

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
May 29, 2022

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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

The Ascension of the Lord

The Ascension of the Lord marks the end of the Easter season. We believe that Jesus Christ ascended bodily into heaven, where He took His seat at God's right hand as Ruler of the earth (Psalm 110.1, Ephesians 1.17-23) in order to prepare a place for us (John 14.1), and in order to send us the gift of His Spirit (John 14.15-20, Ephesians 4.4-10).

Welcome and Announcements

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

The Prelude

8:00

"For Your Gift of God the Spirit" Stephen Nielson, *piano*

BLAENWERN

9:30/11:00

"Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals" Dr. Nathan Davy, organ • Brass Ensemble

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

*Call to Worship

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

Minister: Clap your hands, all peoples!

Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

People: For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared,

a great King over all the earth.

Minister: God has gone up with a shout,

the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

People: Sing praises to God, sing praises!

Sing praises to our King, sing praises! Psalm 47.1-2, 5-6

*Hymn of Praise "A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing" * LASST UNS ERFREUEN Hymn No. 289 in the Trinity Hymnal

Stanzas: 1-2





*Ascension Liturgy

Mr. Williams 8:00 The Rev. Robby Higginbottom 9:30/11:00

Jesus said to His disciples,

"Behold, I am sending the promise of My Father upon you. You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

And when He had said these things, as they were looking on, He was lifted up, and a cloud took Him out of their sight. And while they were gazing into heaven as He went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, and said,

"Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw Him go into heaven."

Luke 24.49, Acts 1.8-11

*Hymn

"A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing" * LASST UNS ERFREUEN
Stanzas: 3-4

*Prayer of Adoration

^{* &}quot;A Hymn Of Glory Let Us Sing" was written by The Venerable Bede, an English monk who was born around 673 AD. He was in his time a renowned scholar and teacher, and his work on the history of the church in England is influential to this day. The Venerable Bede died on Ascension Day in 735 AD.

Hymn No. 630 in the Trinity Hymnal



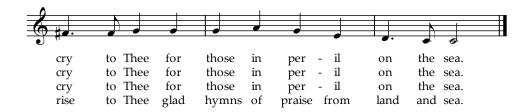
- 1. E ter nal Fa ther, strong to save, whose arm doth bind the 2. O Sav ior, whose al might y word the winds and waves sub-
- 3. O sa cred Spir it, who didst brood up on the cha os
- 4. O Trin i ty of love and pow'r, our breth ren shield in



rest - less wave, who bidd'st the might - y its o cean mis - sive heard, who walk edst the foam - ing on deep dark and rude, who badd'st its an - gry tu - mult cease, and dan - ger's hour; from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -



ap - point - ed us when lim - its O hear own keep: we a - mid rage didst sleep: O hear us when its we gav - est light and life and peace: O hear us when we tect them where - so e'er they let there go; and ev er



Public Confession of Sin

Mr. Higginbottom

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Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD!
O Lord, hear my voice!
Let Your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleas for mercy!
If You, O LORD, should mark iniquities,
O Lord, who could stand?
But with You there is forgiveness,
that You may be feared.
I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,
and in His word I hope;
my soul waits for the Lord
more than watchmen for the morning,
more than watchmen for the morning.

Psalm 130.1-6

Private 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. For He Himself is our peace.

Ephesians 2.13-14a

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

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



Mr. Higginbottom

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 "Be Still, My Soul" FINLANDIA
Mr. Nielson, piano arr. S. Nielson

9:30/II:00 "King of Glory, King of Peace" George Herbert
Chancel Choir • Dr. Davy, conductor

Mary Preston, organ • Brass Ensemble

King of glory, King of peace, I will love Thee; and that love may never cease, I will move Thee. Thou has granted my request, Thou hast heard me; Thou didst note my working breast, Thou hast spared me.

Wherefore with my utmost art, I will sing Thee; and the cream of all my heart, I will bring Thee. Though my sins against me cried, Thou didst clear me; and alone, when they replied, Thou didst hear me.

Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise Thee; in my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise Thee. Small it is in this poor sort to enroll Thee; e'en eternity's too short to extol Thee.

*The Scripture Reading: Matthew 5.1-12

Seeing the crowds, He went up on the mountain, and when He sat down, His disciples came to Him.

