



*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
September 12, 2021

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S TABLE

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

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00

The Rev. Mark Davis 9:30/11:00

Call to Worship

Minister: Lord, You have been our dwelling place in all generations.

People: Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever You had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting You are God.

Minister: Let Your work be shown to Your servants,

People: and Your glorious power to their children.

Minister: Let the favor of the LORD our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands upon us;

People: Yes, establish the work of our hands!

Psalm 90.1-2, 16-17

*Hymn of Remembrance and Praise

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

ST. ANNE

1. O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,
2. Un - der the shad - ow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
3. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, Or earth re - ceived her frame,
4. A thou - sand a - ges in Thy sight Are like an eve - ning gone;
5. Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, Bears all its sons a - way;
6. O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,

Our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home!
Suf - fi - cient is Thine arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.
From ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, To end - less years the same.
Short as the watch that ends the night Be - fore the ris - ing sun.
They fly, for - got - ten, as a dream Dies at the op - 'ning day.
Be Thou our guard while life shall last, And our e - ter - nal home.

*Prayer of Adoration

Mr. Williams 8:00

Mr. Davis 9:30/11:00

*Reflecting on the 20th anniversary of 9/11 and the violence, storms,
and disease currently ravaging our world, we earnestly seek our God.*

Litany of Grief

The Rev. Bill Lamberth

Minister: Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am languishing;
heal me, O LORD, for my bones are troubled.

People: **My soul also is greatly troubled.
I am weary with my moaning;
every night I flood my bed with tears;
I drench my couch with my weeping.**

Minister: My eye wastes away because of grief;
it grows weak because of all my foes.
Depart from me, all you workers of evil,
for the LORD has heard the sound of my weeping.

People: **The LORD has heard my plea;
the LORD accepts my prayer.**

Psalm 6.2, 3a, 6-9

Musical Meditation

“Chorale”

Ola Gjeilo

Litany of Lament

Minister: O LORD, how long shall the wicked,
how long shall the wicked exult?

People: **They pour out their arrogant words;
all the evildoers boast.**

Minister: They crush Your people, O LORD,
and afflict Your heritage.
They kill the widow and the sojourner,
and murder the fatherless;
and they say, “The LORD does not see;
the God of Jacob does not perceive.”

People: **Who rises up for me against the wicked?
Who stands up for me against evildoers?**

Psalm 94.3-7, 16

Musical Meditation

“Prelude in E minor”

Frédéric Chopin

Litany of the Cross

Minister: O Lord, we bring our sorrows, our pain to the cross. Fix now our
hope upon You.

People: **Comfort us, O Lord, in the wake of that which overtakes us.
Shield us, O Lord, from the hurts we cannot bear.
Shelter us, O Lord, in the fortress of Your love.**

Silent Reflection

Musical Meditation

8:00

“Molto cantabile”
Stephen Nielson, *piano*

S. Rachmaninoff

9:30/11:00

“Lord, Have Mercy”
Chancel Choir • Steve Williamson, *soloist*

Scott/Digesare

*God in mercy sent His Son to a world by sin undone; Jesus Christ was crucified, 'twas for sinners that He died. Let us pray, Lord have mercy, for we have placed all our hopes in Thee. For our sin, we repent, O Lord; we believe Your holy Word. Have mercy, Lord, we pray, and take all our sins away.
Kyrie Christe. Lord have mercy.*

*Songs of Hope

from “O Come, O Come Emmanuel”

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.

from “My Jesus, I Love Thee”

I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me
And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree;
I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

from “How Deep the Father's Love for Us”

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss - the Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.

from “It Is Well with My Soul”

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control:
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And has shed His own blood for my soul.

It is well with my soul;
It is well, it is well with my soul.

Minister: O Lord, remind us of the hope we have in You, and the reality of mercy and grace You have already given.

People: **Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?
Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution,
or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword?
For I am sure that neither death nor life,
nor angels nor rulers,
nor things present nor things to come,
nor powers,
nor height nor depth,
nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of God
in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Romans 8:35, 38-39

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 or text "give" to 214-997-9973.

***The Scripture Reading: Daniel 1.1-7**

Mr. Williams 8:00

Mr. Davis 9:30/11:00

In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came to Jerusalem and besieged it.

² And the Lord gave Jehoiakim king of Judah into his hand, with some of the vessels of the house of God. And he brought them to the land of Shinar, to the house of his god, and placed the vessels in the treasury of his god.

³ Then the king commanded Ashpenaz, his chief eunuch, to bring some of the people of Israel, both of the royal family and of the nobility,

⁴ youths without blemish, of good appearance and skillful in all wisdom, endowed with knowledge, understanding learning, and competent to stand in the king's palace, and to teach them the literature and language of the Chaldeans.

⁵ The king assigned them a daily portion of the food that the king ate, and of the wine that he drank. They were to be educated for three years, and at the end of that time they were to stand before the king.

⁶ Among these were Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah of the tribe of Judah.

⁷ And the chief of the eunuchs gave them names: Daniel he called Belteshazzar, Hananiah he called Shadrach, Mishael he called Meshach, and Azariah he called Abednego.

