

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 March 6, 2022

Order for the Worship of God

8:00, 9:30, 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.

As a period of preparation, Lent has historically included the instruction of persons for baptism and profession of faith; the calling back of those who have become estranged from the church; and efforts by all Christians to deepen their piety, devotion, and readiness to mark the death and resurrection of their Savior.

Welcome and Announcements

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

Prelude

8:00	Prelude Improvisation on Psalm 84: "My soul longs, yea, faints for the courts of the Mary Preston, <i>organ</i>	George Oldroyd LORD!"
9:30/11:00	"Vocalise" Lucas Aleman, <i>violin</i> • J. Marty Cope, <i>pian</i>	Sergei Rachmaninoff 10

*Call to Worship

Minister:	Oh, magnify the LORD with me,			
People:	and let us exalt His name together!			
Minister:	I sought the LORD, and He answered me			
People:	and delivered me from all my fears.			
Minister:	Those who look to Him are radiant,			
People:	and their faces shall never be ashamed.			
Minister:	This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him			
	and saved him out of all his troubles.			
People:	The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear Him,			
	and delivers them.	Psalm 34.3-7		

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***Prayer of Adoration**

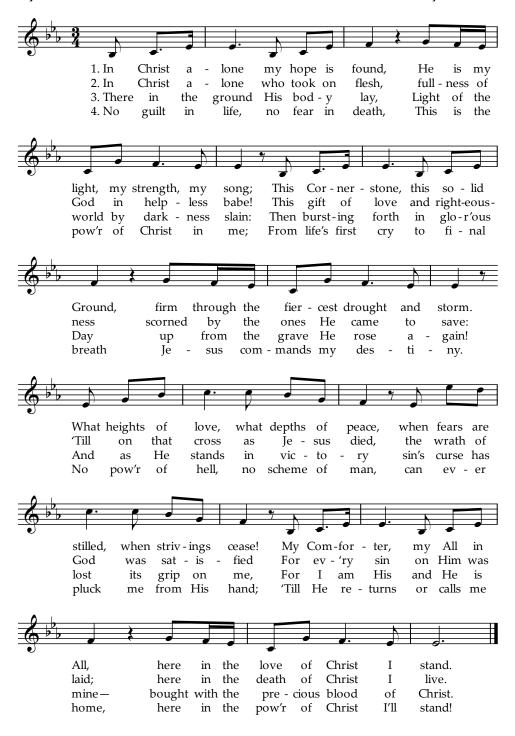
Mr. Williams 8:00 Mr. Goebel 9:30/11:00

***Profession of Faith**

The Rev. Dr. Pete Deison 8:00/9:30 The Rev. Matt Fray 11:00

In His human nature, united to the divine nature, the Lord Jesus was set apart and anointed with the Holy Spirit beyond measure, having in Him all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. In Him the Father was pleased to have all fullness dwell, so that—being holy, blameless, and undefiled, full of grace and truth— He might be completely equipped to fulfill the office of a mediator and guarantor. He did not take this office to Himself but was called to it by His Father, who put all power and judgment into His hand and commanded Him to execute it. Westminster Confession VIII, sec. 3 "In Christ Alone"

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Public Confession of Sin

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

Almighty God, You despise nothing You have made, and You forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and contrite hearts, that, truly repenting of our sins and acknowledging our brokenness, we may obtain from You, the God of all mercy, full pardon and forgiveness, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Silent Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. Ezekiel 36.26

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

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Dr. Deison 8:00/9:30 Mr. Fray 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	Variations on "Jesus, Priceless Treasure"	F.W. Zachau
	Mrs. Preston, organ	
9:30/11:00	"Ah, Holy Jesus"	arr. Gary Matheny
	Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, conductor	
	Lucas Aleman, violin • Nathan Davy, organ	

Ah, holy Jesus, how hast Thou offended, that man to judge Thee hath in hate pretended? By foes derided, by Thine own rejected, O most afflicted.
For me, kind Jesus, was Thine incarnation, Thy mortal sorrow, and Thy life's oblation; Thy death of anguish and Thy bitter passion, for my salvation.
Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon Thee? Alas my treason, Jesus, hath undone Thee! 'Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied Thee: I crucified Thee!
Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay Thee, I do adore Thee, and will ever pray Thee, think on Thy pity and Thy love unswerving, not my deserving.

Extending the Kingdom

Rick, First Home Church Missionary

9:30/11:00

Luke 21.1-4

- Jesus looked up and saw the rich putting their gifts into the offering box,
- ² and He saw a poor widow put in two small copper coins.
- ³ And He said, "Truly, I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all of them.
- ⁴ For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty put in all she had to live on."
- 2 Corinthians 9.6-11
 - The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.
 - ⁷ Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.
 - ⁸ And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work.
 - ⁹ As it is written, "He has distributed freely, He has given to the poor; His righteousness endures forever."
 - ¹⁰ He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness.
 - ¹¹ You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.