- ² And He opened His mouth and taught them, saying:
- ³ "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.
- ⁴ "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.
- ⁵ "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.
- ⁶ "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.
- ⁷ "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.
- ⁸ "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.
- ⁹ "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.
- ¹⁰ "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.
- ¹¹ "Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on My account.
- ¹² Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

The Sermon "Blessed are the Peacemakers" Mr. Williams 8:00 Mr. Goebel 9:30/11:00

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

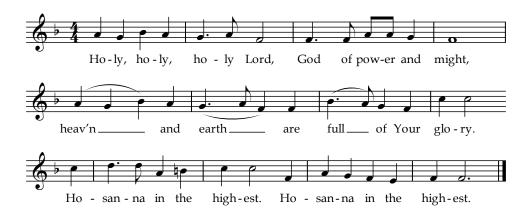
to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty,

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 down the center aisle to the front of the chapel two rows at a time to receive the elements, and partake of each element upon receiving it.

Return to your seat by way of the side aisles with your empty cup.

 $(The\ bread\ being\ served\ is\ gluten\ free.)$



*The Benediction

Minister: Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them

be afraid. John 14.27

People: Thanks be to God! Amen!

Postlude

8:00

"Rise Up, O Saints of God" Mr. Nielson, *piano*

FESTAL SONG

9:30/11:00

"Allegro" from *Concerto in C major*, BWV 594 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 and in gratitude for those who serve and have served our great country.

This Memorial Day, we remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice to secure our freedom. Freedom is never free; it has been bought with a price.

We thank the following musicians for their leadership in worship this morning:

Cody McClarty, trumpet Peter Stammer, trumpet Jeremiah Umholtz, trombone

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

Matthew 5.1-12 "Blessed are the Peacemakers"

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 typically define the word "peace"? How does this compare to the Biblical definition of peace?
2.	What does it mean to be a "peacemaker"? How has God equipped us to make peace in our chaotic and divisive age?
3.	What does true peace have to do with the Kingdom of God?
4.	How has God made peace between us and Him? How has God made peace between us and our enemies?
5.	How does our identity as children of God transcend all other identities?
6.	Why is Jesus called the "Prince of Peace"? In what way is He the true and greater peacemaker?
7.	What does it look like to bring the peace of Christ to a lost and broken world?

<u>Highlights</u>

What's Next?

We have friendly faces waiting to help you connect to Christ and one another at PCPC just as you exit the front of the Sanctuary. Look for the Connect banner on your way to the Grand Hall. We would also love to help you abide in and extend Christ. You can find out more at the Information Center in the Grand Hall. Download the free PCPC mobile app to explore more.

Connections Card

Thanks for joining us today! Whether you are a guest or a long-time member, please scan the QR code and fill out our Connections Card, so we

connections Card, so we can know you were here and help you connect with PCPC.

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Essential Path: Proclaiming the King

The third course in our new Essential Paths series of discipleship courses will begin in June. This 4-week course will have 3 available options for you to participate

- Sunday Morning Community at 11:00 a.m. | Oak Lawn West
- Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Study at 7:00 a.m. | Classroom 8
- Wednesday Midweek at 7:00 p.m. Classroom 8

Register on the PCPC app or at *pcpc.org/essential-paths/*.

Women's Summer Events

Did you know there are several opportunities for you to stay connected with PCPC Women this summer? Sign up today for Weights & Worship, Summer Prayer Partners, & Same Page Summer – Bible Reading Challenge. Don't let these opportunities pass you by.

pcpc.org/women

Summer Deep Light Podcast

Our summer podcast will focus on "rest" with a series of interviews hosted by Mark Davis. Deep Light is available on your favorite podcast platform.

pcpc.org/deeplight

Fall Silent Retreats

A silent retreat is an extended time in which to be alone with the Lord to listen and be transformed by His Word and Spirit. Our Men's (Sept. 28 – Oct. 2) and Women's (Nov. 9-13) fall Silent Retreats to Ute Trail Colorado are open for registration.

pcpc.org/silent-retreats

English as a Second Language Volunteer?

Each week God brings adults from all over the world to PCPC to learn English and to be connected to an American teacher. Would you commit to one of our four opportunities each week? Monday or Wednesday 9:30-11:00 A.M., or Tuesday or Thursday 7:00-8:30 P.M. No experience required, just a willing heart.

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2021/2022 Operating Budget \$14,200,000
Jul 1, 2021-May 22, 2022 Budget \$13,037,756
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Budget Variance \$1,618,521