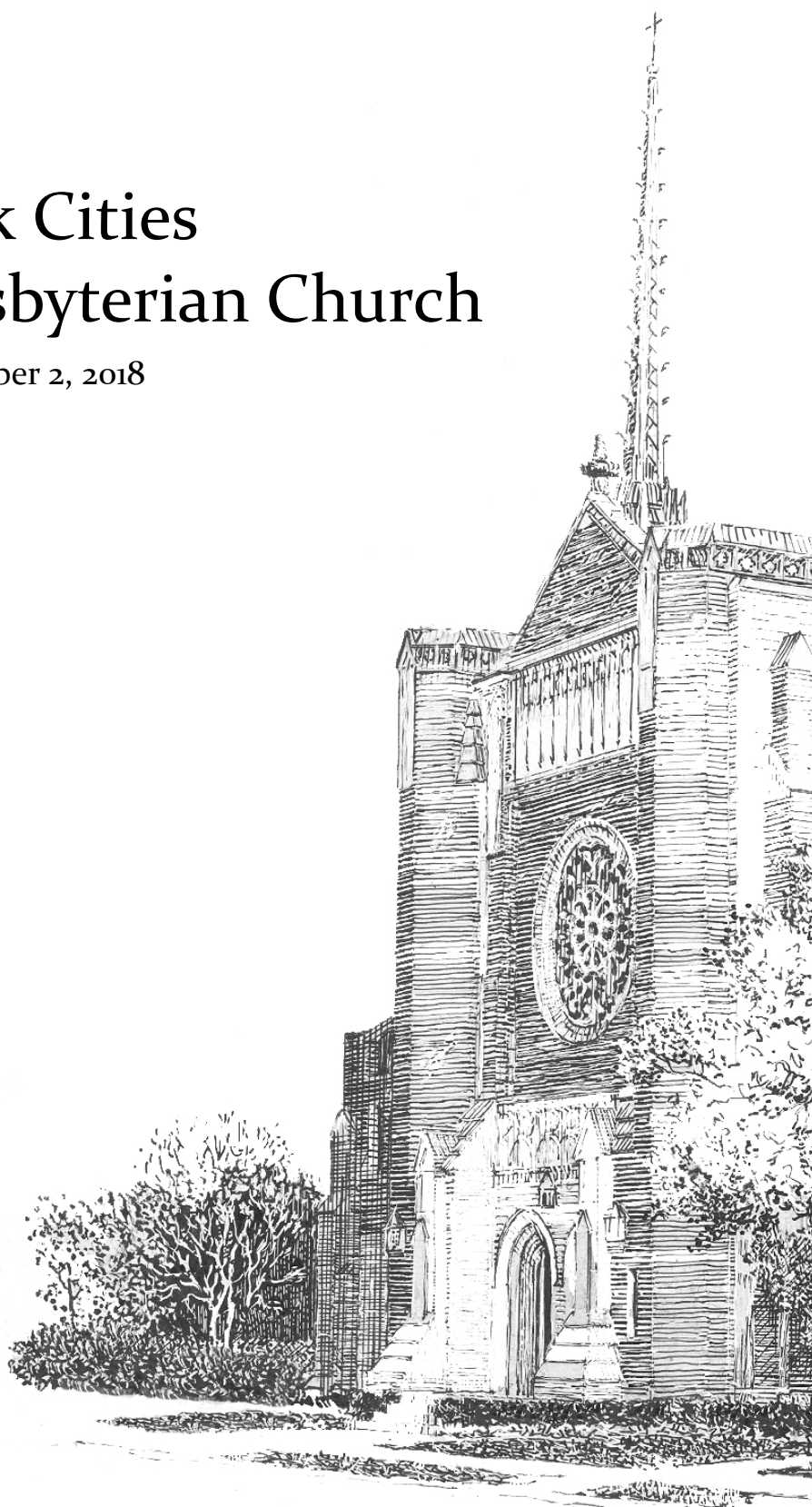


# Park Cities Presbyterian Church

September 2, 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

September 2, 2018  
8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

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### Prelude

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”  
Stephen Nielson, *piano*  
J. Marty Cope, *organ*

*ODE TO JOY*  
*arr. Nielson & Young*

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

### Call to Worship

The Rev. Mark Davis

Minister: Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice,

**People: “Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!”**

Minister: And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying,

**People: “To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!”** Revelation 5.11-13

**\*Hymn of Praise No. 295 “Crown Him with Many Crowns”**

*DIADEMATA*

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

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

The Rev. Tommy Overton 8:00  
The Rev. Paul Goebel 9:30  
The Rev. Matt Fray 11:00

Hear my cry, O God,  
listen to my prayer;  
from the end of the earth I call to You  
when my heart is faint.  
Lead me to the rock  
that is higher than I,

for You have been my refuge,  
a strong tower against the enemy.  
Let me dwell in Your tent forever!  
Let me take refuge under the shelter of Your wings!  
For You, O God, have heard my vows;  
You have given me the heritage of those who fear Your name.

