

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.

PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH February 21, 2021

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

First Sunday of Lent

Lent is a season of preparation and repentance during which we anticipate Good Friday and Easter. The practice of a forty-day preparation period began in the Christian church during the third and fourth centuries. The number forty carries biblical significance based on the forty years Israel spent in the wilderness and Jesus' forty-day fast in the wilderness.

The Prelude

"Preludio: Sine Nomine" Dr. Nathan Davy, organ Herbert Howells

During the Prelude, please join in silent preparation of heart and mind to worship our God.

Welcome and Announcements

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The Rev. Paul Goebel

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Call to Worship

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Minister: Therefore, my friends,

People: since we have confidence to enter the Sanctuary

by the blood of Jesus,

by the new and living way that He opened for us through the curtain (that is, through His flesh), and since we have a Great Priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Hebrews 10.19-22 (NRSV)

*Hymn of Praise "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" EIN' FESTE BURG 1. A might for tress our God, 2. Did in our fide. we strength con our own 3. And though this dev filled. world,with ils should 4. That Word bove earth a ly pow'rs, no wark nev fail ing; help - er er our the right Man striv ing would be los ing; were not threat en to do we will not fear, for un us. thanks them, bid eth; the Spir - it and the a pre mid the flood of mor tal ills vail ing. on our side. the Man of God's own choos ing.

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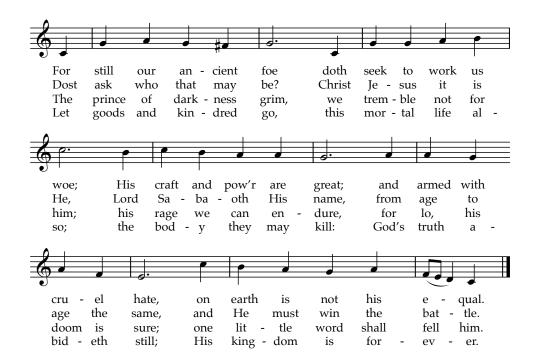
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*Prayer of Adoration

Mr. Goebel

Sacrament of Baptism

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?

9:00 11:00

Katherine Burkett Meek

George Karl Gosselin Pierce Luke Mentesana Henry Alexander Mentesana Genevieve Ann McNeely Steven Eliot Pollard

Prayer for the Families

O Lord Most High,

we confess that we have often tried to please You with our righteousness, instead of pleading the righteousness of Christ.

We have tried to cleanse our sins by becoming better Christians, rather than receiving forgiveness through Your blood.

We have constructed idols for pleasure and for ambition, and have not been joyful in Your presence, nor rested in Your accomplishment.

We have sought our nourishment in vain activities and in setting our own course,

instead of trusting in Your daily provision.

Merciful Father, continue to purge our darkened hearts with the light of Your Gospel.

Help us not to fear the cleansing work of Your Spirit,

but make us eager for it,

delight in it,

and rejoice with unspeakable joy

that we are being conformed to the image of Your dear Son, our Savior Jesus Christ.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. Isaiah 1.18

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

*Hymn of Assurance "Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me" Robinson/ Farren/Thompson



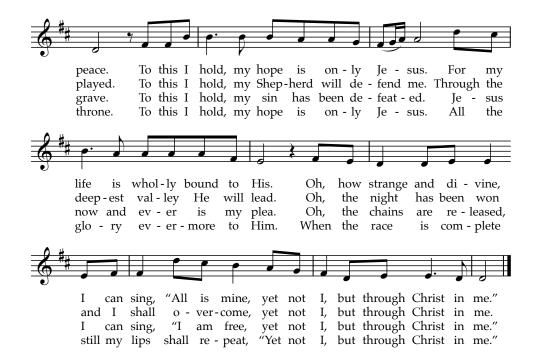
- but I am not for - sak - en, 2. The night is dark, by my dread, 3. No fate Ι the fu - ture
- I know I am for giv en, I long to fol-low Je sus, 4. With ev - 'ry breath, I He has for



now more for heav - en give. He is my joy, my right-eousto the Sav - ior He Ι in weak-ness will stay. la - bor on Je - sus bled and suf - fered the price, it has been paid. For that He will bring me home. And day by day, I know He



and free - dom, my stead-fast love, deep and bound-less ness my disre - joic - ing. For in my need, His is and pow - er and He the for my par - don, was raised to o - ver - throw will re - new me un - til T stand with joy be - fore



Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Eric Horan, *Elder* 9:00 Rob Sayles, *Elder* 11:00

In lieu of giving via passed offering plates, you are welcome to place your offering in one of the wooden giving-boxes as you leave Worship. They are located near the exits. You may also give online at pcpc.org/give.

Musical Offering

"Arise, My Soul, Arise" Alicia Iwema, vocal • Stephen Nielson, piano Wesley/Forrest

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off Thy guilty fears; The bleeding Sacrifice in my behalf appears: Before the throne my Surety stands, My name is written on His hands.

Five bleeding wounds He bears, received on Calvary; They pour effectual prayers, they strongly plead for me. "Forgive him, O forgive," they cry, "Nor let that ransomed sinner die!"

My God is reconciled; His pardoning voice I hear; He owns me for His child, I can no longer fear; With confidence I now draw nigh, And "Father, Abba, Father!" cry.

