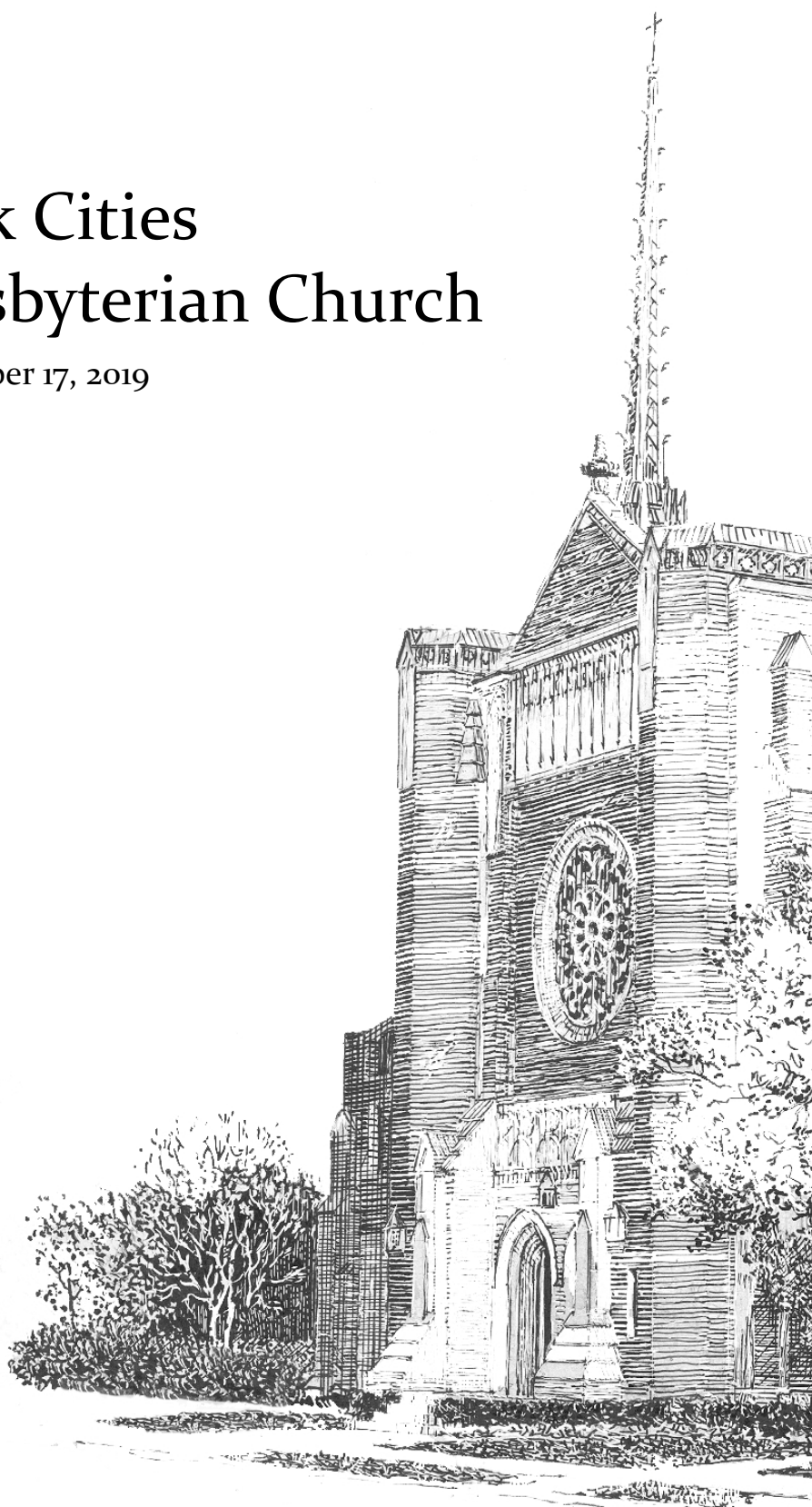


Park Cities Presbyterian Church

November 17, 2019



*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

November 17, 2019
8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

Prelude

“Ever Joyful”

Ralph Manuel

Nathan Davy, Stephen Nielson, J. Marty Cope, *piano trio*

*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. Paul Goebel 9:30/11:00

Minister: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;

People: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Minister: Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving;

People: let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!

Minister: For the LORD is a great God,

People: and a great King above all gods.

Minister: Oh come, let us worship and bow down;

People: let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

Minister: For He is our God,

**People: and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of
His hand.**

Psalm 95.1-3, 6-7

***Hymn of Praise No. 115** “All Creatures of Our God and King” *LASST UNS ERFREUEN*

Stanzas: 1-2, *all* • Stanza 3: *women* • Stanza 4: *men* • Stanza 5: *all*

*Prayer of Adoration

*Profession of Faith

The Rev. Bill Lamberth 8:00

The Rev. Matt Fray 9:30/11:00

**I believe that the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who out of nothing created heaven and earth
and everything in them,
who still upholds and rules them
by His eternal counsel and providence,
is my God and Father
because of Christ His Son.
I trust Him so much that I do not doubt
He will provide whatever I need
for body and soul,
and He will turn to my good
whatever adversity He sends me in this sad world.
He is able to do this because He is Almighty God;
He desires to do this because He is a faithful Father.**

from *Heidelberg Catechism*, Q&A 26

***Hymn**

“By Faith”

