



*Winter Grace*  
THE GRACE OF PRAYER

PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
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## WELCOME TO WINTERGRACE

There is a subtle weariness that hangs over many in the middle of Winter. The energy of the holidays and new beginnings have passed, and the signs of spring have not quite come. In such seasons, we need sweet and powerful reminders of God's grace. For many years, Park Cities Presbyterian Church has responded to this need with an event we call ***WinterGrace***.

WinterGrace is a special series of worship services that aims to renew our hearts in a classic theme of God's grace. This year, our theme is "The Grace of Prayer," and we are thrilled to welcome our special guests Fernando Ortega, Chad Scruggs, and Douglas McKelvey.

Whether you are a member of PCPC or a guest, we are grateful that God has brought you to be with us this weekend! We pray that God will use this weekend in your life to give you deep renewal, rest, and redemptive hope in Him in the specific ways He alone knows you need in this season of your life. And above all, it is our prayer that God would show us all "*the immeasurable riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Jesus Christ* (Ephesians 2:7)."

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**EVENSONG:  
STORIES, SUPPLICATIONS, AND SONGS**

**Saturday  
February 4, 2023  
6:00 p.m.**

The practice of closing the day in prayer is one that has a long history among Christians. Tonight, we gather to do that together in Evensong. Using the Bible's story of redemptive history as the framework for our prayers, we will praise our Creator, lament our Fall, rejoice in the Redemption accomplished by Jesus Christ, and long for the Consummation to come. May we close this day grateful for what God has done, hopeful for what He has promised, and eager to return tomorrow on the Lord's Day to worship Him together.

**Welcome**

The Rev. Mark Davis

**PREPARATION**

**Musical Preparation**

"Lord of Eternity"  
Fernando Ortega, *vocalist/pianist*  
Cara Fox, *cellist*

**Supplication**

from "A Liturgy of the Hours: Nightfall"  
Douglas McKelvey

**Leader:** Here at day's end we seek you,  
O King of Earth and Heaven.

**People:** **You have been our sustenance  
across the sunlit hours.**

**Leader:** Be now our counselor, comforter, and  
protector in dark of night.

**People:** **Amen.**

**Leader:** We now give thanks to God for  
the blessings of the day that has passed.

**People:** **We praise You, O Father,  
for the provision  
of food, and shelter, and fellowship,  
and for all other evidences of grace  
that have been ours. May our hearts  
always receive such gifts from Your hand,  
with true humility and thankfulness. Amen.**

**ACT I: CREATION**

**Story of Scripture: Psalm 8.1-9**

The Rev. Chad Scruggs

<sup>1</sup> O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth! You have set  
Your glory above the heavens.

<sup>2</sup> Out of the mouth of babies and infants, You have established strength because  
of Your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger.

<sup>3</sup> When I look at Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars,  
which You have set in place,

<sup>4</sup> what is man that You are mindful of him, and the son of man that You care  
for him?

<sup>5</sup> Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned  
him with glory and honor.

<sup>6</sup> You have given him dominion over the works of Your hands; You have put all  
things under his feet,

<sup>7</sup> all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field,

<sup>8</sup> the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the  
paths of the seas.

<sup>9</sup> O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth!

**Congregation in Song**      “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,  
the King of Creation”

*LOBE DEN HERREN*

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear; now to His temple draw near;  
join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen how all thy longings have been  
granted in what He ordaineth?

**Supplication**

from “A Liturgy of Praise to the King of Creation”

Leader: Our thoughts of You, O Lord, have been too small, too few,  
for seldom have we considered how specific is the exercising of Your  
authority,  
extending as it does into the myriad particulars of creation.

**People: There is no quarter over which You are not King.**

Leader: You are the God of Justice,  
The God of Wisdom,  
The God of Mercy,  
The God of Redemption.

**People: You are the Lord of Love.**

Leader: All of this is true. But our thoughts of You are still too few,  
for our minds are too small to conceive of them all,  
let alone to contain them.

**People: You were before all things, You created all things,  
and in You all things are held together.  
There is no corner of creation You will fail to redeem.**

Leader: You are Lord of lords, and King of kings.

