

Park Cities Presbyterian Church

May 20, 2018



*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.*



CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S TABLE

May 20, 2018
8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am

Pentecost

Prelude

8:00	Variations on "Veni, Creator Spiritus" Dr. Nathan Davy, <i>organ</i>	<i>Maurice Duruflé</i>
9:30/11:00	"Holy Spirit" James Kings, <i>piano</i>	<i>Albert Ayler</i>

During the Prelude, please join in silent preparation of heart and mind to worship our God.

Call to Worship

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

Minister: Let me hear in the morning of Your steadfast love, for in You I trust.
People: Make me know the way I should go, for to You I lift up my soul.
Minister: Deliver me from my enemies, O Lord!
People: I have fled to You for refuge.
Minister: Teach me to do Your will, for You are my God!
People: Let Your good Spirit lead me on level ground! Psalm 143.8-10

***Hymn of Praise No. 101** "Come, Thou Almighty King" *TRINITY*

*Prayer of Adoration

*Profession of Faith

The Rev. Tommy Overton 8:00
The Rev. Brent Baker 9:30
The Rev. Robby Higginbottom 11:00

In His divinity, majesty, grace, and Spirit,
Christ is not absent from us for a moment.
By the Spirit's power
we make the goal of our lives not earthly things
but the things above where Christ is,
sitting at God's right hand.
Through the Holy Spirit,
Christ pours out His gifts from heaven upon us His members.
The Spirit, as well as the Father and the Son, is eternal God.

**The Spirit has been given to us personally
so that by true faith
the Spirit makes us share in Christ and all His blessings,
comforts us, and remains with us forever.**

—from *Heidelberg Catechism*, Q&A's 47, 49, 51, 53

***Hymn**

“Standing on the Promises”

PROMISES

8:00 all stanzas

9:30/11:00 stanzas: 1 and 2



1. Stand - ing on the prom - is - es of Christ my King,
2. Stand - ing on the prom - is - es that can - not fail,
3. Stand - ing on the prom - is - es of Christ the Lord,

through e - ter - nal a - ges let His prais - es ring:
when the howl - ing storms of doubt and fear as - sail,
bound to Him e - ter - nal - ly by love's strong cord,

"Glo - ry in the high - est," I will shout and sing,
by the liv - ing Word of God I shall pre - vail,
o - ver - com - ing dai - ly with the Spir - it's sword,

refrain
stand - ing on the prom - is - es of God. Stand - ing, stand - ing,
stand - ing on the prom - is - es of God.
stand - ing on the prom - is - es of God.

stand - ing on the prom - is - es of God my Sav - ior; stand - ing,

stand - ing, I'm stand - ing on the prom - is - es of God.

**Becoming a Communing Member and Coming to the
Lord's Table for the First Time**

Mr. Davis

9:30/11:00

Middle School Communicants:

Robert Wilson Axley
Emily Ann Barnes
David William Burns
Claudya Snow Josselyn
Margaret Harper Koenig

***Hymn**

“Standing on the Promises”

PROMISES

9:30/11:00

Stanza: 3

Public Confession of Sin

Generous God,
 You send us the Spirit of courage,
 but we have been afraid.
You send us the Spirit of truth,
 but we cling to our illusions.
You send us the Spirit of healing,
 but we cannot let go of our hurts.
Holy Spirit of forgiveness, come to us again:
 shake our hearts,
 set our souls on fire with Your love:
 send us out into the world
 rejoicing in Your power.
We hold out to You
 all our particular burdens of guilt and sin,
 and we ask for Your help
 to live the way of Your justice and love. Amen.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

If the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.

Romans 8.1, 11

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Overton 8:00
Mr. Baker 9:30
Mr. Higginbottom 11:00

Musical Offering

8:00	“Komm, Gott Schöpfer, Heiliger Geist” Dr. Davy, organ	J.S. Bach
9:30/11:00	“Free at Last” Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, conductor Mr. Kings, piano	Traditional African-American Spiritual

*Free at last, it is finished. Life has triumphed over death. Jesus reigns, bless the name of God Almighty, free at last.
I am free, praise the Lord I’m free. No longer bound, no more chains holdin’ me.
My soul is resting, it’s such a blessing, praise the Lord! Hallelujah, I’m free.*

*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope. The peace of the Lord be with you always. Romans 15:13

People: **And also with you.**

*The Scripture Reading

Acts 27:1, 9-11, 18-26, 33-37

And when it was decided that we should sail for Italy, they delivered Paul and some other prisoners to a centurion of the Augustan Cohort named Julius.

