

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

December 16, 2018  
8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

*Third Sunday of Advent*

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*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.*

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## Prelude

“On Christmas Night All Christians Sing”  
Stephen Nielson, *piano*

*SUSSEX CAROL*  
*arr. S. Nielson*

*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: Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy.

**People: For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert;**

Minister: For to us a Child is born, to us a Son is given;

**People: and the government shall be upon His shoulder, and His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.**

Isaiah 35:5-6; 9:6

## \*Carol No. 218

“Angels, from the Realms of Glory”

*REGENT SQUARE*

## \*Prayer of Adoration

## \*Profession of Faith

Dr. Pete Deison 8:00  
The Rev. Matt Fray 9:30  
The Rev. Brent Baker 11:00

We believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God, begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary.

from the *Nicene Creed*

## \*Carol No. 200

“It Came upon the Midnight Clear”

CAROL

8:00

Stanzas 1-4

9:30/11:00 Stanza 1: Jennifer Barnes, *solo* • Stanzas 2-4: congregation

## Public Confession of Sin

O God, in the beginning You spoke,  
and creation was born, the object of Your loving care.  
In the fullness of time You spoke,  
and the Word became flesh, Jesus, gift of Your love.  
We wonder at the miracle of creation;  
we stand in awe before the mystery of the incarnation.  
Forgive us earthbound creatures, feeble in faith,  
empty of hope, lacking in love.  
We wait upon You with ready hearts, O God,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## Private Confession

## Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

John 1.4-5

## Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Dr. Deison 8:00  
Mr. Fray 9:30  
Mr. Baker 11:00

## Musical Offering

8:00

“Thou Who Wast Rich beyond All Splendor”  
Mr. Nielson, *piano*

QUELLE CETTE  
arr. S. Nielson

9:30/11:00

Jennifer Barnes, *vocalist* • Dr. Nathan Davy, *piano*

## \*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: For with You is the fountain of life; in Your light do we see light.  
The peace of the Lord be with you always. Psalm

Psalm 36.9

**People:** And also with you.

**\*The Scripture Reading: Hebrews 1.1-14.**

Mr. Williams 8:00

Katherine Steinbrueck 9:30

Angie Iles 11:00

*Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets,*

<sup>2</sup> but in these last days He has spoken to us by His Son, whom He appointed the heir of all things, through whom also He created the world.

<sup>3</sup> *He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of His nature, and He upholds the universe by the word of His power. After making purification for sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,*

<sup>4</sup> *having become as much superior to angels as the name He has inherited is more excellent than theirs.*

<sup>5</sup> For to which of the angels did God ever say, “You are My Son, today I have begotten you”? Or again, “I will be to Him a Father, and He shall be to Me a Son”?

<sup>6</sup> And again, when He brings the firstborn into the world, He says, "Let all God's angels worship Him."

<sup>7</sup> *Of the angels He says, "He makes His angels winds, and His ministers a flame of fire."*

<sup>8</sup> But of the Son He says, “Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, the scepter of uprightness is the scepter of Your kingdom.

*<sup>9</sup> You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, Your God, has anointed You with the oil of gladness beyond Your companions."*

<sup>10</sup> And, "You, Lord, laid the foundation of the earth in the beginning, and the heavens are the work of Your hands;

<sup>11</sup> *they will perish, but You remain; they will all wear out like a garment,*

<sup>12</sup> like a robe You will roll them up, like a garment they will be changed. But You are the same, and Your years will have no end.”

<sup>13</sup> *And to which of the angels has He ever said, “Sit at My right hand until I make Your enemies a footstool for Your feet”?*

<sup>14</sup> *Are they not all ministering spirits sent out to serve for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?*

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!

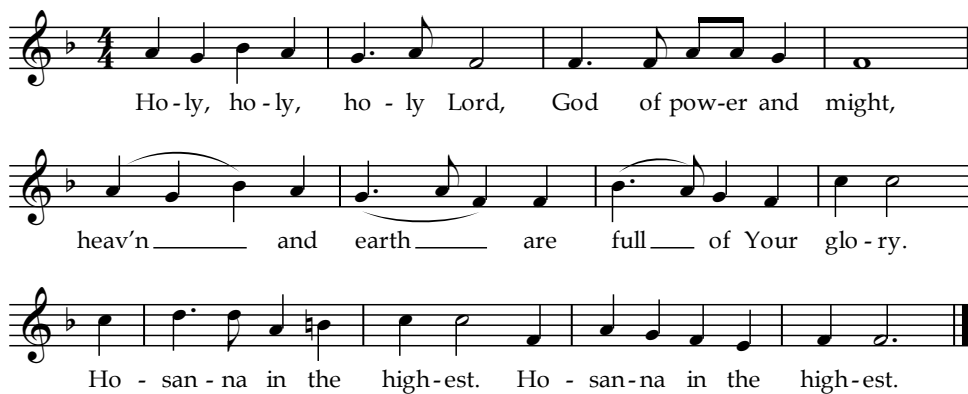
**People: We lift them up to the Lord!**

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.*

**\*The Benediction**

Minister: Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD  
has risen upon you. Isaiah 60.1

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

**Postlude**

8:00 “Once in Royal David’s City” *IRBY*  
Mr. Nielson, *piano* *arr. S. Nielson*

9:30/11:00 “Bring A Torch, Jeanette, Isabella” *arr. Keith Chapman*  
Dr. Davy, *organ*

*\*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*

**Ministers:** The members of this church family who,  
in serving their Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ,  
extend His Kingdom in Dallas and to the world.

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The Rev. Mark Davis

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# **SERMON NOTES**

THE KING'S CAROLS  
"O Come, All Ye Faithful"  
Hebrews 1.1-14

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## Order of Worship for the Home – The Week of December 16, 2018

### Praise

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

For to us a Child is born, to us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulder, and His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9.6

#### **“O Come, All Ye Faithful”** *(read or sing these words together)*

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  
Come and behold Him, born the King of angels;  
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.

### Hearing and Learning God’s Word

#### **Scripture Reading:** Hebrews 1.1-14 *(one person read the Scripture aloud)*

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

1. Why is Jesus called King of angels?
2. What does this passage teach us about the role of angels?
3. How is Jesus superior to the angels?
4. How do the angels serve God in the work of salvation?

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

Luke 2.11-14

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.  
<sup>12</sup> And this will be a sign for you: you will find a Baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.” <sup>13</sup> And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, <sup>14</sup> “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom He is pleased!”

### 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.