

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

December 22, 2019
8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

Fourth Sunday of Advent

*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.*

Prelude

8:00 "Of the Father's Love Begotten" *Wilbur Held*
Dr. Nathan Davy, organ

9:30/11:00 "Angels We Have Heard on High" *arr. Tim Zimmerman*
Tim Zimmerman and The King's Brass

Call to Worship

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00
The Rev. Paul Goebel 9:30/11:00

Minister: The LORD has made known His salvation;

People: He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations.

Minister: He has remembered His steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

People: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Minister: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;

People: break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

Minister: With trumpets and the sound of the horn

People: make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD! *Psalms 98.2-4, 6*

*Carol No. 195 "Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come" *ANTIOCH*

*Prayer of Adoration

*Profession of Faith

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

Minister: What does it mean that He “was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary”?

**People: That the eternal Son of God,
who is and remains
true and eternal God,
took to Himself,
through the working of the Holy Spirit,
from the flesh and blood of the virgin Mary,
a truly human nature
so that He might also become David’s true descendant,
like His brothers and sisters in every way
except for sin.**

Heidelberg Catechism, Question 35

Musical Reflection

9:30/11:00

“What Child Is This”

Tim Zimmerman and The King’s Brass

arr. David Gravesen

Public Confession of Sin

Minister: Arise, shine: for your light has come.

**People: O God, we live as if the light
had never defeated the darkness in the world or in us.**

Minister: And the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

**People: We confess that we ignore Christ,
the One You sent to be among us, to be in us.**

Minister: For behold, darkness shall cover the earth,
and thick darkness the peoples;
but the LORD will arise upon you, and His glory will be
seen upon you.

**People: We’ve kept the birth of Your Son confined to the Christmas
season and do not yearn for His birth each moment in
our waiting hearts.**

Minister: And nations shall come to Your light,
and kings to the brightness of Your rising.

**People: LORD, You came to us in the fullness of time.
Forgive us for not opening our eyes to your coming.
May we prepare for your coming.
Let the earth ring with song. Let the light break forth.
Let us all rejoice in the miracle of the Incarnation.
Let Christ come into the fullness of our time. Amen.**

based on Isaiah 60.1-3

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and He shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved, and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: “The LORD is our righteousness.” Jeremiah 33.15-16

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

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

Musical Offering

8:00

“Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming”
Dr. Davy, organ

Johannes Brahms

9:30/11:00

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”
Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, conductor
Tim Zimmerman and The King's Brass,
Dr. Davy, organ • Lexi Batchelor and Stephen Nielson, piano

arr. Dan Forrest

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

*Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exaltation!
Sing all ye citizens of heaven above.
Glory to God, all glory in the highest.
O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.*

*Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning,
Jesus, to Thee be all glory given!
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing,
O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.*

***The Greeting of Peace**

Minister: For God, who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

2 Corinthians 4.6

People: **And also with you.**

The Service of Friendship/Announcements

***The Scripture Reading**

Isaiah 11.1-2, Luke 1.26-37, Acts 1.8

Isaiah 11.1-2

There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit.

² *And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.*

Luke 1.26-37

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth,

²⁷ *to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary.*

²⁸ *And he came to her and said, "Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!"*

²⁹ *But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be.*

³⁰ *And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God.*

³¹ *And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus.*

³² *He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to Him the throne of His father David,*

³³ *and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end."*

³⁴ *And Mary said to the angel, "How will this be, since I am a virgin?"*

³⁵ *And the angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the Child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God.*

³⁶ *And behold, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren.*

³⁷ *For nothing will be impossible with God."*

Acts 1.8

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.

The Sermon

THE REST OF CHRISTMAS
"The Rest of the Holy Spirit"

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!

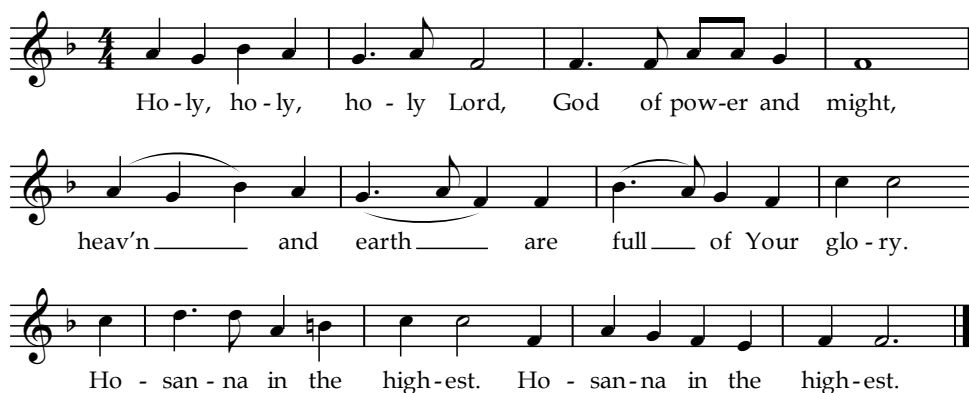
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

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:



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 Carol No. 203 "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"**

MENDELSSOHN

***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

“From Heaven High I Come to You”
Dr. Davy, *organ*

Johann Pachelbel

9:30/11:00

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”
Tim Zimmerman and The King’s Brass

arr. Dan Marvin

**Please stand if you are able.*

*We thank Tim Zimmerman and the King’s Brass
for leading in worship this morning.*

Tim Zimmerman, *trumpet*
Gregory Alley, *trumpet*
Matt Dueppen, *trumpet*
Simeon Davis, *trombone*
Robert Earhart, *trombone*
Jonah Trout, *trombone*
Dan Davis, *tuba*
Colton Morris, *percussion*
Roger Vanmaasdam, *piano/organ*

**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

THE REST OF CHRISTMAS
“The Rest of the Holy Spirit”

Isaiah 11.1-2, Luke 1.26-37, Acts 1.8

Order of Worship for the Home – The Week of December 22, 2019

Praise

Call to Worship: *(everyone together)*

The LORD has made known His salvation; He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations. He has remembered His steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

Psalm 98.2-4

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

Please see the words on page four.

Hearing and Learning God’s Word

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 11.1-2, Luke 1.26-37, Acts 1.8 *(one person read the Scripture aloud)*

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

1. Who is the Holy Spirit? What role did the Holy Spirit play in the life of Jesus? What role does the Holy Spirit play in our lives?
2. What does the Holy Spirit have to do with the birth of Jesus?
3. In what way was the Holy Spirit the “intimate companion” of Jesus during His life and ministry?
4. How did the Holy Spirit rest on Mary? How did the Holy Spirit rest on Jesus? How does the Holy Spirit rest on us?
5. What does the power of the Holy Spirit in the life of Jesus tell us about the power of the Holy Spirit in our own lives?
6. How does the work of the Holy Spirit change the story of Christmas? What hope does this give us during the season of Advent?

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

Isaiah 9.6

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.

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.