

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 October 17, 2021

Order for the Worship of God

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

Welcome and Announcements

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

Prelude

8:00	"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"	ODE TO JOY					
	Stephen Nielson, piano	arr. S Nielson					
9:30/11:00	"Allegro" from Sonata in G major, HWV 384	G. F. Handel					
Elisabeth Adkins, violin • Elise Belk, oboe • Dr. Nathan Davy, harpsichord							

*Call to Worship

Minister: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;	
People: the world and those who dwell in it!	
Minister: Let the rivers clap their hands;	
People: let the hills sing for joy together before the LORD,	
for He comes to judge the earth.	
Minister: He will judge the world with righteousness,	
People: and the peoples with equity.	Psalm 98.7-9

*Hymn of Praise

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

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Hymn No. 302 in the Trinity Hymnal Please join in singing using the bulletin or the red Trinity Hymnal in the pew racks.

• Come, Chris-tians, join to sing Come, lift your hearts on high Praise yet our Christ a-gain	h, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
loud praise to Christ our King; let prai - ses fill the sky; life shall not end the strain;	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
let all with heart and voice, He is our Guide and Friend; on heav-en's bliss - ful shore,	
praise is His gra-cious choice. His love shall nev - er end. sing - ing for - ev - er - more,	Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men! "Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!"

***Profession of Faith**

The Rev. Dr. Pete Deison 8:00/9:30 The Rev. Bill Lamberth 11:00

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though He was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Philippians 2.5-11

Sacrament of Baptism

9:30/11:00

Parental Vows

- 1. 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?

9:30

Gracie Mason Gray Eve Siena Leaverton Charlotte Robinson Nelms Eliza Joy Obenchain 11:00

Aaron Howard Campbell Harris Edward Denton Virginia Rivers McWay Emma Joy Owens

Prayer for the Families

9:30/11:00

*Hymn

9:30/11:00

"Jesus Loves Me, This I Know"

JESUS LOVES ME

Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so; Little ones to Him belong, they are weak but He is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Public Confession of Sin

Dr. Deison 8:00/9:30 Mr. Lamberth 11:00

All power and glory belong to You, O Christ, forever and ever!
Thank You for sending the Spirit to live in us, and to work in us that which is pleasing in Your sight.
Increase in us the conviction that we are free from the slavery of sin!
We are helpless to help ourselves, but too proud to come and lay every sin on You.
Forgive us, O Lord; have mercy.
Make us like the woman who anointed Jesus' feet, who saw beyond her sin to Your glory and grace.
High King of heaven, You have won our victory!
Give us thankful hearts, that we may truly worship You and give You praise.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. Ephesians 2.13

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

***Hymn of Response** "Be Thou My Vision"

Hymn No. 642 in the Trinity Hymnal

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Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Dr. Deison 8:00/9:30 Mr. Lamberth 11:00

In addition to giving via passed offering plates, you are also welcome to give online at pcpc.org/give or text "give" to 214-997-9973.

Musical Offering

8:00

"How Great Thou Art" Mr. Nielson, *piano* O STORE GUD arr. S. Nielson "It Is Well with My Soul" J. Marty Cope, *conductor* • Nathan Davy, *piano* Elisabeth Adkins, *violin* • Elise Belk, *oboe*

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll; whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, "It is well, 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.

And Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend; "Even so"– it is well with my soul.

*The Scripture Reading: Daniel 4.1-5, 13-17, 28-37

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

King Nebuchadnezzar to all peoples, nations, and languages, that dwell in all the earth: Peace be multiplied to you!

- ² It has seemed good to me to show the signs and wonders that the Most High God has done for me.
- ³ How great are His signs, how mighty His wonders! His Kingdom is an everlasting Kingdom, and His dominion endures from generation to generation.
- ⁴ *I*, *Nebuchadnezzar*, was at ease in my house and prospering in my palace.
- ⁵ I saw a dream that made me afraid. As I lay in bed the fancies and the visions of my head alarmed me.
- ¹³ "I saw in the visions of my head as I lay in bed, and behold, a watcher, a holy one, came down from heaven.
- ¹⁴ He proclaimed aloud and said thus: 'Chop down the tree and lop off its branches, strip off its leaves and scatter its fruit. Let the beasts flee from under it and the birds from its branches.
- ¹⁵ But leave the stump of its roots in the earth, bound with a band of iron and bronze, amid the tender grass of the field. Let him be wet with the dew of heaven. Let his portion be with the beasts in the grass of the earth.
- ¹⁶ Let his mind be changed from a man's, and let a beast's mind be given to him; and let seven periods of time pass over him.
- ¹⁷ The sentence is by the decree of the watchers, the decision by the word of the holy ones, to the end that the living may know that the Most High rules the kingdom of men and gives it to whom He will and sets over it the lowliest of men.'
- ²⁸ All this came upon King Nebuchadnezzar.
- ²⁹ At the end of twelve months he was walking on the roof of the royal palace of Babylon,