Getty/Townend

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|-------|-------|------|--------|-------|--------|-----|-------|--|------|-----|
| 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

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| faith - ful - ness, | who walk by faith and not by sight. <i>(to vs. 2)</i> | |
| God's own hand, | a place where peace and jus-tice | reign.→ |
| sin and death | and rise tri - um - phant from the grave. <i>(to vs. 4)</i> | |
| 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 Sacrament of Baptism

9:30/11:00

Parental Vows

1. Do you acknowledge your children's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God's covenant promises on their behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for their salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your children to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before them a godly example, that you will pray with and for them, that you will teach them the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

Congregational Vow

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting these parents in the Christian nurture of their children?

9:30

Norman Robert Nottingham Templeton

11:00

William Robert Allen

William James Day

Bear Jackson Lord

Prayer for the Families

9:30/11:00

Public Confession of Sin

O Lord, we bless You
that we who turn away from You
may return to You immediately,
and be welcomed without anything to commend us,
notwithstanding all our former failures.

Our souls have been greatly distressed
because we did not suitably come
to the fountain that purges away all sin.

We have labored too much for spiritual life,
peace of conscience,
progressive holiness,
in our own strength.

We beg You,
show us the arm of all might;
give us to believe that You can do for us
more than we ask or think,
and that, though we sin,

**Your love will never let us go,
but will draw us back to You with everlasting cords;
that You provide grace in the wilderness,
and can bring us out,
leaning on the arm of our Beloved.
Keep us solemn, devout, faithful,
resting on free grace for assistance,
acceptance, and peace of conscience.**

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

In Him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in Him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of His glory.

Ephesians 1.13-14

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

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

Musical Offering

8:00 “Be Still, My Soul” FINLANDIA
Mr. Nielson, *piano* arr. S. Nielson

9:30/11:00 "Keep Your Lamps" arr. André J. Thomas
Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, *director* • Mark Macatee, *percussion*

*Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh.
Children, don't get weary 'til your work is done.
Christian, journey soon be over the time is drawing nigh.*

*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: And I am sure of this, that He who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. The peace of the Lord be with you always. Philippians 1.6

People: And also with you.

***The Scripture Reading**

Hebrews 3.7-19

- Therefore, as the Holy Spirit says, “Today, if you hear his voice,
8 do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion, on the day of testing in the wilderness,
9 where your fathers put me to the test and saw my works for forty years.
10 Therefore I was provoked with that generation, and said, ‘They always go astray in their heart; they have not known my ways.’
11 As I swore in my wrath, ‘They shall not enter my rest.’”
12 Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God.
13 But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.
14 For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end.
15 As it is said, “Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion.”
16 For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses?
17 And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness?
18 And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient?
19 So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.*

The Sermon

“Faith in the Wilderness”

Mr. Williams 8:00
Mr. Goebel 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:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of Your Glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

***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**

“O Love That Will Not Let Me Go”

Matheson/Miner

8:00 **No. 708**

(please turn to hymnal)

9:30/11:00



1. O Love that will not let me go, I rest my
2. O Light that foll - ow'st all my way, I yield my
3. O Joy that seek - est me through pain, I can - not
4. O Cross that lift - est up my head, I dare not



wear - y soul in Thee; I give Thee back the
flick - 'ring torch to Thee; My heart re - stores its
close my heart to Thee; I trace the rain - bow
ask to fly from Thee; I lay in dust life's



life I owe, That in Thine o - cean
bor - rowed ray, That in Thy sun - shine's
through the rain, and feel the prom - ise
glo - ry dead, And from the ground there



depths its flow May ri - cher full - er be.
blaze its day May brigh - ter fair - er be.
is not vain, That morn shall tear - less be.
bloss - oms red Life that shall end - less be.

***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

“Rise Up, O Saints of God”
Stephen Nielson, *piano*

FESTAL SONG
arr. S. Nielson

9:30/11:00

“Toccata in C major”
Dr. Davy, *organ*

Johann Pachelbel

**Please stand if you are able.*

SERMON NOTES

Hebrews 3.7-19
“Faith in the Wilderness”

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

Order of Worship for the Home – The Week of November 17, 2019

Praise

Call to Worship: *(everyone together)*

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise! For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

Psalm 95:1-3

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

Please see the hymn on page seven.

Hearing and Learning God’s Word

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 3.7-19 *(one person read the Scripture aloud)*

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

1. Why does the Bible describe the people of God as a people in the wilderness? What was the wilderness for the Israelites during the Exodus? What was the wilderness for the original hearers of the book of Hebrews? What does the wilderness look like for the Church today?
2. What does it mean for faith to be tested? Has your faith ever been tested?
3. What is the difference between doubt and unbelief? What does unbelief have to do with disobedience? What does faith have to do with obedience?
4. Can someone with authentic faith ever lose it? Why? What does it mean for faith to persevere?
5. What is the Holy Spirit’s role when it comes to faith? How does this make faith a gift?
6. Why is the object of our faith more important than the strength of our faith? What assurance does this give?

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

Hebrews 2.18

For because He Himself has suffered when tempted, He is able to help those who are being tempted.

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.