**People: O Jesus Christ, our King of Everything.  
Amen.**

**Congregation**      “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,  
the King of Creation”

*LOBE DEN HERREN*

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee!  
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,  
if with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!  
Let the amen sound from His people again:  
gladly for aye we adore Him!

**ACT II: THE FALL**

**Story of Scripture: Genesis 3.8-13, 17-19**

<sup>8</sup> And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool  
of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of  
the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

<sup>9</sup> But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, “Where are you?”

<sup>10</sup> And he said, “I heard the sound of You in the garden, and I was afraid,  
because I was naked, and I hid myself.”

- <sup>11</sup> He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?”
- <sup>12</sup> The man said, “The woman who You gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate.”
- <sup>13</sup> Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”
- <sup>17</sup> And to Adam He said, “Because you have listened to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, ‘You shall not eat of it,’ cursed is the ground because of you; in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life;
- <sup>18</sup> thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field.
- <sup>19</sup> By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return.”

## Silent Confession

Song

“Ah Holy Jesus”

Supplication

from “A Liturgy of Lament for a Loss”

Leader: How much must we suffer, before we know the redemption of this suffering?

**People: How long must we drink from this well of sorrow?  
How long till our tears are tended by Your own hands?**

Leader: How long, O Lord, until You have finished Your final work, crushing all evidence of the darkness that overshadows us in these blighted lands?

How long till Your glorious, quickening light reaches every corner of creation,

and all things are at last released from their bondage?

How long until the nightmare and the ache

and the fear and the horror of death are no more?

**People: How long, O Lord, until the very fabric of this sagging creation is mended**

**and Your redemption drives forever from these shores  
all tides of suffering and decay?**

Leader: How long until the working of Your grace renews these blighted hopes, and makes of our grieving families, and wounded cities, and our broken lands

an unbroken festival of joy, an eternal restoration and reunion?

**People: How long till Your sovereign will is finally fulfilled  
as perfectly and completely on this earth, as it is in heaven?**

Leader: Let it be this year, this day, this hour, O Christ!

**People: We have suffered in this night so long.  
Call forth Your light. Bring on the dawn!**

Song

“Come, Oh Redeemer, Come”

### ACT III: REDEMPTION

#### Story of Scripture: 1 Corinthians 15.19-26

- <sup>19</sup> If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.  
<sup>20</sup> But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.  
<sup>21</sup> For as by a man came death, by a Man has come also the resurrection of the dead.  
<sup>22</sup> For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.  
<sup>23</sup> But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at His coming those who belong to Christ.  
<sup>24</sup> Then comes the end, when He delivers the Kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power.  
<sup>25</sup> For He must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet.  
<sup>26</sup> The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

#### Song

“Jesus Paid It All”

#### Supplication

from “A Liturgy of Praise for Christ Who Conquered Death”

Leader: Sing through me, O Spirit of God, call forth songs of praise.  
Let my lips, my tongue, my life proclaim the glories of  
the Living One who died and conquered death;  
the Risen One who leads me into life.  
You have made all things well, O Christ!

**People: You have made all things well!**

Leader: What once was lost, you have reclaimed.  
What had been harmed, you will remake.  
What was unwell, you now restore.

**People: You make all things well!**

Leader: The powers of darkness sought to swallow you, in death's black waters, O Christ,  
but going under that flood, you drank death down like a river.  
You drank death's reservoir dry.

**People: All praise to you, O Christ!**

Leader: You swallowed death for us, and by that act of willing sacrifice,  
you pushed death back upon itself,  
like the last lapping wave at the turning of the tide;  
that high water mark now fading,  
as death's dominion ebbs out for all time,  
its power to terrorize God's people forever  
destroyed by God's own passage through it.

**People: Through death, O Lord, you gave us life!**

Leader: You have made all things well, Eternal King!

**People: You have made all things well, Christ!**

Leader: Death's dark shroud has been rent ragged  
and pierced through by the first dawning of your resurrection light.  
And after your return, after the final splintering of that dark night,  
death will possess no lasting fame;  
the works of death will win no glory for its name.  
Hear this promise, O children of God, hear and know:  
Death will surely die forever, his shoddy works undone,  
his usurped crown torn from his palsied grasp,  
his impotence unmasked,  
his power to harm shattered for all eternity  
like shards of thinnest glass.

**People: Receive the glory due your name, Lord Christ!**

Leader: The grip of death already slips.

