

# Park Cities Presbyterian Church

January 26, 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.*



## ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

January 26, 2020  
8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

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### \*Call to Worship

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

Minister: I love You, O LORD, my strength.

**People: The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,**

Minister: my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge,

**People: my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.**

Minister: For this I will praise You, O LORD, among the nations,

**People: and sing to Your name.**

Minister: Great salvation He brings to His king,

**People: and shows steadfast love to His anointed, to David and his  
offspring forever.**

Psalm 18.1-2, 49-50

### \*Hymn of Praise No. 38 “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

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### \*Prayer of Adoration

### \*Profession of Faith

The Rev. Tommy Overton

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed



1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, He is my  
 2. In Christ a - lone who took on flesh, full - ness of  
 3. There in the ground His bod - y lay, Light of the  
 4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the



light, my strength, my song; This Cor - ner - stone, this so - lid  
 God in help - less babe! This gift of love and right-eous-  
 world by dark - ness slain: Then burst-ing forth in glo-r'ous  
 pow'r of Christ in me; From life's first cry to fi - nal



Ground, firm through the fier - cest drought and storm.  
 ness scorned by the ones He came to save:  
 Day up from the grave He rose a - gain!  
 breath Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny.



What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are  
 'Till on that cross as Je - sus died, the wrath of  
 And as He stands in vic - to - ry sin's curse has  
 No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can ev - er



stilled, when striv - ings cease! My Com - for - ter, my All in  
 God was sat - is - fied For ev - 'ry sin on Him was  
 lost its grip on me, For I am His and He is  
 pluck me from His hand; 'Till He re - turns or calls me



All, here in the love of Christ I stand.  
 laid; here in the death of Christ I live.  
 mine— bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.  
 home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

## Public Confession of Sin

O Lord God, who inhabits eternity,  
the heavens declare Your glory,  
the earth Your riches,  
the universe is Your temple;

I thank You for Your riches given to me in Jesus:  
for the unclouded revelation of Him in Your Word,  
where I behold His person, character, grace, glory,  
humiliation, sufferings, death, and resurrection.

I come to You in the all-prevailing name of Jesus,  
with nothing of my own to plead,  
no works, no worthiness, no promises.

I am often straying, often knowingly opposing Your authority,  
often abusing Your goodness.

Subdue in me the love of sin,  
let me know the need of renovation as well as of forgiveness,  
in order to serve and enjoy You forever.

## Private Confession

### Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. The LORD is good to all, and His mercy is over all that He has made.

Psalm 145:8-9

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

### Musical Meditation

“Arioso”

J. S. Bach

9:30/11:00 Christopher Adkins, *cello* • Stephen Nielson, *piano*

### Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Overton

### Musical Offering

8:00

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”  
Dr. Nathan Davy, *organ*

David Schelat

9:30/11:00

“The Gift of Love”  
Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, *conductor*  
Mr. Adkins, *cello* • Mr. Nielson, *piano* • Dr. Davy, *organ*

arr. Hal Hopson

*Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift, to all inspire, and have  
not love my words are vain, as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.  
Though I may give all I possess, and striving so my love profess, but not be given  
by love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin.  
Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control. Our spirits long to be made whole, let  
inward love guide every deed. By this we worship and are freed. Amen*

### \*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.**

**THE COMMISSIONING OF SHANNON DEBOER,  
HEIDI HILL, AND LAURA AND PAUL MILLER  
FOR MISSIONARY SERVICE**

9:30/11:00

**Explanation of Commissioning**

Mr. Goebel

**Ministry Description**

**The Commissioning Questions**

1. Have you been compelled, as far as you know your own heart, to seek missionary service from love to God and a sincere desire to promote His glory in the Gospel of His Son?
2. Do you promise to be zealous and faithful in maintaining the truth of the Gospel and the purity and peace of the Church, whatever persecution or opposition may arise unto you on that account?
3. Do you engage to be faithful and diligent in the exercise of all your duties as a Christian and a missionary, whether personal or relative, private or public; and to endeavor by the grace of God to adorn the profession of the Gospel in your manner of life, and to walk with exemplary piety before those whom you serve?
4. Are you willing to accept commissioning as a missionary of Park Cities Presbyterian Church as your home church and, therefore, are you willing to submit to the counsel, direction, and authority of PCPC?
5. Do you, relying upon God for strength, promise to discharge the duties God shall set before you through your mission agency and through PCPC?

