

Park Cities Presbyterian Church

January 19, 2020



*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.*



CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S TABLE

January 19, 2020
8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

Prelude

“Festive Trumpet Tune”
Dr. Nathan Davy, organ

David German

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

People: break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

Minister: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;

People: the world and those who dwell in it!

Minister: Let the rivers clap their hands;

People: let the hills sing for joy together before the LORD,

Minister: for He comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world
with righteousness,

People: and the peoples with equity.

Psalm 98.4, 7-9

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

*Prayer of Adoration

*Profession of Faith

The Rev. Robby Higginbottom

Minister: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

People: That I belong—

**body and soul,
in life and in death—
not to myself,**

**but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ,
who at the cost of His own blood
has fully paid for all my sins**

**and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil;
that He protects me so well**

**that without the will of my Father in heaven
not a hair can fall from my head;**

indeed, that everything must fit His purpose for my salvation.

**Therefore, by His Holy Spirit,
He also assures me of eternal life,
and makes me wholeheartedly willing
and ready from now on to live for Him.**

Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1

*Hymn

“He Will Hold Me Fast”

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When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
Those He saves are His de - light, Christ will hold me fast;
For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;



When the tempt-er would pre - vail, He will hold me fast.
Pre - cious in His ho - ly sight, He will hold me fast.
Just - ice has been sat - is - fied; He will hold me fast.



I could nev-er keep my hold through life's fear-ful path;
He'll not let my soul be lost; His prom - is - es shall last;
Raised with Him to end-less life, He will hold me fast



for my love is oft - en cold; He must hold me fast. —
bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast. —
'Till our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last! —

Refrain



He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;



for my Sav-ior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

The Sacrament of Baptism

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?

Charlotte Leigh Snell
Dockery Preston Ulrich

Prayer for the Families

11:00

Public Confession of Sin

We praise You, O God of light,
that in You there is no darkness at all.
We are Your children;
help us to walk as children of the light.
Illumine our lives with Your Word of truth,
that we might know ourselves and see our great need for You.
Father, we confess before You and in the presence of one another
those things which You alone can see;
the part of us which nurtures sinful desire,
the pride that shields us from being really honest with You
and with one another.
We are afraid to be seen as we really are,
and yet, O God, You know us through and through.
Impress upon me that since I have been crucified with Christ,
that I am dead to my sin.
Lord, I cry out to You in my need.
Be pleased to help me, O God,
through Jesus my Savior and Light,
who rescues me from the darkness.

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

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

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Higginbottom

Musical Offering

8:00

“Priere”
Dr. Davy, organ

Jean Langlais

9:30/11:00

“Lord of the Small”
Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, conductor
Stephen Nielson, piano • Dr. Davy, organ

Anderson/Forrest

*Praise to the Lord of the small broken things,
who sees the poor sparrow that cannot take wing,
who loves the lame child and the wretch in the street,
who comforts their sorrows and washes their feet.*

*Praise to the Lord of the faint and afraid
who girds them with courage and lends them His aid,
He pours out His spirit on vessels so weak,
that the timid can serve and the silent can speak.*

*Praise to the Lord of the frail and the ill
who heals their afflictions or carries them till,
they leave this tired frame and to paradise fly.
to never be sick and never to die.*

*Praise Him, O praise Him all ye who live
who've been given so much and can so little give,
our frail lisping praise God will never despise—
He sees His dear children through mercy-filled eyes.*

*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope. The peace of the Lord be with you always. Romans 15:13

People: And also with you.

Extending the Kingdom: Sanctity of Life

Jon and Lesleigh Perdue

9:30/11:00

- Therefore let us leave the elementary doctrine of Christ and go on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God,*
- ² *and of instruction about washings, the laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment.*
- ³ *And this we will do if God permits.*
- ⁴ *For it is impossible, in the case of those who have once been enlightened, who have tasted the heavenly gift, and have shared in the Holy Spirit,*
- ⁵ *and have tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the age to come,*
- ⁶ *and then have fallen away, to restore them again to repentance, since they are crucifying once again the Son of God to their own harm and holding Him up to contempt.*
- ⁷ *For land that has drunk the rain that often falls on it, and produces a crop useful to those for whose sake it is cultivated, receives a blessing from God.*
- ⁸ *But if it bears thorns and thistles, it is worthless and near to being cursed, and its end is to be burned.*
- ⁹ *Though we speak in this way, yet in your case, beloved, we feel sure of better things—things that belong to salvation.*
- ¹⁰ *For God is not unjust so as to overlook your work and the love that you have shown for His name in serving the saints, as you still do.*
- ¹¹ *And we desire each one of you to show the same earnestness to have the full assurance of hope until the end,*
- ¹² *so that you may not be sluggish, but imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.*

The Sermon

“A Terrifying Warning and
the Full Assurance of Lasting Hope”

Mr. Williams 8:00
Mr. Davis 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 No. 500** “Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me” *NEW CITY FELLOWSHIP*

***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 “I Sing the Mighty Power of God” *Robert Powell*
Dr. Davy, organ

**Please stand if you are able.*

Celebrating the Sanctity of Human Life, the flowers in our worship services this morning are given to the glory of God by friends of the Thrive Women’s Clinic in honor of the babies saved and the men and women who came into a relationship with Christ in 2019 through this ministry.

The red flowers represent the 214 babies who were saved from the tragedy of abortion, and the white flowers represent the 64 new believers who have come into a relationship with Christ through this ministry.

Park Cities Presbyterian Church exists to extend the transforming presence of the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ in Dallas and to the world.

SERMON NOTES

Hebrews 6.1-12

“A Terrifying Warning and
the Full Assurance of Lasting Hope”



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 January 19, 2020

Praise

Call to Worship: *(everyone together)*

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises! Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who dwell in it! Let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together before the LORD, for He comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

Psalm 98.4, 7-9

“He Will Hold Me Fast” *(read or sing these words together)*

Please see the hymn on page three.

Hearing and Learning God’s Word

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 6.1-12 *(one person read the Scripture aloud)*

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

1. What is assurance of salvation?
2. Is it possible for Christians to have full assurance of salvation in Christ? How?
3. Is it possible for people to have false assurance? What might this look like?
4. Why is the author of Hebrews offering such a strong warning in Hebrews 6.4-6?
5. What does this author want for those who hear his letter? (see 6.11-12)

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

Hebrews 4.14-16

Since then we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. ¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶ Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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.