



ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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

First Sunday of Christmas

*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.*

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00
The Rev. Dr. Pete Deison 9:30/11:00

Prelude

8:00

"I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day"
Stephen Nielson, *piano*

WALTHAM
arr. Nielson

9:30/11:00

"Carol of the Bells/
Angels We Have Heard on High"
Stephen Nielson, *piano* • J. Marty Cope, *organ*

arr. Nielson & Young

*Call to Worship

Minister: And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.

People: For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.

Minister: And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger."

People: And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom He is pleased!"

Luke 2.10-14

Melody 1. An - gels, from the realms of glo - ry, wing your flight o'er
 Harmony 2. Shep - herds in the fields a - bid - ing, watch - ing o'er your
 Melody 3. Sa - ges, leave your con - tem - pla - tions, bright - er vi - sions
 Harmony 4. Saints be - fore the al - tar bend - ing, watch - ing long in
 Melody 5. All cre - a - tion, join in prais - ing God the Fa - ther,

all the earth; ye who sang cre - a - tion's sto - ry,
 flocks by night, God with man is now re - sid - ing,
 beam a - far; seek the great De - sire of na - tions;
 hope and fear, sud - den - ly the Lord, de - scend - ing,
 Spir - it, Son; ev - er - more your voic - es rais - ing

now pro - claim Mes - si - ah's birth:
 yon - der shines the in - fant Light:
 ye have seen His na - tal star: Come and wor - ship,
 in His tem - ple shall ap - pear:
 to th'e - ter - nal Three in One:

come and wor - ship, wor - ship Christ, the new - born King.

*Prayer of Adoration

In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God.
He was in the beginning with God.
All things were made through Him,
and without Him was not any thing made that was made.
In Him was life,
and the life was the light of men.
The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness has not overcome it.
The true light,
which gives light to everyone,
was coming into the world.
And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us,
and we have seen His glory,
glory as of the only Son from the Father,
full of grace and truth.

John 1.1-5, 9, 14

*Carol

“Thou Who Wast Rich beyond All Splendor”

QUELLE EST CETTE

9:30/11:00



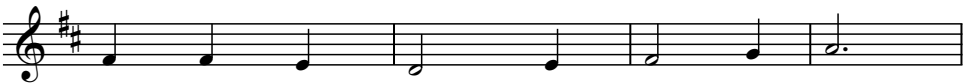
1. Thou who wast rich be - yond all splen - dor,
2. Thou who art God be - yond all prais - ing,
3. Thou who art love be - yond all tell - ing,



all for love's sake be - cam - est poor;
all for love's sake be - cam - est man;
Sav - ior and King, we wor - ship Thee.



thrones for a man - ger didst sur - ren - der,
stoop - ing so low, but sin - ners rais - ing,
Em - man - u - el, with - in us dwell - ing,



sap - phire - paved courts for sta - ble floor.
heav'n - ward by Thine e - ter - nal plan.
make us what Thou wouldst have us be.



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Our God and Father,
when we behold Your Son Jesus,
we see Your great love for us,
for You sent Your one and only Son into the world
to die for sinners like us,
so that whoever believes in Him would have eternal life.
Since You have given Your Son,
we can say with the apostle Paul,
“How will You not also with Christ graciously give us all things?”
Yet, our Father,
our appetite for things of secondary or even of no importance
fills our lives with longings that You never intended us to have.
Our love and devotion to our possessions and our pleasures
reveal again our true need for Jesus.
Lord, in this Christmas season would You please give us Christ:
fill our hearts with desire to know Him,
to love Him, to serve and follow Him;
fill our mouths with words to honor Him and proclaim Him;
give us His presence to guide us in wisdom,
to give peace to our troubled souls,
to guard and protect our ways;
grant us His grace and favor to forgive our sins,
and to bring us to glory. Amen.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved!

Ephesians 2.4-5

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

***Carol**

"Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

GO TELL IT

Refrain



Go, tell it on the moun-tain, o-ver the hills and ev-'ry - where;



go, tell it on the moun - tain that Je - sus Christ is born.



1. While shep - herds kept their watch - ing o'er
2. The shep - herds feared and trem - bled when,
3. Down in a low - ly man - ger our



si - lent flocks by night, be - hold, through - out the
lo! a - bove the earth rang out the an - gel
hum - ble Christ was born, and God sent us sal -



heav - ens there shone a ho - ly light. ____
cho - rus that hailed our Sav - ior's birth. ____
va - tion that bless - ed Christ - mas morn. ____

(to Refrain)

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Overton

*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

"See, Amid the Winter's Snow" *SEE AMID THE WINTER'S SNOW*
Stephen Nielson, *piano* arr. Nielson

9:30/11:00

"How Suddenly a Baby Cries" *Traditional Irish/Getty*
Jennifer Barnes, *soprano*

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the Word of Life—

2 the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us—

3 that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ.

4 And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

5.10 Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. Whoever does not believe God has made Him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning His Son.

11 And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in His Son.

12 Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

13 I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life.

14 And this is the confidence that we have toward Him, that if we ask anything according to His will He hears us.

15 And if we know that He hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of Him.

The Sermon

“The Wisdom of Christmas”

Mr. Williams 8:00

Dr. Deison 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!