It cannot slow the steady progress of the resurrection, now advancing, one day to be made visible in the full outworking of its infinite glad implications.

**People: The door that led to death has been remade by Christ  
Into a door that opens into everlasting life.**

Leader: You have made all things well.

**All: You have made all things well, O Christ!  
Amen!**

**Song**

“Children of the Living God”

#### ACT IV: CONSUMMATION

#### Story of Scripture: Revelation 21.1-5

<sup>1</sup>Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.

<sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

<sup>3</sup>And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be His people, and God Himself will be with them as their God.

<sup>4</sup>He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”

<sup>5</sup>And He who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” Also He said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.”

**Reflection**

Mr. Scruggs

**Supplication**

from “Meditations for Anchoring the Heart in Eternal Hopes”

Leader: So let these hard goodbyes, these fleeting fears, these old regrets, and all other such rivulets of sorrow, flow out into that ocean of eternal joys where their bitter waters will be blessed and changed into something sweet. Let me remember that even my griefs, in your wise hands, become as dressed stones, set and crafted into a glorious architecture. Let me remember that though I depart this world in tears, I will return to it one day with fierce, unalloyed celebration, my cries of unselfconscious praise now harmonized with a creation delighting in the liberation of all things from their long bondage.

Indeed, you, my King, have promised that I, In the full vigor of eternal youth, will dwell with you in your beautiful city.

I will feast at your table.  
I will enjoy the glad fellowship  
of all the redeemed  
who were once lost to death,  
there restored again in joy –  
a merry company making festive  
in these remade lands.

This is the truest story I have ever  
heard or told. This is the truest story I  
would preach constantly now to my own heart,  
lest I forget where all of history  
was always heading.

**Congregation in Song** “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

NETTLETON

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;  
Praise His name—I’m fixed upon it—name of God’s redeeming love.

Hitherto Thy love has blest me; Thou hast drawn me to this place;  
And I know Thy hand will lead me safely home by Thy good grace.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand’ring from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger, bought me with His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I’m constrained to be!  
Let Thy grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand’ring heart to Thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;  
Here’s my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above!

Interlude (*solo*)

Here’s my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

**BENEDICTION**

**Supplication**

from “A Liturgy of the Hours: Nightfall”

Leader: Retire now, you children of God,  
contemplating his words and resting in the peace of the surety  
of the love he has extended to you in Christ.  
Know this night the comfort of his Spirit,  
who ever abides in and among us,  
drawing us always toward our ultimate redemption at the renewing  
of body and soul and of all creation.

**People: Praise be to God, for his mysteries yet to be revealed.**

Leader: Indeed, an hour is coming when we shall find ourselves  
freed at last from the very presence of sin,  
and liberated to live eternally in that glorious freedom and knowledge  
and beauty and perfection which was ever our intended birthright.

**People: Even now, O Lord, in the dark of this night,  
let our lives be lit by rumors of these coming glories.  
Amen.**

**Song**

“Jesus, King of Angels”

*You are invited to join us for a Dessert Reception in the Grand Hall  
and to return to worship with us on the Lord’s Day tomorrow.*



# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday Morning Worship  
8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

## Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00  
The Rev. Mark Davis 9:30/11:00

## \*Call to Worship

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

Minister: Splendor and majesty are before Him;

**People: strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.**

Minister: Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples,

**People: ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!**

Minister: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name;

**People: bring an offering, and come into His courts!**

Minister: Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness;

**People: tremble before Him, all the earth!**

Psalm 96.6-9

## \*Hymn

“Christ Triumphant, Ever Reigning”

GUITING POWER



1. Christ tri - um - phant, ev - er reign - ing,  
2. Word in - car - nate, truth re - veal - ing,  
3. Suf - f'ring ser - vant, scorned ill - treat - ed,  
4. Priest - ly king, en - throned for - ev - er  
5. So, our hearts and voic - es rais - ing



Sa - vior, Mas - ter, King! Lord of heaven, our  
Son of man on earth: Power and maj - es -  
vic - tim cru - ci - fied! Death is through the  
high in heaven a - bove! Sin and death and  
through the a - ges long, cease - less - ly u -



lives sus - tain - ing, hear us as we sing.  
ty con - ceal - ing by Your hum - ble birth.  
cross de - feat - ed, sin - ners jus - ti - fied.  
hell shall nev - er sti - fle hymns of love.  
pon You gaz - ing, this shall be our song.



