

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 July 24, 2022

#### 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

"Variations on Amazing Grace" Dr. Nathan Davy, organ Denis Bedard

#### \*Call to Worship

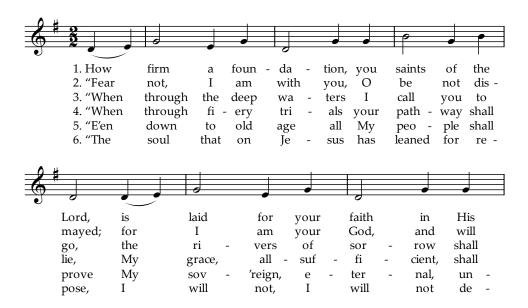
Minister:	Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belon	g to our God.			
People:	Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns.				
Minister:	Let us rejoice and exult and give Him the glory,				
People:	for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His Bride has				
	made herself ready;				
Minister:	Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man.				
People:	He will dwell with them, and they will be His people, and God				
	Himself will be with them as their God.	Revelation 19.1, 6-7, 21.3			

#### **\*Hymn of Praise**

"How Firm a Foundation"

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Hymn No. 94 in the Trinity Hymnal



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**\*Prayer of Adoration** 

#### **\*Profession of Faith**

The Rev. Robby Higginbottom

The eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and everything in them, who still upholds and rules them by His eternal counsel and providence, is my God and Father because of Christ the Son. I trust God so much that I do not doubt He will provide whatever I need for body and soul, and will turn to my good whatever adversity He sends upon me in this sad world. God is able to do this because He is almighty God and desires to do this because He is a faithful Father. from the Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 26 Hymn No. 457 in the Trinity Hymnal



#### **Public Confession of Sin**

Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your steadfast love; according to Your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against You, You only, have I sinned and done what is evil in Your sight, Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Your presence, and take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.

Psalm 51.1-4, 10-12

#### Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness. Lamentations 3.22-23

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

**\*Hymn of Assurance** 

"He Will Hold Me Fast"

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast; Those He saves are His de - light, Christ will hold me fast; my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast; For When the tempt-er would pre - vail, He will hold me fast. Pre - cious in His ho - ly sight, He will hold me fast. Just - ice has been sat - is - fied; He will hold me fast. I could nev-er keep my hold through life's fear-ful path; not let my soul be lost; His prom - is - es shall last; He'll Raised with Him to end-less life, He will hold me fast 0 my love is oft - en cold; He must hold me for fast. bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast. 'Till our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last!. Refrain o He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;



#### Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Higginbottom

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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

"Jerusalem, My Happy Home" Dr. Davy, organ Traditional American arr. George Shearing

9:30/11:00 "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" HOUSTON Jenni Rasberry, solo • Stephen Nielson, piano Kathleen Thomerson

#### \*The Scripture Reading: Matthew 5.31-32

- "It was also said, 'Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.'
- <sup>32</sup> But I say to you that everyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of sexual immorality, makes her commit adultery, and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

The Sermon

"The Faithful Bridegroom"

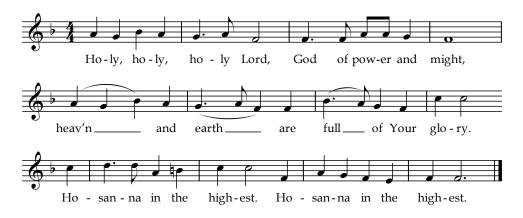
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Worshipers at 9:30/11:00, please continue at the closing hymn.

#### \*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.		
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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 remain seated. You will be served by your elders, and we will all partake together when so instructed by the pastor. (The bread being served is gluten free.) \*Closing Hymn

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

ness" FAITHFULNESS text: Thomas Chisholm, stanzas 1, 4

John Piper, stanzas 2-3



#### **\*The Benediction**

Minister: Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the
Lamb. The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." And let the one who
hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one
who desires take the water of life without price.
The Lord Jesus says, "Surely I am coming soon." from Revelation 22
People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!
Minister: The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you all.
Thanks be to God! Amen!
People: Thanks be to God! Amen!

\*Please stand if you are able.

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

# 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

#### Session/Associate Pastors

Doug Chesnut The Rev. Mark Davis, *Moderator* The Rev. Dr. Pete Deison Jack Denman Jerry Gibson The Rev. Paul Goebel Eric Horan Ed Jarrett Jim Madden Kyle Manley Mike McMahon Ben Moffitt Jim Morris Kirk Pogoloff Dave Reichert Whit Roberts Peter Tippen, Jr. John Ward Randy Wood

#### **Assistant Pastors**

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**

Matthew 5.31-32 "The Faithful Bridegroom"

#### **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. Why is marriage one of the great themes of the Bible? Where do you see this theme throughout the Biblical story of redemption?
- 2. What is a contract? What does it take for a contract to be broken? What happens to marriage when it becomes a contract?
- 3. What is a covenant? What makes it different than a contract? Why did God create marriage to be a covenant and not a contract?
- 4. What does the covenant of marriage teach us about God's covenant with us?
- 5. Why is adultery so damaging to a covenant relationship? How have we committed adultery in our relationship with God?
- 6. Why does the Bible describe Jesus as the Bridegroom? What hope does the faithfulness of Jesus give a faithless people like us?

# <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 can know you were here and help you connect with PCPC.



connect@pcpc.org

## City Missions Project Workdays

July 30 & August 6

On July 30, join Act in supporting the South Oak Cliff community & Dallas Code Compliance by assisting with a back-toschool drive, alleyway clean-ups, and a trash pick-up. Looking for a service project to kick-off the school year? On August 6, join us in serving West Dallas Community School. Volunteers of all ages are needed to clean, garden, help with teacher projects, and other tasks. Register on the PCPC app. *pcpc.org/events* 

## Harvest USA Training for Small Group Leaders

#### August 5 & 6

Harvest USA actively works to develop resources that will equip church leaders and laypeople to understand a biblical view of sexuality and to minister to men, women, and families who are affected by sexual struggles. Please join us as Harvest provides training for Small Group leaders in our church. Registration ends today. *pcpc.org/events* 

# **Care & Counseling Groups**

The mission of Care and Counseling is to provide deeply meaningful support to all who are hurting, broken, and/or grieving by being the hands and feet of Jesus to them and by pointing them to the great healer and comforter Himself. We have groups for men and women. Find out more at *pcpc.org/care/*.

# **Helping Hands**

August 20

8:00 A.M. | OAK LAWN WEST

Be the hands and feet of Jesus and join the deacons and other volunteers to help single moms, widows/ers, senior adults, and those with chronic illness by doing odd jobs (light repairs, maintenance, and minor jobs) around their homes. Register on the PCPC app.

#### pcpc.org/events

# 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 (WAITLIST - Nov. 9-13) Fall Silent Retreats to Ute Trail Colorado are open for registration. *pcpc.org/silent-retreats* 

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# **GENERAL FUND**

2022/2023 Operating Budget Jul 1, 2022–July 17, 2022 Budget Jul 1, 2022–July 17, 2022 Giving Budget Variance

\$15,300,000 \$481,622 \$578,583 \$96,961