

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 FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

April 8, 2018 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am

Second Sunday of Easter

**Prelude** 

"Allegro" from Sonata 6 in G Major Dr. Nathan Davy, organ

J.S. Bach

Call to Worship

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

Minister: Now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of

them that slept. O death, where is your sting? O grave, where is

your victory?

People: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good: for His mercy

endures forever.

Minister: Christ is risen! **People:** Christ is risen!

All: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

\*Easter Hymn No. 267

"The Day of Resurrection!"

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\*Prayer of Adoration

\*Profession of Faith

The Rev. Chad Scruggs 8:00 The Rev. Brent Baker 9:30 The Rev. Tommy Overton 11:00

Minister: This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set

us free to be the people of God. This is the feast of victory

for our God.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Minister: Power, riches, wisdom and strength and honor, and blessing and

glory are His. This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all

creation. This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Minister: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb

forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

People: For the Lamb who was slain has begun to reign. Alleluia!

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

\*Hymn No. 276 8:00 "Up from the Grave He Arose"

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\*Hymn

"We Will Feast in the House of Zion" Sandra McCracken

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#### **Public Confession of Sin**

O Lord, I marvel that You purposed to become flesh so that You might be crucified, dead, and buried for me.

The tomb calls forth my adoring wonder,

for it is empty and You are risen!

Grant me to die with You

that I may rise to new life,

for I wish to be as dead and buried to sin,

to selfishness,

to the world;

that I might not hear the voice of the charmer,

and might be delivered from his lusts.

Purge me from selfishness, pride, and the fear of man.

Grant me to stand with my dying Savior,

to be content to be rejected,

to be willing to hold to unpopular truths.

Grant me more and more of the resurrection life:

may it rule me,

may I walk in its power,

and be strengthened through its influence.

#### **Private Confession**

## Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by His life.

Romans 5.10

## Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Scruggs 8:00 Mr. Baker 9:30 Mr. Overton u:00

#### **Musical Offering**

8:00 "Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands" J.S. Bach
Dr. Davy, organ

9:30/n:00 "Since By Man Came Death" from *Messiah G.F. Handel* Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, *conductor* • Dr. Nathan Davy, *organ* 

Since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

I Corinthians 15.21.22

# \*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and

through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Colossians 1.19-20

People: And also with you.

# ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF RULING ELDERS AND DEACONS

— 9:30/11:00 —

#### **ELDERS:**

George David Hanson Thomas Hudson Neuhoff, Jr. Michael Scott Rohrman Blake Edwin Woodall

#### **DEACONS:**

Robert Douglas Anderson Timothy Andrew Darley William Byron Dunn, Jr. James Grant Eidson Thomas Robertson Gale\* Matthew Hastings Ganier William James Heath III Ryan Andrews Johnson Harry Norman Kinzy Phillip Price Koons Brian Parks Mullen Stephen Ray Tenpenny \* Blake Alexander Trusler James McCord Wilson \*

# **Explanation of Ordination and Installation**

Mr. Davis

#### **Ordination and Installation Questions**

# **Questions to Officer Candidates:**

- 1. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as originally given, to be the inerrant Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice?
- 2. Do you sincerely receive and adopt the Confession of Faith and the Catechisms of this Church, as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures; and do you further promise that if at any time you find yourself out of accord with any of the fundamentals of this system of doctrine, you will, on your own initiative, make known to your Session the change which has taken place in your views since the assumption of this ordination vow?
- 3. Do you approve of the form of government and discipline of the Presbyterian Church in America, in conformity with the general principles of biblical polity?
- 4. Do you accept the office of ruling elder or deacon, as the case may be, in this church, and promise faithfully to perform all of the duties thereof, and to endeavor by the grace of God to adorn the profession of the Gospel in your life, and to set a worthy example before the Church of which God has made you an officer?
- 5. Do you promise subjection to your brethren in the Lord?
- 6. Do you promise to strive for the purity, peace, unity, and edification of the Church?

#### Question to the Congregation:

Do you, the members of this church, acknowledge and receive these brothers as ruling elders and deacons, as the case may be, and do you promise to yield them all that honor, encouragement and obedience in the Lord to which their respective offices, according to the Word of God and the Constitution of this Church, entitle them?