Yours the glo - ry and the crown, the



high re - nown, the e - ter - nal name.

**\*Prayer of Adoration**

**\*Hymn**

“All Creatures of Our God and King”

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing  
alleluia, alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou silver moon with softer gleam,  
O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in heav'n along,  
O praise Him, alleluia!

Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice, ye lights of evening, find a voice,  
O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**\*Liturgy of Praise**

from “A Liturgy of Praise to the King of Creation”

Minister: Christ alone is worthy of the name  
above all names.

**People: Every knee will bow  
and every tongue proclaim  
the righteousness of his coronation.**

Minister: And we, whose lives are hid with Christ,  
in God, will rise to live, eternal, every one.  
You have made all things well, O Christ!

**People: You have made all things well!**

***all singing:***

And all ye men of tender heart, forgiving others, take your part,  
O sing ye, alleluia!

Ye who long pain and sorrow bear, praise God and on Him cast your care,  
O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Minister: The victory is yours, O King!

**People: Now claim what you own!**

Minister: Every inch of earth, all the span of heaven,  
fields and skies and stars and seas,

**People: All continents and forests,  
all nebulae and galaxies,**

Minister: All creatures and peoples,  
all principalities and governments,

**People: All of time and history,  
all wonders and mysteries,**

Minister: All loves, all hearts, all lives—

**People: All this is yours!**

Minister: The crown, the throne, the prize!

**People: The name above all names!**

Minister: The kingdom and the joy!

**People: The glory and the praise!**

Minister: The victory over death!

The conquering of the grave!

**People: O King of kings, we offer our  
eternal adoration!**

***all singing:***

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship Him in humbleness,  
O praise Him, alleluia!

Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One,  
O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia,  
O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*Please be seated.*

**Preparation for Confession**

“Trisagion”

Ortega

9:30/11:00

Ho - ly God; Ho - ly and Might - y;  
Ho - ly, Im - mor - tal One Have mer - cy, have mer - cy on us

**Public Confession of Sin**

The Rev. Dr. Pete Deison 8:00

Mr. Davis 9:30/11:00

I am not yet weaned from all created glory,  
honor, wisdom, and esteem of others,  
for I have a secret motive to eye my name in all I do.  
Let me not only speak the word sin,  
but see the thing itself.  
Help me to continually discover my sinfulness,  
to know that though my sins are crucified  
they are never wholly mortified.  
Hatred, malice, ill-will, vain-glory  
that hungers for and hunts after man's approval and applause,  
all are crucified, forgiven,  
but they rise again in my sinful heart.  
The memory of my great sins,  
my many temptations,  
my falls,  
bring afresh into my mind the remembrance of Your great help,  
of Your support from Heaven,  
of the great grace that saved such a wretch as I am.  
There is no treasure so wonderful  
as that continuous experience of Your grace toward me  
which alone can subdue the risings of sin within:  
give me more of it.

**Silent Confession**

**Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel**

Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; our God is merciful. Psalm 116.5  
He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to  
the Kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the  
forgiveness of sins. Colossians 1.13-14

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

**Musical Meditation**

“Sing to Jesus”

Ortega

9:30/11:00

Fernando Ortega, *vocalist/pianist*

Instrumental Ensemble

**Pastoral Prayer**

Dr. Deison 8:00

Mr. Davis 9:30/11:00

*In addition to giving via passed offering plates, you are also welcome  
to give online at [pccp.org/give](http://pccp.org/give) or text “give” to 214-997-9973.*

## Musical Offering

8:00

“Consolation No. 4”  
“Our God is full of compassion.” Psalm 116:5  
Stephen Nielson, piano

Franz Liszt

9:30/11:00

“Is He Worthy?” Andrew Peterson/Ben Shive  
Chancel Choir • Mr. Ortega, soloist  
Instrumental Ensemble • Dr. Nathan Davy, organ • J. Marty Cope, conductor

*Do you feel the world is broken? (We do.)  
Do you feel the shadows deepen?  
But do you know that all the dark won't stop the light from getting through?  
Do you wish that you could see it all made new?*

