

# Park Cities Presbyterian Church

July 29, 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.*



## ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

July 29, 2018  
8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am

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### Prelude

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”  
Dr. Nathan Davy, *organ*

*David Cherwien*

*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  
Dr. Pete Deison 9:30/11:00

Minister: In You, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame;

**People: in Your righteousness deliver me!**

Minister: Incline Your ear to me; rescue me speedily!

**People: Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me!**

Minister: For You are my rock and my fortress;

**People: and for Your name's sake You lead me and guide me.** Psalm 31.1-3

**\*Hymn of Praise No. 92** “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

*EIN' FESTE BURG*

### **\*Prayer of Adoration**

### **\*Profession of Faith**

The Rev. Matt Fray 8:00  
The Rev. Paul Goebel 9:30  
The Rev. Bill Lamberth 11:00

These good works,  
done in obedience to God's commandments,  
are the fruits and evidences of a true and living faith.  
By them believers show their thankfulness,  
strengthen their assurance,  
build up their fellow believers,  
adorn the profession of the gospel,  
shut the mouths of the adversaries,  
and glorify God.

They are His workmanship,  
created in Christ Jesus for good works,  
so that, bearing fruit unto holiness,  
they may attain the outcome,  
which is eternal life.

*Westminster Confession of Faith, Sec. 16, No. 2*

**\*Hymn No. 468**

**“My Faith Has Found a Resting Place”**

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### **Public Confession of Sin**

My God, I bless You that You have given me the eye of faith,  
to see You as Father,  
to know You as a covenant God,  
to experience Your love planted in me.

Be pleased to live and move within me,  
breathing in my prayers,  
inhabiting my praises,  
speaking in my words,  
living in my life,  
causing me to grow in grace.

Your bounteous goodness has helped me believe,  
but my faith is weak and wavering,  
its light dim,  
its steps tottering,  
its increase slow,  
its backslidings frequent.

Lord, fan this divine spark into a glowing flame!  
When faith sleeps, my heart becomes an unclean thing,  
the fount of every loathsome desire,  
the cage of unclean lusts all fluttering to escape,  
the toxic tree with deadly fruit.

Lord, awake faith to put forth its strength  
until all heaven fills my soul  
and all impurity is cast out.

### **Private Confession**

### **Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel**

But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: The steadfast love of the  
LORD never ceases; His mercies never come to an end; they are new every  
morning; great is Your faithfulness.

*Lamentations 3:21-23*

### **Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer**

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

## Musical Offering

8:00

“Herzlich tut mich erfreuen”  
Dr. Davy, organ

*Johannes Brahms*

9:30/11:00

“Here Is Hope”  
Alicia Ucciferri, solo • J. Marty Cope, piano

*Rob Gardner*

### \*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.**

### \*The Scripture Reading: Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43; Genesis 2.15-17

Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43

*He put another parable before them, saying, “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field,*

<sup>25</sup> *but while his men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away.*

<sup>26</sup> *So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also.*

<sup>27</sup> *And the servants of the master of the house came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have weeds?’*

<sup>28</sup> *He said to them, ‘An enemy has done this.’ So the servants said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’*

<sup>29</sup> *But he said, ‘No, lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along with them.*

<sup>30</sup> *Let both grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, “Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.”’*

<sup>36</sup> *Then He left the crowds and went into the house. And His disciples came to Him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.”*

<sup>37</sup> *He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man.*

<sup>38</sup> *The field is the world, and the good seed is the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one,*

<sup>39</sup> *and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels.*

<sup>40</sup> *Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the end of the age.*

<sup>41</sup> *The Son of Man will send His angels, and they will gather out of His kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers,*

<sup>42</sup> *and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.*

<sup>43</sup> *Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear.*

Genesis 2.15-17

*The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it.*

<sup>16</sup> *And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, “You may surely eat of every tree of the garden,*

<sup>17</sup> *but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”*

**The Sermon**

“The Wheat and the Tares”