<sup>\*</sup>Previously ordained to this office

## **Right Hand of Fellowship**

# \*The Doxology

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Alleluia, alleluia! Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### Charge to the Congregation

Eric Horan, elder

# \*The Scripture Reading: Acts 13.1-12

The Hansons

Now there were in the church at Antioch prophets and teachers, Barnabas, Simeon who was called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen a lifelong friend of Herod the tetrarch, and Saul.

- <sup>2</sup> While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for Me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them."
- <sup>3</sup> Then after fasting and praying they laid their hands on them and sent them off.
- <sup>4</sup> So, being sent out by the Holy Spirit, they went down to Seleucia, and from there they sailed to Cyprus.
- <sup>5</sup> When they arrived at Salamis, they proclaimed the word of God in the synagogues of the Jews. And they had John to assist them.
- <sup>6</sup> When they had gone through the whole island as far as Paphos, they came upon a certain magician, a Jewish false prophet named Bar-Jesus.
- <sup>7</sup> He was with the proconsul, Sergius Paulus, a man of intelligence, who summoned Barnabas and Saul and sought to hear the word of God.
- <sup>8</sup> But Elymas the magician (for that is the meaning of his name) opposed them, seeking to turn the proconsul away from the faith.
- 9 But Saul, who was also called Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked intently at him
   10 and said, "You son of the devil, you enemy of all righteousness, full of all deceit and villainy, will you not stop making crooked the straight paths of the Lord?
- " And now, behold, the hand of the Lord is upon you, and you will be blind and unable to see the sun for a time." Immediately mist and darkness fell upon him, and he went about seeking people to lead him by the hand.
- <sup>12</sup> Then the proconsul believed, when he saw what had occurred, for he was astonished at the teaching of the Lord.

The Sermon

"Astonished at His Teaching"

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!

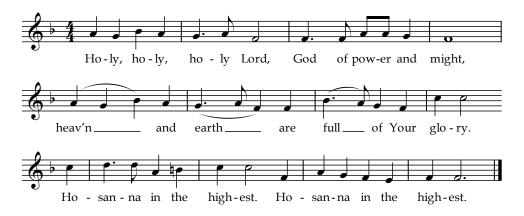
Minister: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God. **People:** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

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.

\*Closing Hymn No. 693

"Blessed Assurance"

**ASSURANCE** 

#### \*The Benediction

Minister: Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and God our Father, who

loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work

and word. 2 Thessalonians 2.16-17

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Postlude "Resplendent as the Sun" Henri Dallier
Dr. Davy, organ

The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God by the Figari family.

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. —Philippians 4.4-7

The flowers in the narthex are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Allie Fersing and Will Tindol and in memory of Fred Skidmore and Marion Fersing.

<sup>\*</sup>Please stand if you are able.

#### SERMON NOTES

Acts 13.1-12 "Astonished at His Teaching"

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

Velcome 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 people at the front of the sanctuary to meet and pray with you. You may also call our 24/7 prayer line: 214-224-2680 or email your request to our pastors at: pastorsprayer@pcpc.org.

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 April 8, 2018

#### **Praise**

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

Now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept. O death, where is your sting? O grave, where is your victory? O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good: for His mercy endures forever. Christ is risen!

"We Will Feast in the House of Zion" (read or sing these words together)

Please see the hymn on page three.

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

**Scripture Reading:** Acts 13.1-12 (one person read the Scripture aloud)

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

- 1. What did the Holy Spirit say and do in this passage?
- 2. What was the work the Holy Spirit called them to?
- 3. Why did they lay hands on them?
- 4. Why did we lay hands on the elders and deacons today?
- 5. What astonished the proconsul?
- 6. How does God still astonish us?

## Questions for older children:

- 1. How is the church today like the church in Acts 13?
- 2. How does the Holy Spirit lead us today?
- 3. When and how has God's teaching astonished you?

**Scripture Memory for April** (memorize this passage of Scripture this month)

Acts 14.21-22

When they had preached the gospel to that city and had made many disciples, they returned to Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch, strengthening the souls of the disciples, encouraging them to continue in the faith, and saying that through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God.

#### **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.