*Is all creation groaning? (It is.)  
Is a new creation coming?  
Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst?  
Is it good that we remind ourselves of this?*

*Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole? Is anyone able to break the seal  
and open the scroll?  
The Lion of Judah, who conquered the grave, He is David's Root  
and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave.  
Is He worthy? Is He worthy of all blessing and honor and glory?  
Is He worthy of this? He is.*

*Does the Father truly love us? (He does.)  
Does the Spirit move among us?  
And does Jesus, our Messiah hold forever those He loves?  
Does our God intend to dwell again with us?*

*From every people and tribe, Every nation and tongue,  
He has made us a kingdom and priests to God to reign with the Son.  
Is He worthy? Is He worthy of all blessing and honor and glory?  
Is He worthy? Is He worthy of this? He is!*

### \*The Scripture Reading: Hebrews 4.14-5.10; John 1.16-18; John 13.23

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

#### Hebrews 4.14-5.10

<sup>14</sup> Since then we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens,  
Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.

<sup>15</sup> For we do not have a High Priest who is unable to sympathize with our  
weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are,  
yet without sin.

<sup>16</sup> Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may  
receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

<sup>5:1</sup> For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of  
men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins.

<sup>2</sup> He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset  
with weakness.

<sup>3</sup> Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does  
for those of the people.

<sup>4</sup> And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as  
Aaron was.

<sup>5</sup> So also Christ did not exalt Himself to be made a High Priest, but was appointed by Him who said to Him,

“You are my Son, today I have begotten You”;

<sup>6</sup> as He says also in another place, “You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek.”

<sup>7</sup> In the days of His flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to Him who was able to save Him from death, and He was heard because of His reverence.

<sup>8</sup> Although He was a Son, He learned obedience through what He suffered.

<sup>9</sup> And being made perfect, He became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey Him,

<sup>10</sup> being designated by God a High Priest after the order of Melchizedek.

John 1.16-18

*For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.*

<sup>17</sup> *For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.*

<sup>18</sup> *No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father's side, He has made Him known.*

John 13.23

*One of His disciples, whom Jesus loved, was reclining at table at Jesus' side.*

**The Sermon**

“The Grace to Draw Near”

Mr. Williams 8:00

The Rev. Chad Scruggs 9:30/11:00

*Worshippers 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:**



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 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**

**"I Will Sing of My Redeemer"**

*arr. Ortega*



I \_\_\_ will sing of my Re - deem - er and His  
I \_\_\_ will tell the won - drous sto - ry, how my  
I \_\_\_ will praise my dear Re - deem - er, His tri -



won - drous love to me; on the cru - el  
lost es - tate to save, in His bound - less  
um - phant power I'll tell, how the vic - to -



cross He suf - fered from the curse to set me free.  
love and mer - cy, He the ran - som free - ly gave.  
ry He giv - eth o - ver sin and death and hell.



*Refrain*  
Sing, O sing \_\_\_ of my Re - deem - er, with His blood \_\_\_



He pur - chased me; \_\_\_ on the cross \_\_\_ He sealed my



par - don, paid the debt \_\_\_ and made me free. \_\_\_

**\*Benediction**

“Aaron’s Blessing”

Ortega

*(9:30/11:00 - please echo Mr. Ortega at his cue.)*

May the Lord bless you and keep you.  
May the Lord make His face to shine on you,  
And be gracious to you.

May the Lord lift His countenance on you.  
May the Lord lift His countenance on you.  
May He keep you in perfect peace.

**Postlude**

8:00 “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven” *LAUDA ANIMA*  
Mr. Nielson, piano *arr. S. Nielson*

9:30/11:00 “Allegro Maestoso e Vivace” from *Sonata 2 Felix Mendelssohn*  
Dr. Davy, organ

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

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

*Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances;  
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. 1 Thessalonians 5.16-18*

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

Lucas Aleman, *violin*  
Jina Aleman, *violin*  
Rachel McDonald, *viola*  
Cara Fox, *cello*  
Elise Belk, *oboe*



**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**

Hebrews 4.14-5.10; John 1.16-18; John 13.23

“The Grace to Draw Near”



# LORD'S DAY EVENING WORSHIP

Sunday, February 5, 2023

6:00 p.m.

