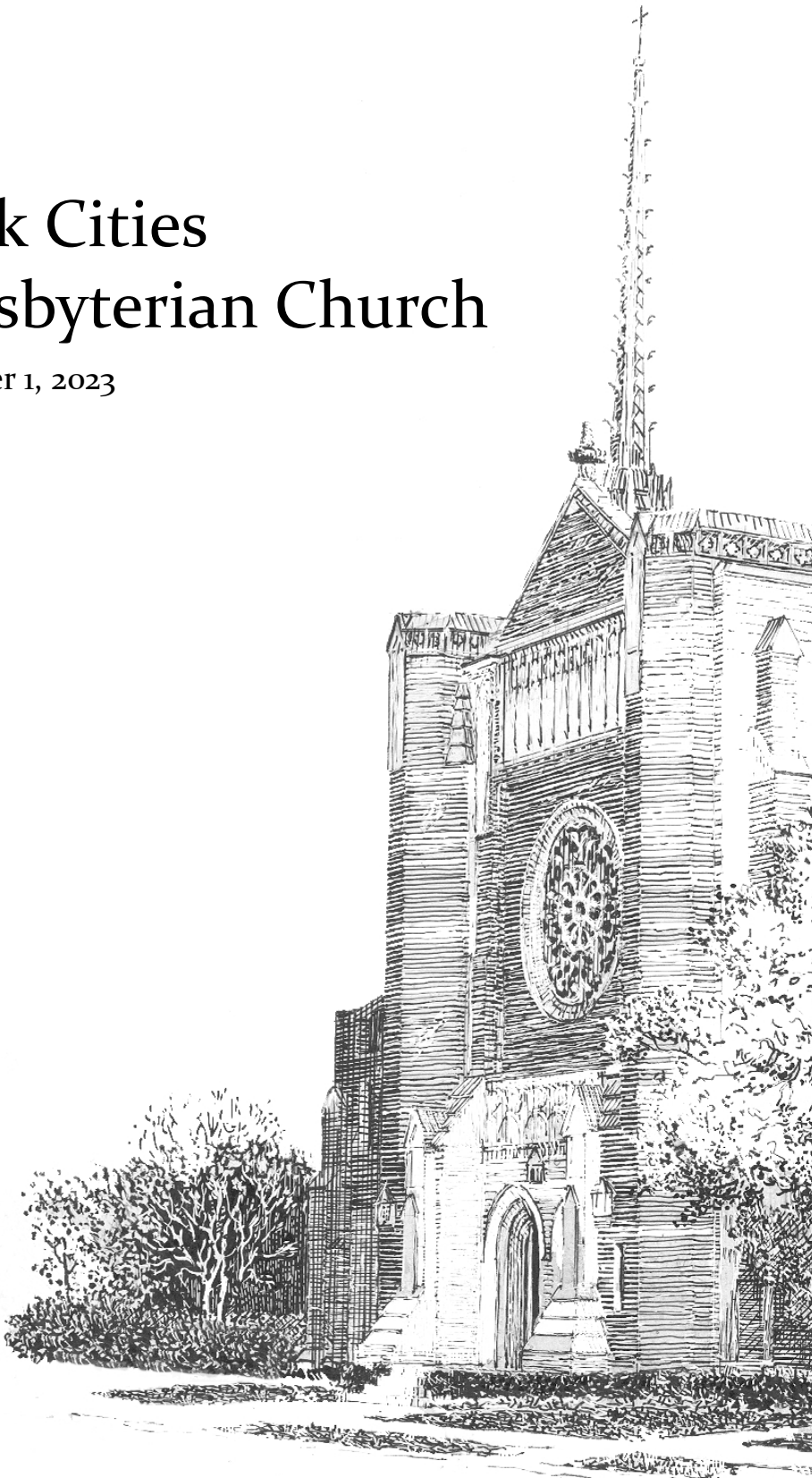


Park Cities Presbyterian Church

October 1, 2023



*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.*

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

October 1, 2023
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

*Call to Worship

Minister: All Your works shall give thanks to You, O LORD,

People: and all Your saints shall bless You!

Minister: They shall speak of the glory of Your Kingdom

People: and tell of Your power,

Minister: to make known to the children of man Your mighty deeds,

People: and the glorious splendor of Your Kingdom.

Minister: Your Kingdom is an everlasting Kingdom,

People: and Your dominion endures throughout all generations.