⁹ *Since much time had passed, and the voyage was now dangerous because even the Fast was already over, Paul advised them,*

¹⁰ *saying, "Sirs, I perceive that the voyage will be with injury and much loss, not only of the cargo and the ship, but also of our lives."*

¹¹ *But the centurion paid more attention to the pilot and to the owner of the ship than to what Paul said.*

¹⁸ *Since we were violently storm-tossed, they began the next day to jettison the cargo.*

¹⁹ *And on the third day they threw the ship's tackle overboard with their own hands.*

²⁰ *When neither sun nor stars appeared for many days, and no small tempest lay on us, all hope of our being saved was at last abandoned.*

²¹ *Since they had been without food for a long time, Paul stood up among them and said, "Men, you should have listened to me and not have set sail from Crete and incurred this injury and loss.*

²² *Yet now I urge you to take heart, for there will be no loss of life among you, but only of the ship.*

²³ *For this very night there stood before me an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I worship,*

²⁴ *and he said, 'Do not be afraid, Paul; you must stand before Caesar. And behold, God has granted you all those who sail with you.'*

²⁵ *So take heart, men, for I have faith in God that it will be exactly as I have been told.*

²⁶ *But we must run aground on some island."*

³³ *As day was about to dawn, Paul urged them all to take some food, saying, "Today is the fourteenth day that you have continued in suspense and without food, having taken nothing.*

³⁴ *Therefore I urge you to take some food. For it will give you strength, for not a hair is to perish from the head of any of you."*

³⁵ *And when he had said these things, he took bread, and giving thanks to God in the presence of all he broke it and began to eat.*

³⁶ *Then they all were encouraged and ate some food themselves.*

³⁷ *(We were in all 276 persons in the ship.)*

The Sermon

"Extending the Kingdom:
A Dangerous Voyage"

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

*Words of Assurance and The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

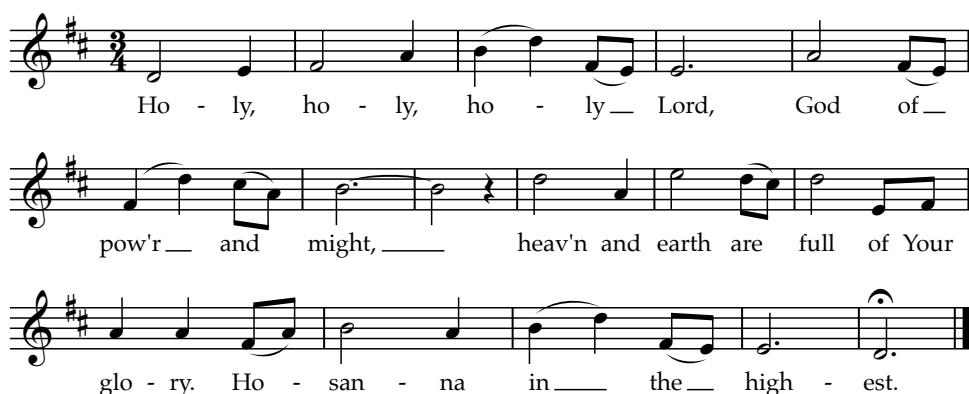
Minister: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

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:

(At 8:00, please sing the traditional Proulx "Sanctus.")



*The Words of Institution

Communion 8:00

The bread now being served at Communion is gluten-free.

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.

Communion 9:30/11:00

The bread now being served at Communion is gluten-free.

Please come forward to receive the elements as directed by an usher.

Partake of each when served, returning to your seat with your empty cup.

During the serving of Communion:

9:30/11:00

“Break Thou the Bread of Life”
Mr. Kings, *piano*

Lathbury/Sherwin

Hymn No. 308

“Jesus Paid It All”

ALL TO CHRIST

***Closing Hymn No. 263**

“Lift High the Cross”

CRUCIFER

***The 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

Finale on “Veni, Creator Spiritus”
Dr. Davy, *organ*

Maurice Duruflé

**Please stand if you are able.*

*Members of PCPC who have joined the Church Triumphant
since our last Communion service:*

Jane Werkema
Mildred Kemper
Clay Smith
Merle Kennan
Keo Sanya
Howard Compton
Harley “George” Best

*The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God and
with gratitude to God for the life of Jennifer Stroud by her family and in loving
memory of our daughter/sister on the occasion of her birthday.*

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

SERMON NOTES

Acts 27.1, 9-11, 18-26, 33-37

“Extending the Kingdom: A Dangerous Voyage”



Welcome 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 May 20, 2018

Praise

Call to Worship *(everyone together)*

Let me hear in the morning of Your steadfast love, for in You I trust. Make me know the way I should go, for to You I lift up my soul. Deliver me from my enemies, O Lord!

“Standing on the Promises” *(read or sing these words together)*

Please see the hymn text on page three.

Hearing and Learning God’s Word

Scripture Reading: Acts 27.1, 9-11, 18-26, 33-37

(one person read the Scripture aloud)

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

1. Why was Paul on this ship and who was with him?
2. What did Paul perceive would happen on their voyage? (27.10)
3. What did the angel reveal to Paul? (27.23-24)
4. What does this story teach us about God’s plan and His sovereignty?

Questions for older children

1. How does God use this shipwreck to advance His Kingdom?
2. How does this story encourage our faith in God’s process of extending His Kingdom?

Scripture Memory for May: *(memorize this passage of Scripture this month)*

Psalm 52.8-9 (NLT)

But I am like an olive tree, thriving in the house of God. I will always trust in God’s unfailing love. ⁹ I will praise You forever, O God, for what You have done. I will trust in Your good name in the presence of Your faithful people.

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.