Hebrews 12.1-2

- Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,
- ² looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

The Sermon

"For the Joy Set Before Us"

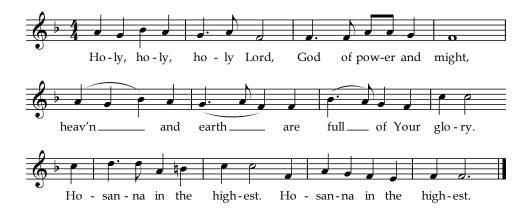
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Worshipers at 9:30/11:00, please continue at the closing hymn.

*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:



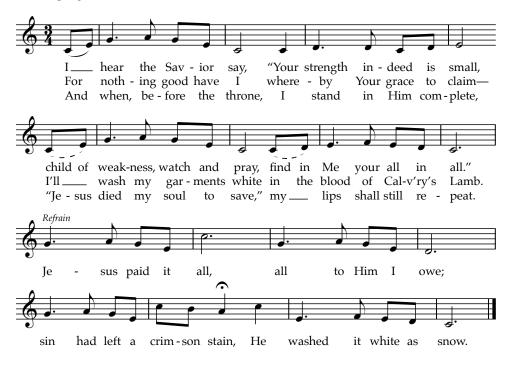
*The Words of Institution 8:00

Communion 8:00

Please come forward down the center aisle, 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. *Closing Hymn

"Jesus Paid It All"

ALL TO CHRIST



***The Benediction**

Minister: Now may the Shepherd who laid down His life for the sheep restore your soul, lead you in right paths, walk beside you in the dark valley, and bring you safely home to the home of the Lord forever more.

Dale Ralph Davis

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Postlude

8:00	"Prelude and Fugue in C" Mrs. Preston, organ	Georg Böhm
9:30/11:00	"Prelude in A minor," BWV 543 Dr. 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.

The flowers in the narthex this morning are given by Malcolm Robertson and his sister, Amy Richards, to the glory of God and in loving memory of their mother, Jane Holder.

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.

Senior Pastor The Rev. Mark Davis

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The Rev. Ron Williams The Rev. Bill Lamberth The Rev. Tommy Overton The Rev. Robby Higginbottom The Rev. Matt Fray

Executive Director Jeff Barber

Sermon Notes

Luke 21.1-4; 2 Corinthians 9.6-11; Hebrews 12.1-2 "For the Joy Set Before Us"

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 is the prosperity gospel and why is it so dangerous? Where do you see aspects of the prosperity gospel in our culture? Where do you see aspects of the prosperity gospel in your own heart?
- 2. What does the story of the poor widow teach us about Biblical generosity? (see Luke 21.1-4) How does this compare to our common understanding of generosity?
- 3. According to the Apostle Paul how much should we give of our resources? (see 2 Corinthians 9.7) How might this change the way that you approach giving?
- 4. What does your generosity have to do with where you find joy? Are there any misplaced joys in your life? Where is true joy ultimately found? (see Hebrews 12.1-2)
- How has God made His grace abound to us? How does God's grace enable us to do every good work? What happens where we reverse the order? (see 2 Corinthians 2.8)
- 6. How is God calling you to steward His abounding grace?

<u>Highlights</u>

MARCH 6, 2022

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. *connect@pcpc.org*



Friday Lenten Organ Concerts

March 11, 18, 25 – April 1 & 8 12-NOON | SANCTUARY

We inaugurate a new series this year, with 30-minute organ recitals at noon on Fridays during Lent, featuring our own organists and other superb musicians from Dallas and beyond. Take the opportunity to retreat from the busyness of the day to refresh your mind and soul with music in preparation for Holy Week and Easter.

pcpcconcerts.org

Missionary Mailings

March 6

Write handwritten notes of love and encouragement to our missionaries. There will be tables set up in the Courtyard where you can sit and eat lunch. *emily.leonard@pcpc.org*

Prayer for Spring Break Trips

Join us in praying for two PCPC groups who are headed out over spring break. Our High School Youth will take a Road Trip to New Braunfels for a time of fun, fellowship, worship, and teaching (March 16-19). And we have a second group of families headed to McAllen to support the work of homechurch missionaries, Jon and Libby White, who serve at the Rio Grande Bible College (March 15-20).

Ordinary Saints Concert

March 27

PCPC welcomes the Ordinary Saints project--a temporary art exhibit of portraits in the Grand Hall Gallery from March to July. This residency culminates in a concert featuring the creators: painter Bruce Herman, poet Malcolm Guite, and composer J.A.C. Redford. Come and explore the extraordinary image of God found in the faces of the ordinary saints around us. *pcpcconcerts.org*

Family Ministries Birds & Bees Event

March 30 | 6:00 p.m. | Sanctuary Parents, join us for Birds & Bees which equips and empowers parents to have age-appropriate conversations with their young children about sex. pcpc.org/events

Faith Driven Entrepreneur

Begins March 31 12-NOON | ADULT CLASSROOM 1

If you are an entrepreneur, God has a purpose and a plan for all those entrepreneurial dreams and creative gifts he gave you. You don't have to journey alone! Join a Faith Driven Entrepreneur group. *pcpc.org/events*

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GENERAL FUND

 2021/2022 Operating Budget
 \$14,200,000

 Jul 1, 2021-Feb 27, 2022 Budget
 \$9,896,180

 Jul 1, 2021-Feb 27, 2022 Giving
 \$11,008,452

 Budget Variance
 \$1,112,272