Psalm 145.10-13

*Hymn of Praise

“Christ Triumphant, Ever Reigning”

GUITING POWER



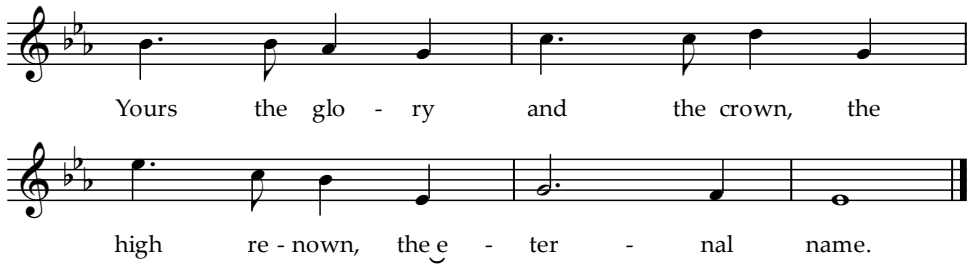
1. Christ tri - um - phant, ev - er reign - ing,
2. Word in - car - nate, truth re - veal - ing,
3. Suf - f'ring ser - vant, scorned ill - treat - ed,
4. Priest - ly king, en - throned for - ev - er
5. So, our hearts and voic - es rais - ing



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**

***Profession of Faith**

The Rev. Robby Higginbottom

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;**

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Apostles' Creed

Second Grade Bible Presentation

9:30

Preparation for Confession

9:30/11:00

“The Rose II”

Ola Gjeilo

Instrumental Ensemble • Christopher Adkins, *cello*

Public Confession of Sin

Mr. Higginbottom

O God of grace,
You have imputed my sin to my substitute,
and have imputed His righteousness to my soul,
clothing me with a bridegroom’s robe,
decking me with jewels of holiness.
But in my Christian walk I am still in rags;
my best prayers are stained with sin;
my penitential tears are so much impurity;
my confessions of wrong are so many aggravations of sin;
my receiving the Spirit is tainted with selfishness.
I need to repent of my repentance;
I need my tears to be washed;
I have no robe to bring to cover my sins,
no loom to weave my own righteousness;
I am always standing clothed in filthy garments,
and by grace am always receiving change of raiment,
for You justify the ungodly.
Grant me never to lose sight of the exceeding sinfulness of sin,
the exceeding righteousness of salvation,
the exceeding glory of Christ,
the exceeding beauty of holiness,
the exceeding wonder of grace!

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD; my soul shall exult in my God, for He has clothed me with the garments of salvation; He has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. Isaiah 61.10

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

*Hymn

“Come, Ye Souls by Sin Afflicted”

Swain/Wilbur

8:00: please sing all stanzas

9:30/11:00: choir, stanza 1; all, stanzas 2-4



1. Come, ye souls by sin af - flict - ed, bowed with
 2. Take His ea - sy yoke and wear it; love will
 3. Bless - ed are the eyes that see Him, blest the
 4. Sweet as home to pil - grims wear - y, light to



fruit - less sor - row down; by the bro - ken law con -
 make o - be - dience sweet; Christ will give you strength to
 ears that hear His voice; bless - ed are the souls that
 new - ly o - pened eyes, or full springs in des - erts



vict - ed, through the cross be - hold the crown;
 bear it, while His wis - dom guides your feet
 trust Him, and in Him a - lone re - joice;
 drear - y is the rest the cross sup - plies;



look to Je - sus; mer - cy flows through Him a - lone.
 safe to glo - ry, where His ran - somed cap - tives meet.
 His com - mand - ments then be - come their hap - py choice.
 all who taste it shall to rest im - mor - tal rise.

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

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 214-833-7724.

Musical Offering

8:00

“O Gott, du frommer Gott”
Mary Preston, organ

Johann G. Walther

9:30/11:00

“Thou Art Holy”
Chancel Choir • Instrumental Ensemble
Nathan Davy, organ • J. Marty Cope, conducting

arr Craig Courtney

Holy, holy, holy, Thou art holy; Thou alone art holy.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee; Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

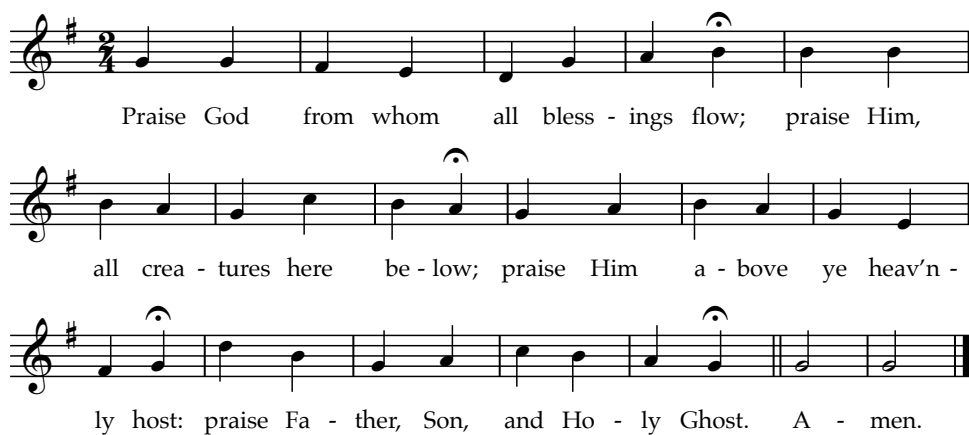
Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore Thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, Who wert and art, and evermore shall be.

Thou art holy! Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide Thee, though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see; Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee, perfect in power, in love and purity.

Thou art holy! Holy, holy, holy art Thou, O Thou art holy, Thou alone art holy.