Psalm 61.1-5

\*Hymn

“O Love That Will Not Let Me Go”

Matheson/Miner



1. O love that will not let me go, I rest my wear - y  
2. O light that fol - lows all my way, I yield my flick' - ring  
3. O Joy that seek - est me through pain, I can - not close my  
4. O cross that lift - est up my head, I dare not ask to



soul in Thee; I give Thee back the life I owe, that  
torch to Thee; My heart re - stores its bor - rowed ray, that  
heart to Thee; I trace the rain - bow through the rain, and  
fly from Thee; I lay in dust life's glo - ry dead, and



in Thine o - cean depths its flow may rich - er, full - er be.  
in Thy sun-shine's blaze its day may bright - er, fair - er be.  
feel the prom - ise is not vain, that morn shall tear - less be.  
from the ground there bloss - oms red life that shall end - less be.

## Public Confession of Sin

Gracious God,  
our sins are too heavy to carry,  
too real to hide,  
and too deep to undo.  
Forgive what our lips tremble to name,  
what our hearts can no longer bear,  
and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment.  
Set us free from a past that we cannot change;  
open to us a future in which we can be changed;  
and grant us grace to grow more and more in Your likeness and image,  
through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

## Private Confession

## Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear Him. For He knows our frame; He remembers that we are dust.

Psalm 103.13-14

## Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Overton 8:00

Mr. Goebel 9:30

Mr. Fray 11:00

## Musical Offering

8:00

“Intermezzo in E Major”  
Mr. Nielson, *piano*

*Johannes Brahms*

9:30/11:00

“Let the Praise Go ‘Round”  
Chancel Choir • Mr. Cope, *director* • Mr. Nielson, *piano*

*Boyce/arr. Hopson*

*Hallelujah. Sing and rejoice. O Praise the Lord.  
Let the sound go ‘round, let our praise abound.  
Sing we hallelujah. Hallelujah!*

## \*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. The peace of the Lord be with you always. 1 Peter 1:3

People: **And also with you.**

## Extending the Kingdom: re|engage

9:30/11:00

Ashley and Michael Boone

## \*The Scripture Reading

1 Samuel 1.1-20

*There was a certain man of Ramathaim-zophim of the hill country of Ephraim whose name was Elkanah the son of Jeroham, son of Elihu, son of Tohu, son of Zuph, an Ephrathite.*

<sup>2</sup> *He had two wives. The name of the one was Hannah, and the name of the other, Peninnah. And Peninnah had children, but Hannah had no children.*

<sup>3</sup> *Now this man used to go up year by year from his city to worship and to sacrifice to the LORD of hosts at Shiloh, where the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were priests of the LORD.*

<sup>4</sup> *On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to Peninnah his wife and to all her sons and daughters.*

<sup>5</sup> *But to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the LORD had closed her womb.*

<sup>6</sup> *And her rival used to provoke her grievously to irritate her, because the LORD had closed her womb.*

<sup>7</sup> *So it went on year by year. As often as she went up to the house of the LORD, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat.*

<sup>8</sup> *And Elkanah, her husband, said to her, “Hannah, why do you weep? And why do you not eat? And why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?”*

- <sup>9</sup> After they had eaten and drunk in Shiloh, Hannah rose. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the LORD.
- <sup>10</sup> She was deeply distressed and prayed to the LORD and wept bitterly.
- <sup>11</sup> And she vowed a vow and said, "O LORD of hosts, if You will indeed look on the affliction of Your servant and remember me and not forget Your servant, but will give to Your servant a son, then I will give him to the LORD all the days of his life, and no razor shall touch his head."
- <sup>12</sup> As she continued praying before the LORD, Eli observed her mouth.
- <sup>13</sup> Hannah was speaking in her heart; only her lips moved, and her voice was not heard. Therefore Eli took her to be a drunken woman.
- <sup>14</sup> And Eli said to her, "How long will you go on being drunk? Put your wine away from you."
- <sup>15</sup> But Hannah answered, "No, my lord, I am a woman troubled in spirit. I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the LORD.
- <sup>16</sup> Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for all along I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation."
- <sup>17</sup> Then Eli answered, "Go in peace, and the God of Israel grant your petition that you have made to Him."
- <sup>18</sup> And she said, "Let your servant find favor in your eyes." Then the woman went her way and ate, and her face was no longer sad.
- <sup>19</sup> They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the LORD; then they went back to their house at Ramah. And Elkanah knew Hannah his wife, and the LORD remembered her.
- <sup>20</sup> And in due time Hannah conceived and bore a son, and she called his name Samuel, for she said, "I have asked for him from the LORD."

The Sermon

"God's Starting Point"

Mr. Davis

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!