The Sermon

“And the Lord Gave”

Mr. Williams 8:00

Mr. Davis 9:30/11:00

Public Confession of Sin

**O most mighty God, and merciful Father,
who has compassion upon all people,
and who wills not the death of a sinner,
but rather that he should turn from his sin,
and be saved;
mercifully forgive us our trespasses;
receive and comfort us.**

**Your disposition is always to have mercy;
it is Your character to forgive sins.**

**Spare us therefore, good Lord,
spare Your people, whom You have redeemed;
enter not into judgment with Your servants;
but so turn Your anger from us,
who meekly acknowledge our transgressions,
and truly repent of our faults,
and so make haste to help us in this world,
that we may ever live with You in the world to come;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

For the LORD will not forsake His people; He will not abandon His heritage; for justice will return to the righteous, and all the upright in heart will follow it.

Psalm 94.14-15

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

*The Great Thanksgiving

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:

spoken at 8:00

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna in the Highest.**

all singing at 9:30/11:00

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly_ Lord, God of_

pow'r_ and might, ___ heav'n and earth are full of Your

glo - ry. Ho - san - na in ___ the_ high - est.

James MacMillan

The Lord's Table

***Closing Hymn**

“Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me”

Robinson, Farren,
Thompson



1. What gift of grace is Je - sus my re - deem - er, there is no
2. The night is dark, but I am not for - sak - en, for by my
3. No fate I dread, I know I am for - giv - en, the fu - ture
4. With ev - 'ry breath, I long to fol - low Je - sus, for He has



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



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



peace. To this I hold, my hope is on - ly Je - sus. For my
played. To this I hold, my Shep - herd will de - fend me. Through the
grave. To this I hold, my sin has been de - feat - ed. Je - sus
throne. To this I hold, my hope is on - ly Je - sus. All the



life is whol - ly bound to His. Oh, how strange and di - vine,
deep - est val - ley He will lead. Oh, the night has been won
now and ev - er is my plea. Oh, the chains are re - leased,
glo - ry ev - er - more to Him. When the race is com - plete



I can sing, “All is mine, yet not I, but through Christ in me.”
and I shall o - ver - come, yet not I, but through Christ in me.
I can sing, “I am free, yet not I, but through Christ in me.”
still my lips shall re - peat, “Yet not I, but through Christ in me.”

***The Benediction**

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

Minister: Now may the Father who chose you, the Son that bought you,
the Spirit who dwells in you, go before you in your darkness,
stand beside you in your fears, hold you up in your sorrows,
until Jesus comes.

—Dale Ralph Davis

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

Postlude

9:30/11:00

Fugue in E flat, "St. Anne"
Dr. Nathan Davy, organ

J. S. Bach

**Please stand if you are able.*

The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God.

*It is the LORD who goes before you. He will be with you;
He will not leave you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed.
Deuteronomy 31.8*

*Members of PCPC who have joined the Church Triumphant
since our last Communion service:*

*Dan Relyea
Ruth Sowell Millis
Glenn A. Garrett
James Rutherford Lawrence
Dan Woolery
Crozier Gowan, Jr.*

We thank the musicians who are leading in the worship services this morning.

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

Ministers: The members of this church family who, in serving their Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ, extend His Kingdom in Dallas and to the world.

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SERMON NOTES

Daniel 1.1-7
“And the Lord Gave”

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

The following questions help us dialog with the sermon, music, and liturgy in this morning's worship service. Together, these elements provide space for reflection and prayer during personal devotions, group studies, and family worship.

1. What does it mean that God is sovereign?
2. How does Daniel 1.2 reveal the sovereignty of God?
3. What questions do you have about God's sovereignty?
4. How does God's sovereignty comfort us?
5. What does king Nebuchadnezzar take with him to Babylon?
Why is this significant?
6. How can we relate to Daniel's situation?
7. What has God given that we might be redeemed?
8. What has God given that we might stand firm in Him?

Highlights

SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

EVERYONE

EXTEND CHRIST

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Thanks for joining us today! We would love to help you get plugged in at PCPC. Please scan the QR code and fill out our Connections Card, so we can help you take your next step. We have wonderful community and ministry opportunities for everyone.

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New Member Class

Sundays, Today-October 31

9:30-10:40 A.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Is the Lord calling you to be a member of PCPC? Our New Member Class gives you the opportunity to explore that question as we discuss our church's beliefs, vision, and mission. Register online.

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All-Church Prayer

Today

4:00-6:00 P.M. | SANCTUARY

We long to be a church that prays with and for each other. Whether you have a prayer of praise, request, emotional, relational, or spiritual need, come to be prayed with by one of our elders or pastors.

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2021 Fall Guide

Pick up a 2021 Fall Guide in the Grand Hall Information Center or on the new PCPC app and see what kicks off this week. Join us as we Connect to Christ & One Another, Abide in Christ, and Extend Christ this fall.

- Midweek Dinner
- Sunday Morning Communities
- Men's Tuesday Morning Bible Study
- Women's Weekly Bible Studies
- Dad Talk
- Focus Couple's Bible Study
- Union Pre-marriage Class
- re|engage Marriage Enrichment Class
- Essential Paths: The Words of Life
- DivorceCare
- Middle & High School Small Groups
- Musikgarten Classes

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We have volunteer opportunities available in PCPC Kids, Ushers, and our Frontline Ministries. Find out more on our app or at pcpc.org/volunteer/.

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Middle School Fall Retreat

September 24-26

Global Worker Commissioning Lunch

September 26

Dr. Nathan Davy Organ Concert

September 26

Second Grade Bibles

October 3

Pumpkin Gospel

October 15

The Bridge: What's Her Story?

October 19

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