Welcome

The Rev. Paul Goebel

Prelude

"I Will Praise Him, Still"  
Fernando Ortega, *vocalist/pianist*

Ortega

Prayer

"Upon Being Moved by a Song or Piece of Music"

Leader: O Lord, let such melodies penetrate my heart's defenses,  
Gently revealing old wounds unto their eventual healings,  
Gently stirring eternal longings unto the restoration of hope.

\*Call to Worship

Mr. Goebel

Minister: Blessed are the people who know the festal shout,

**People: who walk, O Lord, in the light of Your face,**

Minister: who exult in Your name all the day

**People: and in Your righteousness are exalted.**

Minister: For You are the glory of their strength;

**People: by Your favor our horn is exalted.**

Minister: For our shield belongs to the Lord,

**People: our King to the Holy One of Israel.**

Psalm 89.15-18

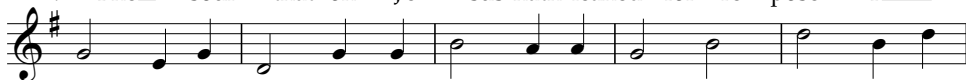
\*Hymn

"How Firm a Foundation"

FOUNDATION



1. How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord, is\_\_\_
2. "Fear\_ not, I am with thee, O be not dis - mayed; for\_\_\_
3. "When through fi - ery tri - als thy path - way shall lie, My\_\_\_
4. "The\_ soul that on Je - sus hath leaned for re - pose I\_\_\_



laid for your faith in His ex - cel - lent Word! What more can He  
I am thy God, and will still give thee aid; I'll strength - en thee,  
grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply: The flame shall not  
will not, I will not de - sert to its foes; That soul, though all



say than to you He hath said, to\_\_\_  
help thee, and cause thee to stand, up -  
hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign thy\_\_\_  
hell should en - deav - or to shake, I'll\_\_\_



you who for re - fuge to Je - sus have fled?  
held by My right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand.  
dross to con - sume and thy gold to re - fine.  
nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake!"



Be Thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
 Be Thou my wis - dom, and Thou my true word;  
 Rich - es I \_\_\_ heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise,  
 High King of \_\_\_ heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that Thou art—  
 I ev - er with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
 Thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;  
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!



Thou my best thought \_\_\_ by day or by night, \_\_\_  
 Thou my great Fa - ther, I Thy true son; \_\_\_  
 Thou and Thou on - ly, first in my heart, \_\_\_  
 Heart of \_\_\_ my \_\_\_ own heart, what - ev - er be - fall, \_\_\_



wak - ing or sleep - ing, Thy pres - ence my light.  
 Thou in me dwell - ing, and I with Thee one.  
 High King of heav - en, my trea - sure Thou art.  
 still by my vi - sion, O \_\_\_ Rul - er of all.

## \*Prayer of Adoration

Mr. Goebel

## Confession of Sin

from "A Liturgy of the Hours: Nightfall"

**Leader:** Now let us ready our hearts to make confession  
 for the imperfections of our love this day.  
 A moment of reflective silence is kept.  
 Holy Spirit, grant us each a true conviction  
 leading to a true repentance.

**People:** **Indeed it was our desire to serve you well  
 in this day, O God, but we have again fallen  
 short of your righteousness in our thoughts,  
 our intentions, our actions, and our  
 utterances. We have responded at times  
 without grace. We have chosen sometimes  
 that which is unprofitable and which leads  
 neither to our own flourishing nor to the  
 proclamation of your glory. Forgive us,  
 O King, for treasons both known and  
 unknown. Forgive us for the harms  
 we have done this day, and for the goods  
 we might have done but failed to do;  
 forgive us also for the constant condition  
 of our hearts, for the self-serving impulses,  
 inclinations, and desires which stand us,  
 every moment in need of a savior.**

Leader: How graciously he receives your repentances!

**People: God be merciful to we who are sinners!**

Leader: Take joy, all you who are called by his name,  
for his mercies are already yours!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

## Silent Confession

### Assurance of Forgiveness

from "A Liturgy of the Hours: Nightfall"

Leader: Now hear these words of favor,  
O children of God: All these sins you have truly repented of,  
he has eternally forgiven. They will never be held against you.  
You are free to love and to serve him in joyful assurance,  
knowing his grace will always be more  
than sufficient to your own failings.