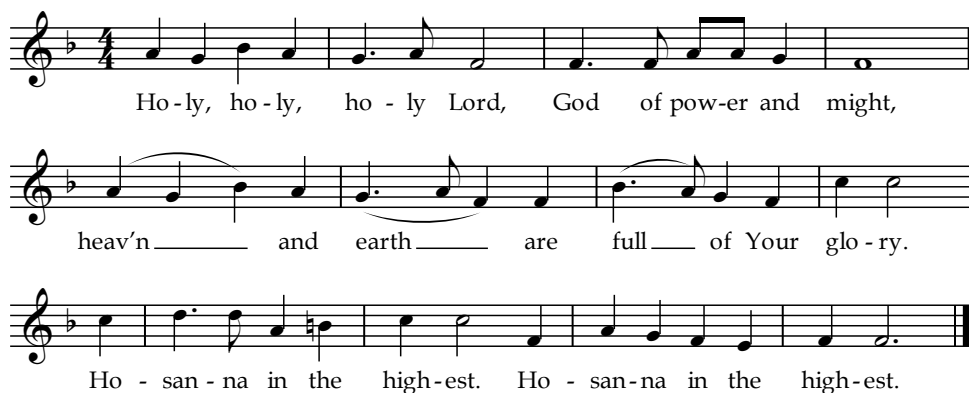
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heav'n _____ and earth _____ are full _____ of Your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

***The Words of Institution 8:00**

Communion 8:00

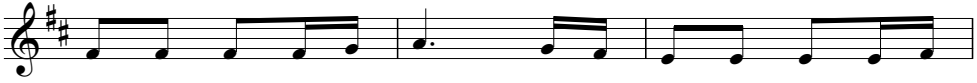
Please come forward down the center aisle, row by row. After receiving the elements packet from the elder, please return to your seat via the side aisle with the packet. After everyone has been served, you will be instructed by the pastor and all will partake together.



1. Joy to the world! The Lord is come: let earth re -
2. Joy to the earth! The Sa - vior reigns: let men their
3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in -
4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the



ceive her King; let ev - ery heart pre - pare Him room, and
songs em - ploy; while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains re -
fest the ground; He comes to make His bless - ings flow far
na - tions prove the glo - ries of His righ - teous - ness and



heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture
peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing
as the curse is found, far as the curse is
won - ders of His love, and won - ders of His



sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
found, far as, far as the curse is found.
love, and won - ders, won - ders of His love.

*The Benediction

Minister: Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has
risen upon you. Isaiah 60.1

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Postlude

8:00

“Gentle Mary Laid Her Child”
Mr. Nielson, piano

TEMPUS ADEST FLORIDUM
arr. Nielson

9:30/11:00

“Drummer Boy/Pat-a-Pan”
Mr. Cope, organ

arr. Diane Bish

*Please stand if you are able.

**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

1 John 1.1-4; 5.10-15

“The Wisdom of Christmas”

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. How do we know Jesus was human?
2. What does John want us to know about Jesus?
3. What two reasons does John give for writing to us?
4. How do John's words to us make his joy complete?
5. How can we know we have eternal life?
6. How can we have confidence our prayers will be answered?

Highlights

DECEMBER 26, 2021

Connections Card

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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Hymn Sing

Today

11:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. | THE CHAPEL

If your Sunday Morning Community isn't meeting today or if you just want to exercise your vocal cords, join us for a joyous all church Hymn Sing in the Chapel. All are welcome; no experience required!

Deep Light Podcast

We are excited to launch season 2 of Deep Light on January 12 as a podcast. Deep Light is a space and place for community, healing, hope and education around topics of rescue and growth. We will interview experts and members of our PCPC community who walk in each area. Our prayer for this series is that you walk away with a deeper understanding of struggles that surround us and God's profound love and redemptive light He covers us with. Search for "Deep Light Podcast" on your favorite platform.

WinterGrace: The Grace of God's Word

January 30-31

WinterGrace is a short series of worship services that renew our hearts in a key theme of God's grace. This year, our theme will be, "The Grace of God's Word," and our guest preacher will be Dr. Bryan Chapell, former President of Covenant Theological Seminary and current Stated Clerk of the PCA. Please register for dinner and childcare.

pcpc.org/wintergrace

2022 Spring Guide

We invite you to join us as we Connect, Abide, & Extend Christ in 2022. Register for our spring New Member Class that begins January 16 or our men's, women's, couples Bible studies and classes that begin January 17-20. Pickup a 2022 Spring Guide today in the Narthex, Grand Hall, or scan the QR code to download your copy today!



Year-End Giving

In order to comply with IRS regulations, Friday, Dec. 31, is the deadline for donations to be receipted for 2021. Other than offerings given in worship or online, you may mail checks postmarked by Friday, Dec. 31.

The offices will be closed from Dec. 24 through Jan. 2, but donations can be hand-delivered to the security guard at the south entrance from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays when the church offices are closed for the holidays.

For stock donation instructions, contact Cheli Conejo. Please note that mutual fund donations can take up to one month to process. Thank you for your generosity in supporting all that God is doing at PCPC.

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GENERAL FUND

2021/2022 Operating Budget	\$14,200,000
July 1, 2021–Dec 12, 2021 Budget	\$6,069,527
July 1, 2021–Dec 12, 2021 Giving	\$5,540,798
Budget Variance	-\$528,729