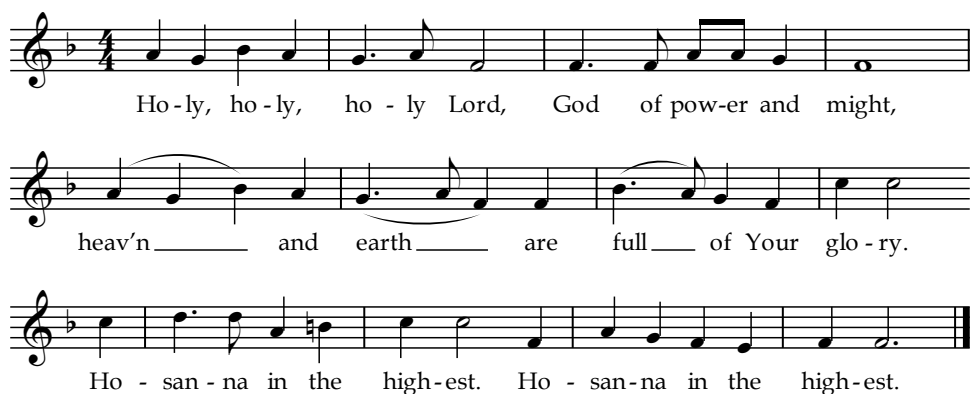
**People: We lift them up to the Lord!**

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:**



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 Words of Institution 8:00**

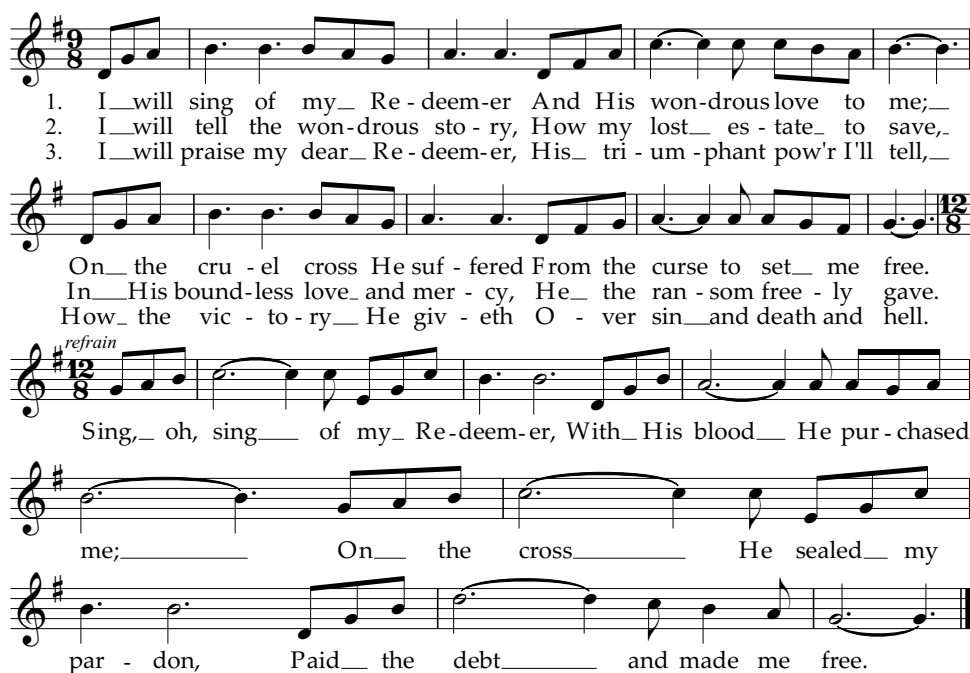
**Communion 8:00**

*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**

**"I Will Sing of My Redeemer"**

*MY REDEEMER*



1. I will sing of my Re-deem-er And His won-drous love to me;  
 2. I will tell the won-drous sto-ry, How my lost es-tate to save,  
 3. I will praise my dear Re-deem-er, His tri-um-phiant pow'r I'll tell,  
 On the cru-el cross He suf-fered From the curse to set me free.  
 In His bound-less love and mer-cy, He the ran-som free-ly gave.  
 How the vic-to-ry He giv-eth O-ver sin and death and hell.  
*refrain*  
 Sing, oh, sing of my Re-deem-er, With His blood He pur-chased  
 me; On the cross He sealed my  
 par-don, Paid the debt and made me free.

**\*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**

8:00	“Let All Things Now Living” Mr. Nielson, <i>piano</i>	ASHGROVE <i>arr. S. Nielson</i>
9:30/11:00	“Finale” from <i>Sonata II</i> Mr. Cope, <i>organ</i>	<i>Charles Ore</i>

*\*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.**



*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 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*

# SERMON NOTES

“God’s Starting Point”  
1 Samuel 1.1-20

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## Order of Worship for the Home – The Week of September 2, 2018

### Praise

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

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!

**“O Love That Will Not Let Me Go”** *(read or sing these words together)*

Please see the hymn on page three.

### Hearing and Learning God’s Word

**Scripture Reading:** 1 Samuel 1.1-20 *(one person read the Scripture aloud)*

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

1. List all of the different people in the story of 1 Samuel 1.1-28.
2. What is upsetting Hannah? What does it mean that she was barren?
3. What does Hannah do with her problem and pain?
4. What can we learn about prayer from Hannah?
5. How did Eli respond to Hannah?
6. What do we learn about God’s heart from this story?

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

And the Lord came and stood, calling as at other times, “Samuel! Samuel!” And Samuel said, “Speak, for Your servant hears.” 1 Samuel 3.10

### 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.