

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 16, 2020 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

Prelude

"Allegro" from *Sonata in C major*Dr. Nathan Davy, *organ* 

J. S. Bach

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: The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble!

People: He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

Minister: The LORD is great in Zion;

People: He is exalted over all the peoples.

Minister: let them praise Your great and awesome name!

People: Holy is He!

Minister: The King in His might loves justice.

People: You have established equity; You have executed justice and

righteousness in Jacob.

Minister: Exalt the LORD our God; worship at His footstool!

People: Holy is He! Psalm 99.1-5

\*Hymn of Praise No. 100

"Holy, Holy, Holy!"

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## \*Prayer of Adoration

#### \*Profession of Faith

The Rev. Paul Goebel

Minister: Then who is this Mediator—true God and at the same time a true

and righteous human?

People: Our Lord Jesus Christ, who was given to us to completely

deliver us and make us right with God. We know this from the holy Gospel. God began to reveal the Gospel already in Paradise; later God proclaimed it by the patriarchs and prophets and foreshadowed it by the sacrifices and other ceremonies of the law; and finally God fulfilled it through His own beloved Son.

Heidelberg Catechism, No. 18 and 19

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# The Sacrament of Baptism

9:30

#### **Parental Vows**

- 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?

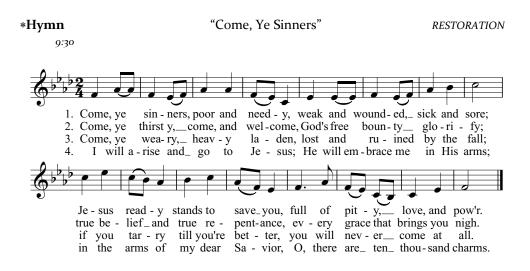
## **Congregational Vow**

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

William Dillard Banowsky Henry Robert Brown Charlotte Louise Cervin

# **Prayer for the Families**

9:30



## **Public Confession of Sin**

Almighty God,

we acknowledge that we are unworthy of Your redeeming grace.

We have not believed Your promises,

nor trusted in our living Lord.

Through worldliness of spirit

we have not discerned Your presence with us.

Through disappointment of mind and dejection of spirit,

our hearts have not burned within us as we have heard His Word.

We have not trusted in His redeeming power,

and have been overcome of evil.

We have forgotten the glad tidings of His victory over death, and have not known the things that belong to our peace.

Mercifully restore unto us the joy of Your salvation,

for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

#### **Private Confession**

# Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His steadfast love toward those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does He remove our transgressions from us.

Psalm 103.10-12

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

## Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Goebel

## **Musical Offering**

8:00 "Dedication" Robert Schumann
Stephen Nielson, piano

9:30/11:00 "Praise the Lord" Handel/arr. Hopson Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, conductor • Dr. Davy, organ

Praise the Lord. Let songs of joy break forth. Sing alleluia, praise His name forevermore.

Shout, sing and dance; come dance and celebrate. Rejoice; let all within us praise His name.

O praise His holy name forevermore!

## \*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: Now in Christ Jesus, we who once were far off have been brought

near by the blood of Christ, for He Himself is our peace. The peace

of the Lord be with you always.

Ephesians 2.13-14

People: And also with you.

## The Service of Friendship and Announcements

# \*The Scripture Reading

Hebrews 9.1-15

Now even the first covenant had regulations for worship and an earthly place of holiness.

- <sup>2</sup> For a tent was prepared, the first section, in which were the lampstand and the table and the bread of the Presence. It is called the Holy Place.
- <sup>3</sup> Behind the second curtain was a second section called the Most Holy Place,
- <sup>4</sup> having the golden altar of incense and the ark of the covenant covered on all sides with gold, in which was a golden urn holding the manna, and Aaron's staff that budded, and the tablets of the covenant.
- <sup>5</sup> Above it were the cherubim of glory overshadowing the mercy seat. Of these things we cannot now speak in detail.
- <sup>6</sup> These preparations having thus been made, the priests go regularly into the first section, performing their ritual duties,
- <sup>7</sup> but into the second only the high priest goes, and he but once a year, and not without taking blood, which he offers for himself and for the unintentional sins of the people.

- <sup>8</sup> By this the Holy Spirit indicates that the way into the holy places is not yet opened as long as the first section is still standing
- <sup>9</sup> (which is symbolic for the present age). According to this arrangement, gifts and sacrifices are offered that cannot perfect the conscience of the worshiper,
- but deal only with food and drink and various washings, regulations for the body imposed until the time of reformation.
- <sup>11</sup> But when Christ appeared as 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)
- 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.
- For if the blood of goats and bulls, and the sprinkling of defiled persons with the ashes of a heifer, sanctify for the purification of the flesh,
- <sup>14</sup> how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.
- <sup>15</sup> Therefore He is the Mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant.

The Sermon

"A More Perfect Tent"

Mr. Williams 8:00 Mr. Davis 9:30/11:00

Worshipers 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

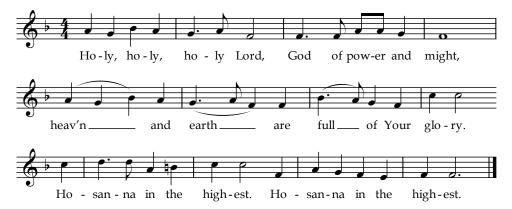
to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty,

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:



#### \*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. 281 "I Know That My Redeemer Lives— Glory, Hallelujah!"

SHOUT ON

#### \*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

8:00	"To God Be the Glory"	TO GOD BE THE GLORY
	Mr. Nielson, piano	arr. S. Nielson

William Walton "Allegro Reale" 9:30/11:00

Dr. Davy, organ

\*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 51st wedding anniversary of Susan and Boots Nowlin from their children.

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 9.1-15
"A More Perfect Tent"



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 16, 2020

#### **Praise**

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

The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake! The LORD is great in Zion; He is exalted over all the peoples. Let them praise Your great and awesome name! Holy is He! The King in His might loves justice. You have established equity; You have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob. Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his footstool! Holy is He!

Psalm 99.1-5

"**Before the Throne of God Above**" (read or sing these words together)

Please see the hymn on page three.

# **Hearing and Learning God's Word**

**Scripture Reading:** Hebrews 9.1-15 (one person read the Scripture aloud)

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

- 1. What are some of the similarities and differences between the first tent (9.2) and the second tent (9.1)?
- 2. What is so significant about the blood?
- 3. What does the phrase "once for all" mean (9.12)?
- 4. What is a mediator? Why is Christ our Mediator and what does this mean?
- 5. What are the benefits that we have as Christians because of Jesus, the more perfect tent?
- 6. How should this reality shape our daily lives?

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

Hebrews 9.11-12

But when Christ appeared as 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.