**Question to the Congregation:**

Do you, the people of this congregation, promise, as the Lord leads and enables you, to pray for Shannon DeBoer, Heidi Hill, and Laura and Paul Miller and to encourage and support them in their labors, recognizing them as PCPC's ambassadors?

**The Commissioning Prayer**

Mr. Rick Owens

**\*The Scripture Reading**

Hebrews 6.11-20

*And we desire each one of you to show the same earnestness to have the full assurance of hope until the end,  
<sup>12</sup> so that you may not be sluggish, but imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.  
<sup>13</sup> For when God made a promise to Abraham, since He had no one greater by whom to swear, He swore by Himself,  
<sup>14</sup> saying, "Surely I will bless you and multiply you."  
<sup>15</sup> And thus Abraham, having patiently waited, obtained the promise.*

- <sup>16</sup> For people swear by something greater than themselves, and in all their disputes an oath is final for confirmation.
- <sup>17</sup> So when God desired to show more convincingly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of His purpose, He guaranteed it with an oath,
- <sup>18</sup> so that by two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to hold fast to the hope set before us.
- <sup>19</sup> We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain,
- <sup>20</sup> where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a High Priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.

**The Sermon**

“The Anchor”

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!

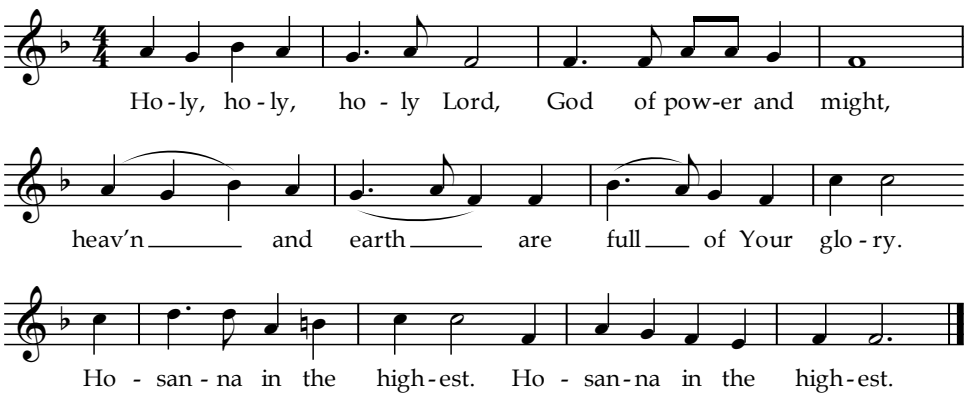
**People: We lift them up to the Lord!**

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 Hymn No. 521** “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

*SOLID ROCK*

**\*The Benediction**

Minister: May God, the Holy Trinity,  
make you strong in faith and love,  
defend you on every side,  
and guide you in truth and peace;  
and the blessing of God Almighty,  
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

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

**Postlude**

“Finale from Symphony 2”  
Dr. Davy, organ

*Charles-Marie Widor*

*\*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**

Hebrews 6.11-20  
“The Anchor”

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## Order of Worship for the Home – The Week of January 26, 2020

### Praise

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

I love You, O LORD, my strength. The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. For this I will praise You, O LORD, among the nations, and sing to Your name. Great salvation He brings to His king, and shows steadfast love to His anointed, to David and his offspring forever. Psalm 18.1-2, 49-50

**“In Christ Alone”** *(read or sing these words together)*

Please see the hymn on page three.

### Hearing and Learning God’s Word

**Scripture Reading:** Hebrews 6.11-20 *(one person read the Scripture aloud)*

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

1. What does it mean to be sure of something? What is the difference between being sure of yourself and the kind of assurance that can only be found in God?
2. What did God promise to Abraham? (Read Genesis 17.1-8) What do God’s promises to Abraham have to do with us? (Read Galatians 3.26-29)
3. How have you seen the faithfulness of God in your own life?
4. What does Christian faith have to trust? What does it mean to trust God?
5. What does the word “Amen” mean? Why do we say “Amen” at the end of our prayers?
6. Why was the anchor used as a Christian symbol during the first century? How is Jesus the “anchor of the soul”? (Read Hebrews 6.19)
7. How can you be sure that you have eternal life?

**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. <sup>15</sup> 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. <sup>16</sup> 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.