Mr. Williams 8:00

Dr. Deison 9:30/11:00

Worshippers 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**

**"By Faith"**

*Getty/Townend*



1. By faith we see the hand of God in the
2. By faith our fa - thers roamed the earth with the
3. By faith the pro - phets saw a day when the
4. By faith the church was called to go in the
5. By faith this moun - tain shall be moved and the



light of cre - a - tion's grand de - sign, in the lives of those who prove His  
pow'r of His pro-mise in their hearts, of a ho - ly cit - y built by  
longed-for Mes - si - ah would ap - pear with the pow'r to break the chains of  
pow'r of the Spir - it to the lost to de - liv - er cap - tives and to  
pow'r of the gos - pel shall pre - vail, for we know in Christ all things are



faith - ful - ness, who walk by faith and not by sight. (to vs. 2)  
God's own hand, a place where peace and jus - tice reign.→  
sin and death and rise tri - um - phant from the grave. (to vs. 4)  
preach good news in ev - 'ry cor - ner of the earth.→  
pos - si - ble for all who call up - on His name.→



We will stand as chil-dren of the pro - mise; We will fix our



eyes on Him, our soul's re - ward. 'Till the race is fin - ished and the



work is done we'll walk by faith and not by sight.

**\*The Benediction**

**Minister:** Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it.

*1 Thessalonians 5.23-24*

**People:** **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**Postlude**

**"Toccata in G"**  
*Dr. Davy, organ*

*Theodore Dubois*

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

**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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**Senior Pastor**  
The Rev. Mark Davis

**Session/Associate Pastors**

John Bateman	George Hanson	David Newman
The Rev. Mark Davis, <i>Moderator</i>	Eric Horan	Boots Nowlin
Dr. Pete Deison	Houston Hunt	Scott Rohrman
Jack Denman	Ed Jarrett	Rob Sayles
Don Dillahunty	Tim Jeffress	The Rev. Chad Scruggs
Pete Flowers, <i>Clerk</i>	Gregory Morris	Blake Woodall
The Rev. Paul Goebel	Tom Neuhoﬀ, Jr.	

**Assistant Pastors**

The Rev. Ron Williams	The Rev. Brent Baker
The Rev. Bill Lamberth	The Rev. Robby Higginbottom
The Rev. Tommy Overton	The Rev. Matt Fray

elcome 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](mailto: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*

# SERMON NOTES

Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43; Genesis 2.15-17  
“The Wheat and the Tares”

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## The Mysteries of the Kingdom

Matthew 1-12 — The King and His Kingdom

Matthew 13 — The Seven Kingdom Parables

- Introduced by the Soils: a kingdom of fruitful sowing
- The Mustard Seed: a kingdom of giant size
- The Yeast or Leaven: a kingdom that permeates the world
- Hidden Treasures: a kingdom of great value
- The Pearl: a kingdom worthy of sacrifice
- The Net: a kingdom of great diversity
- The Wheat and the Tares:
  - the planting of seeds
  - the servant's question
  - the master's response
  - the master's concern
  - advancing the Kingdom



## Order of Worship for the Home – The Week of July 29, 2018

### Praise

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

In You, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame; in Your righteousness deliver me! Incline Your ear to me; rescue me speedily!  
Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me!

Psalm 31.1-2

**“By Faith”** *(read or sing these words together)*

Please see the hymn on page six.

### Hearing and Learning God’s Word

**Scripture Reading:** Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43; Genesis 2.15-17 *(one person read the Scripture aloud)*

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

1. What do the wheat and the tares represent?
2. Who is the landowner and who is the enemy?
3. What was the enemy trying to do?
4. What was the landowner concerned about and why?
5. Do you know any people who represent the tares?

**Questions for older children:**

1. How is the Genesis passage tied to the Matthew passage?
2. Have you encountered any “tare-like” people? How have they tried to harm you?
3. Who do you think Jesus was trying to warn the disciples about in this story?

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

Matthew 7.24-27

Everyone then who hears these words of Mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. <sup>25</sup> And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. <sup>26</sup> And everyone who hears these words of Mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand.

<sup>27</sup> And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it.

### 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.