- ³⁰ and the king answered and said, "Is not this great Babylon, which I have built by my mighty power as a royal residence and for the glory of my majesty?"
- ³⁹ While the words were still in the king's mouth, there fell a voice from heaven,
 "O King Nebuchadnezzar, to you it is spoken: The kingdom has departed from you,
- ³² and you shall be driven from among men, and your dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field. And you shall be made to eat grass like an ox, and seven periods of time shall pass over you, until you know that the Most High rules the kingdom of men and gives it to whom He will."
- ³³ Immediately the word was fulfilled against Nebuchadnezzar. He was driven from among men and ate grass like an ox, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven till his hair grew as long as eagles' feathers, and his nails were like birds' claws.
- ³⁴ At the end of the days I, Nebuchadnezzar, lifted my eyes to heaven, and my reason returned to me, and I blessed the Most High, and praised and honored Him who lives forever, for His dominion is an everlasting dominion, and His Kingdom endures from generation to generation;
- ³⁵ all the inhabitants of the earth are accounted as nothing, and He does according to His will among the host of heaven and among the inhabitants of the earth; and none can stay His hand or say to Him, "What have You done?"
- ³⁶ At the same time my reason returned to me, and for the glory of my kingdom, my majesty and splendor returned to me. My counselors and my lords sought me, and I was established in my kingdom, and still more greatness was added to me.
- ³⁷ Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and extol and honor the King of heaven, for all His works are right and His ways are just; and those who walk in pride He is able to humble.

The Sermon

"The Power of Humility"

Mr. Williams 8:00 Mr. Goebel 9:30/11:00 *Closing Hymn "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" Hymn No. 53, verses 1-3, 5 in the Trinity Hymnal

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***The Benediction**

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

Minister: Now may Yahweh, the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth, who never faints or grows weary, may this God increase and renew your strength so that you can go on walking faithfully, whether in the light or in darkness. Dale Ralph Davis
 People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Postlude 9:30/11:00 "Toccata Brevis" Mr. Cope, organ Daniel Gawthrop

*Please stand if you are able.

The flowers in this morning's service are given to the glory of God.

Daniel answered and said: "Blessed be the name of God forever and ever, to whom belong wisdom and might." Daniel 2.20

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

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Sermon Notes

Daniel 4.1-5, 13-17, 28-37 "The Power of Humility"

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. Do you wish you had more power? What do you wish you had the power to do? Why?
- 2. King Nebuchadnezzar was the world's most powerful person during his reign, yet what does the book of Daniel teach us about human power and the power of God? (Read Daniel 4.17,25,32)
- 3. What comfort did the reminder of God's sovereign power give the people of God during their exile? What comfort does God's sovereign power give us during our own exile in an increasingly hostile world?
- 4. What does power have to do with pride? Where do you see pride in your own life? What makes pride so dangerous to our souls?
- 5. How did God humble Nebuchadnezzar? How is God humbling you? Why is humility a sign of God's grace?
- 6. How did Jesus humble Himself? How has the humility of Jesus given us power over sin and death? (Read Philippians 2.5-11)

Highlights

EVERYONE

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The Bridge: What's Her Story?

Tuesday, October 19, 6:30 p.m. Join PCPC Women as we gather for The Bridge. Ann Higginbottom will be our speaker. pcpc.org/events

Grandparenting Simulcast

October 21-22

Are you a Christian grandparent? You can have an incredible impact on the spiritual direction and destiny of your grandchildren with the right tools and encouragement. Let us help!

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Missionary Mailings

Sunday, October 24, 12:30 p.m. Write handwritten notes of love and encouragement to our missionaries. pcpc.org/events

Provide & Protect II

A Financial Framework for a Flourishing Family Sunday, November 7, 12:30 p.m.

Be our guest as the PCPC Foundation provides a light lunch and guest speaker David Wills, President Emeritus, National Christian Foundation. Please RSVP to elizabeth.chandler@pcpc.org.

All-Church Prayer

Sunday, November 7, 4:00 p.m.

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. pcpc.org/events

Faith & Culture

Approaching Sexuality with Truth & Charity Tuesday, November 9, 7:00 p.m.

We will explore a variety of topics

relating to human sexuality, including the recent report by our denomination on this very issue. Join us as we work towards applying our faith in the context of the challenging world we live in. pcpc.org/events

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\$463,250

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