**People: Thanks be to Christ for this glorious gift!**

Leader: Amen.

### Musical Meditation

"Just As I Am"

Ortega

### \*Scripture Reading: Hebrews 4.14-5.10; Mark 14.32-38

Hebrews 4.14-5.10

<sup>14</sup> *Since then we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.*

<sup>15</sup> *For we do not have a High Priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.*

<sup>16</sup> *Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.*

<sup>5.1</sup> *For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins.*

<sup>2</sup> *He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness.*

<sup>3</sup> *Because of this he is obligated to offer sacrifice for his own sins just as he does for those of the people.*

<sup>4</sup> *And no one takes this honor for himself, but only when called by God, just as Aaron was.*

<sup>5</sup> *So also Christ did not exalt Himself to be made a High Priest, but was appointed by Him who said to Him,*

*"You are my Son, today I have begotten You";*

<sup>6</sup> *as He says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek."*

<sup>7</sup> *In the days of His flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to Him who was able to save Him from death, and He was heard because of His reverence.*

<sup>8</sup> *Although He was a Son, He learned obedience through what He suffered.*

<sup>9</sup> *And being made perfect, He became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey Him,*

<sup>10</sup> *being designated by God a High Priest after the order of Melchizedek.*

Mark 14.32-38

And they went to a place called Gethsemane. And He said to His disciples, "Sit here while I pray."

33 And He took with Him Peter and James and John, and began to be greatly distressed and troubled.

34 And He said to them, "My soul is very sorrowful, even to death. Remain here and watch."

35 And going a little farther, He fell on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from Him.

36 And He said, "Abba, Father, all things are possible for You. Remove this cup from Me. Yet not what I will, but what You will."

37 And He came and found them sleeping, and He said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not watch one hour?"

38 Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."

Sermon

"The Grace to Hold Fast"

The Rev. Chad Scruggs

\*Hymn

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

SOLID ROCK



1. My hope is built on noth - ing less than Jes - us' blood and  
2. When dark - ness seems to hide His face, I rest on His un -  
3. His oath, His cov - e - nant, His blood sup - port me in the  
4. When He shall come with trum - pet sound, O may I then in



righ - teous - ness; I dare not trust the sweet - est frame, but  
chang - ing grace; in ev - ery high and storm - y gale, my  
whelm - ing flood; when all a - round my soul gives way, He  
Him be found; dressed in His righ - teous - ness a - lone, fault -



whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
an - chor holds with - in the veil. On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all  
then is all my hope and stay.  
less to stand be - fore the throne.



oth - er ground is sink - ing sand, all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

**\*Closing Prayer**

from "A Liturgy of the Hours: Nightfall"

Leader: Retire now, you children of God,  
contemplating his words and resting  
in the peace and surety of the love  
he has extended to you in Christ.  
Know this night the comfort of his Spirit,  
who ever abides in and among us,  
drawing us always toward our  
ultimate redemption at the renewing  
of body and soul and of all creation.

**People: Even now, O Lord,  
in the dark of this night,  
let our lives be lit by rumors  
of these coming glories.  
Amen.**

**\*Benediction**

Mr. Goebel

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

# Highlights

FEBRUARY 5, 2023

## 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.



## Missionary Women's Galentines Luncheon

February 9

12:00 - 1:30 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Join us for a ladies time of fellowship and fun as we celebrate God's work around the world. Lunch will be provided, donations appreciated, and childcare will be available. Please register online to attend.

[pcpc.org/events](https://pcpc.org/events)

## Valentine's Day Luncheon

February 14

12:00 - 2:00 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

This luncheon sponsored by our Senior Adult Ministry will feature Jenni Rasberry and her Voice Studio. We will enjoy Festive Kitchen lunch and a program of musical selections. All are welcome! There is no cost to attend. Please email to let us know you're coming.

