Murrill
Dr. Davy, organ

Celebrating the Sanctity of Human Life, the flowers in our worship services this morning are given to the glory of God by friends of the Thrive Women's Clinic in honor of the babies saved and the men and women who came into a relationship with Christ in 2017 through this ministry.

The red flowers represent the 265 babies who were saved from the tragedy of abortion, and the white flowers represent the 53 new believers who have come into a relationship with Christ through the ministry.

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

^{*}Please stand if you are able.

SERMON NOTES

Acts 9.36-43
"Presenting Dorcas"

Pelcome to Park Cities Presbyterian Church. We are glad you 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

Order of Worship for the Home - The Week of January 21, 2018

Praise

Call to Worship (everyone together)

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, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you.

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" (read or sing these words together)

Please see the hymn on page three.

Hearing and Learning God's Word

Scripture Reading: Acts 9.36-43 (one person read the Scripture aloud)

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

- 1. Describe Dorcas (also called Tabitha) and what happened to her:
- 2. How do the widows who were mourning over her reveal to us her charity?
- 3. Why did they call for Peter?
- 4. What did Peter do?
- 5. How does this story help us believe in the power of God?

Ouestions for older children

- 1. We see that Dorcas experienced a resurrection. Who else was resurrected in this story?
- 2. How does the life of Dorcas encourage our own faith and works?
- 3. Why do you think God raised Dorcas from the dead?

Scripture Memory for January: (memorize this passage of Scripture this month)

Acts 5.42

And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they did not cease teaching and preaching that the Christ is Jesus.

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.