

# Park Cities Presbyterian Church

February 2, 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

February 2, 2020  
8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

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### Prelude

8:00 "Psalm Prelude Set 2, Number 2: Psalm 139.11" *Herbert Howells*  
Dr. Nathan Davy, *organ*

9:30/11:00 "Andante" *Ola Gjeilo*  
String Ensemble • Stephen Nielson, *piano*

*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: O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth!

**People: You have set Your glory above the heavens.**

Minister: When I look at Your heavens, the work of Your fingers,

**People: the moon and the stars, which You have set in place,**

Minister: what is man that You are mindful of him,

**People: and the son of man that You care for him?**

Minister: O LORD, our Lord,

**People: how majestic is Your name in all the earth!**

Psalm 8.1, 3-4, 9

### \*Hymn of Praise

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

ELLACOMBE



1. I sing the might - y power of God, that made the  
2. I sing the good - ness of the Lord, that filled the  
3. There's not a plant or flower be - low, but makes Thy



moun - tains rise; That spread the flow - ing seas a - broad, and  
earth with food; He formed the crea - tures with His word, and  
glo - ries known; and clouds a - rise and tem - pests blow, by



built the loft - y skies. I — sing the Wis - dom  
 then pro - nounced them good. Lord, how Thy won - ders  
 or - der from Thy throne; While all that bor - rows



that or - dained the — sun to rule the day; The moon shines  
 are dis - played, wher - e'er I turn my eye: If I sur -  
 life from Thee is — ev - er in Thy care, And ev - ery -



full at His com - mand, and all — the stars o - bey.  
 vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!  
 where that man can be, Thou, God, art pres - ent there.

**\*Prayer of Adoration**

**\*Profession of Faith**

The Rev. Bill Lamberth

**He is the image of the invisible God,  
 the firstborn of all creation.  
 For by Him all things were created,  
 in heaven and on earth,  
 visible and invisible,  
 whether thrones  
 or dominions  
 or rulers  
 or authorities—  
 all things were created through Him and for Him.  
 And He is before all things,  
 and in Him all things hold together.  
 And He is the head of the body,  
 the church.  
 He is the beginning,  
 the firstborn from the dead,  
 that in everything He might be preminent.  
 For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,  
 and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things,  
 whether on earth or in heaven,  
 making peace by the blood of His cross.**

Colossians 1.15-20

**\*Hymn No. 457**

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

NETTLETON

## Public Confession of Sin

O most great, most just and gracious God;  
You are of purer eyes than to behold iniquity,  
but You have promised mercy through Jesus Christ  
to all that repent and believe in Him.  
We confess that we have all sinned  
and come short of the glory of God.  
We have neglected Your holy worship.  
We have not sought first Your kingdom.  
You have revealed Your wonderful love to us in Christ  
and offered us pardon and salvation in Him,  
but we have turned away.  
Have mercy on us, most merciful Father!  
In Your Son is our salvation,  
in Your promises our hope.  
Take us for Your children  
and give us the Spirit of Your Son,  
through Jesus Christ our only Savior.

## Private Confession

### Words of Assurance

“For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put My law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be My people. And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, ‘Know the LORD,’ for they shall all know Me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”

Jeremiah 31:33-34

### \*Hymn of Assurance

“His Mercy Is More”

Papa/Boswell

9:30/11:00



What love could re - mem - ber no wrongs we have done; om -  
What pa - tience would wait as we con - stant - ly roam; what  
What rich - es of kind - ness He la - vished on us; His



ni - cient, all kno - wing, He counts not their sum. Thrown  
Fa - ther, so ten - der, is call - ing us home. He  
blood was the pay - ment, His life was the cost. We



in - to a sea with - out bot - tom or shore;  
wel - comes the weak - est, the vil - est, the poor; —  
stood 'neath a debt we could ne - ver af - ford; —

*Refrain*

our sins they are ma-ny, His mer-cy is more. Praise the Lord! —

His mer-cy is more. ————— Stron-ger than dark-ness, new ev'-ry

morn; our sins they are ma - ny, His mer - cy is more.

**Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer**

Mr. Lamberth

**Musical Offering**

8:00

Prelude on “Caithness”  
Dr. Davy, organ

*Craig Phillips*

9:30/11:00

“If You Search with All Your Heart”  
Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, conductor  
Mr. Nielson, piano • Dr. Davy, organ

*Craig Courtney*  
based on Jeremiah 29.11-14

*When you seek Me, you shall find Me if you search with all your heart.*

*For I know the plans I have for you: plans of welfare, not of evil.  
For I know the plans I have for you: plans of hope and a future.*

*I will bring you out of bondage to the land I have prepared.  
I will bring you out of bondage, bring you home to Me.*

**\*The Greeting of Peace**

Minister: For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Jeremiah 29.11

**People: And also with you.**

**\*The Scripture Reading**

Hebrews 7.1-3, 22-28; 8.1-6

- For this Melchizedek, king of Salem, priest of the Most High God, met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings and blessed him,*  
<sup>2</sup> *and to him Abraham apportioned a tenth part of everything. He is first, by translation of his name, king of righteousness, and then he is also king of Salem, that is, king of peace.*  
<sup>3</sup> *He is without father or mother or genealogy, having neither beginning of days nor end of life, but resembling the Son of God he continues a priest forever.*  
<sup>22</sup> *This makes Jesus the guarantor of a better covenant.*  
<sup>23</sup> *The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office,*  
<sup>24</sup> *but He holds His priesthood permanently, because He continues forever.*  
<sup>25</sup> *Consequently, He is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.*  
<sup>26</sup> *For it was indeed fitting that we should have such a High Priest, holy, innocent, unstained, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens.*  
<sup>27</sup> *He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for His own sins and then for those of the people, since He did this once for all when He offered up Himself.*  
<sup>28</sup> *For the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.*  
<sup>8.1</sup> *Now the point in what we are saying is this: we have such a High Priest, one who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven,*  
<sup>2</sup> *a minister in the holy places, in the true tent that the Lord set up, not man.*  
<sup>3</sup> *For every high priest is appointed to offer gifts and sacrifices; thus it is necessary for this priest also to have something to offer.*  
<sup>4</sup> *Now if he were on earth, He would not be a priest at all, since there are priests who offer gifts according to the law.*  
<sup>5</sup> *They serve a copy and shadow of the heavenly things. For when Moses was about to erect the tent, he was instructed by God, saying, "See that you make everything according to the pattern that was shown you on the mountain."*  
<sup>6</sup> *But as it is, Christ has obtained a ministry that is as much more excellent than the old as the covenant He mediates is better, since it is enacted on better promises.*

**The Sermon**

"Better"

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 No. 455 “And Can It Be That I Should Gain”**  
Stanzas: 1, 3-5

SAGINA

**\*The Benediction**

Minister: Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Hebrews 13.20-21

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

**Postlude**

“Prelude and Fugue in B major”  
Dr. Davy, organ

*Marcel Dupre*

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

*The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Katie Joy Johnson and David Douglas Owens.*

**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 7.1-3, 22-28; 8.1-6  
“Better”

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*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 February 2, 2020

### Praise

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

O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth! You have set Your glory above the heavens. When I look at Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars, which You have set in place, what is man that You are mindful of him, and the son of man that You care for him? O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth!

Psalm 8.1, 3-4, 9

**“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”** *(read or sing these words together)*

Please see the hymn on page two.

### Hearing and Learning God’s Word

**Scripture Reading:** Hebrews 7.1-3, 22-28; 8.1-6 *(one person read the Scripture aloud)*

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

1. What religion were the original hearers of Hebrews tempted to go back to? What religion(s) are we tempted to go back to? How is Jesus better than these religions?
2. Who was Melchizedek? (Hebrews 7.1-3) What does Melchizedek teach us about the priesthood of Jesus Christ?
3. How is Jesus a better priest than the priests of the Old Testament?
4. In the Old Testament, priests offered sacrifices for the sins of the people. What did Jesus offer?
5. What is “Christless Christianity”? How is Jesus a better Savior than we could ever be?
6. What did God promise us in the New Covenant? (Jeremiah 31.31-34) How did Jesus fulfill these promises?
7. What does our culture promise to us? Why are the promises of Jesus better?

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

Hebrews 9.11-12

But when Christ appeared as a High Priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) <sup>12</sup> He entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of His own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption.

### 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.