[jane.beasley@pcpc.org](mailto:jane.beasley@pcpc.org)

## Special Events

*Grandparenting Luncheon*

FEBRUARY 12

*Young Adults Big Game Event*

FEBRUARY 12

*Women's Lenten Prayer*

FEBRUARY 22

*Women's Retreat*

FEBRUARY 24-26 | REGISTER

*Lenten Organ Series*

MARCH 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

*RUF-International Spice Night*

MARCH 3

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## Elementary Dessert War

February 10

5:00 - 6:30 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Join us for a fun evening of competition and team-building activities. Open to all 1st-4th grade boys and their mom/grandmother/aunt. Registration is open through today, February 5.

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## Faith & Culture: Reflecting Christ in a Polarized Culture

February 19

5:00 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

In a world where people are full of contempt for those with whom they disagree, we will consider how we can live as disciples of Christ with wisdom, humility, and love. Please join us to hear from Ligon Duncan, Chancellor of Reformed Theological Seminary, on this important topic.

[pcpc.org/faithandculture](https://pcpc.org/faithandculture)

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## GENERAL FUND

2022/2023 Operating Budget	\$15,300,000
Jul 1, 2022-Jan 29 2023 Budget	\$9,368,804
Jul 1, 2022-Jan 29, 2023 Giving	\$10,295,266
Budget Variance	\$926,462

## FERNANDO ORTEGA

Fernando is one of Christian music's most respected artists, his works encompassing modern hymns, liturgical songs, and Inspirational and praise & worship favorites. Renowned for his stirring arrangements of beloved hymns, his solo discography features 18 projects in a heralded career spanning more than 25 years with three Gospel Music Association Dove Awards and a Billboard Latin Music Award to his credit.

(fernandoortega.com)

## DOUGLAS MCKELVEY

Douglas has worked as an author (Every Moment Holy), song lyricist, scriptwriter, and video director. He and his wife Lise have three grown daughters and two sons-in-law. Douglas has served for the last four years as the sexton at St. John's Anglican Church in Franklin, Tennessee.

(everymomentholy.com)

## CHAD SCRUGGS

Chad served for several years as RUF Campus Minister at Southern Methodist University before becoming a Pastor at Park Cities Presbyterian Church. He is currently the Lead Pastor at Covenant Presbyterian Church in Nashville. He and his wife, Jada, have four children. (covenantpres.com)



## WANT TO GROW IN THE GRACE OF PRAYER?

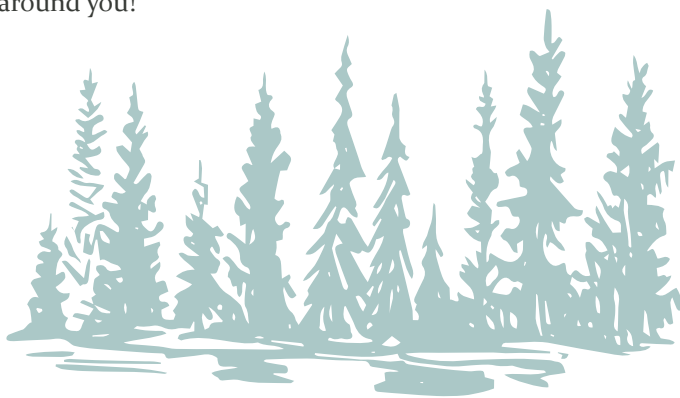
We have great upcoming opportunities to abide in Christ through prayer. Download a free digital copy of *Abide: A Prayer Book* ([pcpc.org/resources](http://pcpc.org/resources)) or pick-up a copy of our *Extend City Missions Prayer Guide* in the Grand Hall. Our Women's Ministry will host Lenten Prayer on February 22, and our elders will lead an All-Church Prayer on April 16. We would love for you to invite family and friends to join us for Holy Week, April 2-9. We are grateful for the grace of prayer and the many ways we can pray together.

Also, be sure to visit the PCPC Bookstore on the Lower Level for a wide variety of beautiful Bibles, books on prayer, commentaries, and biblical resources for children and adults.



## WHAT'S YOUR NEXT STEP?

We would love to help you take the next step and find your place at PCPC. Come to the Grand Hall and learn more about our Sunday Morning Communities and Men's and Women's Bible Studies happening at our church this spring ([pcpc.org/grow](http://pcpc.org/grow)). Explore additional resources and events in our 2023 Spring Guide ([pcpc.org/guide](http://pcpc.org/guide)) that will help you connect to Christ and one another, abide in Christ, and Extend Christ to those around you!



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