*The Scripture Reading: Mark 7.1-23

Summer Blackburn

Now when the Pharisees gathered to Him, with some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem,

- ² they saw that some of His disciples ate with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed.
- ³ (For the Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they wash their hands properly, holding to the tradition of the elders,
- 4 and when they come from the marketplace, they do not eat unless they wash. And there are many other traditions that they observe, such as the washing of cups and pots and copper vessels and dining couches.)

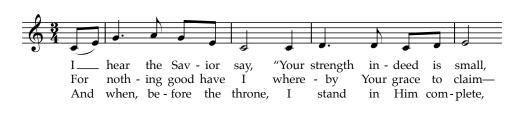
- ⁵ And the Pharisees and the scribes asked Him, "Why do Your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?"
- ⁶ And He said to them, "Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written, "This people honors Me with their lips, but their heart is far from Me;
- ⁷ in vain do they worship Me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.'
- ⁸ You leave the commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men."
- 9 And He said to them, "You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to establish your tradition!
- ¹⁰ For Moses said, 'Honor your father and your mother'; and, 'Whoever reviles father or mother must surely die.'
- ¹¹ But you say, 'If a man tells his father or his mother, "Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban" (that is, given to God)—
- 12 then you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or mother,
- ¹³ thus making void the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do."
- ¹⁴ And He called the people to Him again and said to them, "Hear Me, all of you, and understand:
- ¹⁵ There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him.
- ¹⁶ If anyone has ears to hear, let him hear!"
- ¹⁷ And when He had entered the house and left the people, His disciples asked Him about the parable.
- ¹⁸ And He said to them, "Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him,
- ¹⁹ since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?" (Thus He declared all foods clean.)
- ²⁰ And He said, "What comes out of a person is what defiles him.
- ²¹ For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery,
- ²² coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness.
- ²³ All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

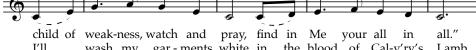
The Sermon "Clean" Mr. Goebel

*Closing Hymn

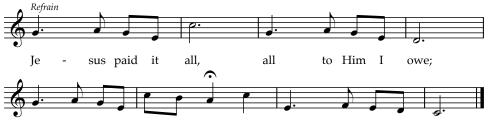
"Iesus Paid It All"

ALL TO CHRIST





child of weak-ness, watch and pray, find in Me your all in all." I'll wash my gar-ments white in the blood of Cal-v'ry's Lamb. "Je-sus died my soul to save," my lips shall still re-peat.



sin had left a crim-son stain, He washed it white as snow.

*The Benediction Mr. Goebel

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 "Carillon" Herbert Murrill
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 baptism of Katherine Burkett "Kaki" Meek by her grandparents, Laurie and George Hodges and Tina and Roger Meek.

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

Mark 7.1-23 "Clean"

<u> Highlights</u>

FEBRUARY 21, 2021

EVERYONE

Welcome

Thank you for your flexibility week to week as we work to ensure the safety of our worshipers. We appreciate you wearing your mask while you are in the building and maintaining a 6-foot safe distance between parties. We are now offering childcare for ages 0-4 each week. Reservations will open Monday at 7:00 a.m. If you develop any symptoms related to COVID-19, we ask that you abstain from joining us in person and worship with us online at *pcpc.org/live*.

Deacon Assistance

If you have any physical needs that our deacons can assist with please email deaconhelp@pcpc.org.

Women's Lenten Prayer

Wednesday, February 24 12:00-1:00 P.M. | SANCTUARY

Rescueduled due to weather conditions. Come worship and pray with us as we prepare our hearts in anticipation of the cross and resurrection of our amazing Savior, Jesus! Led by Elizabeth Robinson.

Visit pcpc.org/events to RSVP.

Communion Sunday

Sunday, February 28

We will celebrate the Lord's Table in both 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. services with additional time in the Sanctuary from 12:30–2:00 p.m. for those worshiping from home.

Adkins & Nielson Concert

Sunday, February 28

6:00-8:00 P.M. | SANCTUARY

Join us for an evening with Dallas Symphony principal cellist, Christopher Adkins, and Steinway Artist and PCPC elder, Stephen Nielson. Concert will be live streamed. No tickets required.

Congregational Meeting

Sunday, March 7

The Session of PCPC has approved a Congregational Meeting for the purpose of electing elders and deacons for the Classes of 2024 and 2025. To allow for a quorum of our congregation to participate in person with the restrictions of social distancing, the meeting will be during both the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services. Contact Sally Rogers at sally.rogers@pcpc.org or 214-224-2500.

Covid Update



Use the QR code to read a full update on all the Lord allowed our COVID-19 Response Team to accomplish this past year.

The Gathering (High School)

Wednesday, February 24 7:00 P.M.

Join us for a night of fellowship and worship at The Reichert's house, 4501 Stanhope. Questions? Contact Danny Stimson at *danny.stimson@pcpc.org*.

Florida Trip

June 5-11

All incoming 9th-12th graders and graduating 12th graders, join us in Panama City Beach, Florida, for an incredible week of fun, sun, worship, and teaching. Registration begins February 24 for members and March 1 for non-members. Contact Darian Reichert at darian.reichert@pcpc.org for more information.

EXTEND CAMPUS PLAN

For updates on EXTEND, please visit extend.pcpc.org/updates

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GENERAL FUND

2020/2021 Operating Budget \$13,500,000

July 1, 2020-Feb. 14, 2021 Budget \$8,972,486

July 1, 2020-Feb. 14, 2021 Giving \$8,815,993

Budget Variance -\$156,493