***The Doxology**

OLD HUNDREDTH



Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise Him,
all crea - tures here be - low; praise Him a - bove ye heav'n -
ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

*During the 9:30 service, 1st and 2nd graders may exit at this time using the doors at the front-right of the Sanctuary to meet their teachers for Worship Explorers. **Children must be checked-in and have a nametag.** A check-in kiosk is available in the hallway outside the Sanctuary doors.*

***The Scripture Reading: Revelation 3.1-6**

Mr. Williams 8:00

Eliza Beasley and Bennett Brewer 9:30

Peregrine Mackenroth and Warren Bell 11:00

And to the angel of the church in Sardis write: "The words of Him who has the seven Spirits of God and the seven stars. 'I know your works. You have the reputation of being alive, but you are dead.

² Wake up, and strengthen what remains and is about to die, for I have not found your works complete in the sight of My God.

³ Remember, then, what you received and heard. Keep it, and repent. If you will not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what hour I will come against you.

⁴ Yet you have still a few names in Sardis, people who have not soiled their garments, and they will walk with Me in white, for they are worthy.

⁵ The one who conquers will be clothed thus in white garments, and I will never blot his name out of the book of life. I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels.

⁶ He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches."

The Sermon

"White Robes for Whitewashed Tombs"

Mr. Williams 8:00

Mr. Goebel 9:30/11:00

Worshippers at 9:30 and 11:00, please continue at the closing hymn.

*The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

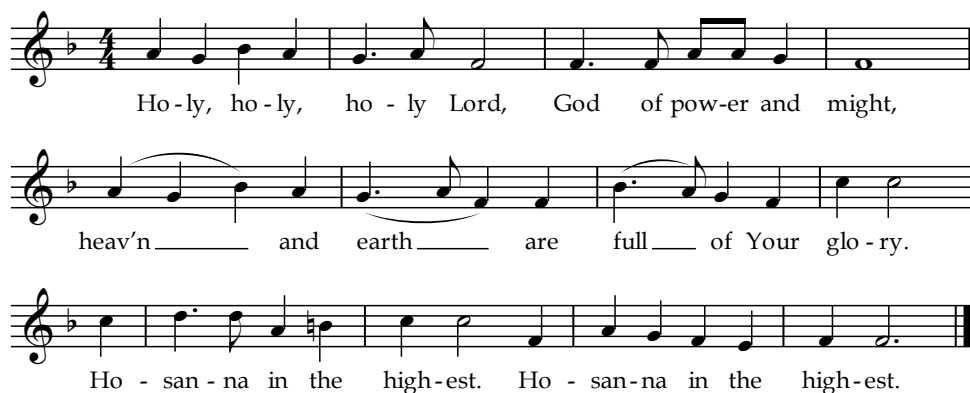
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

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**

"Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me"

Robinson/Farren/
Thompson

1. What gift of grace is Je - sus my re - deem - er, there is no
 2. The night is dark, but I am not for - sak - en, for by my
 3. No fate I dread, I know I am for - giv - en, the fu - ture
 4. With ev - 'ry breath, I long to fol - low Je - sus, for He has



more for heav - en now to give. He is my joy, my right - eous -
 side, the Sav - ior He will stay. I la - bor on in weak - ness
 sure, the price, it has been paid. For Je - sus bled and suf - fered
 said that He will bring me home. And day by day, I know He



ness and free - dom, my stead - fast love, my deep and bound - less
 and re - joic - ing. For in my need, His pow - er is dis -
 for my par - don, and He was raised to o - ver - throw the
 will re - new me un - til I stand with joy be - fore the



peace. To this I hold, my hope is on - ly Je - sus. For my
 played. To this I hold, my Shep - herd will de - fend me. Through the
 grave. To this I hold, my sin has been de - feat - ed. Je - sus
 throne. To this I hold, my hope is on - ly Je - sus. All the



life is whol - ly bound to His. Oh, how strange and di - vine,
 deep - est val - ley He will lead. Oh, the night has been won
 now and ev - er is my plea. Oh, the chains are re - leased,
 glo - ry ev - er - more to Him. When the race is com - plete



I can sing, "All is mine, yet not I, but through Christ in me."
 and I shall o - ver - come, yet not I, but through Christ in me.
 I can sing, "I am free, yet not I, but through Christ in me."
 still my lips shall re - peat, "Yet not I, but through Christ in me."

***The Benediction**

Minister: Now may Yahweh, the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of
 the earth, who never faints or grows weary, may this God increase
 and renew your strength so that you can go on walking faithfully,
 whether in the light or in darkness.

Dale Ralph Davis

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

The Postlude

8:00

“Praeludium in G”
Mrs. Preston, *organ*

Nikolaus Bruhns

9:30/11:00

“Fugue in C minor, BWV 582”
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.

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

Jina Aleman, *violin*
Sasha Adkins, *violin*
Rachel McDonald, *viola*
Christopher Adkins, *cello*
Gerry Wood, *French horn*
Joe Ferraro, *percussion*



Park Cities Presbyterian Church exists to extend the transforming presence of the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ in Dallas and to the world.

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The Rev. Mark Davis

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The Rev. Pete Hatton
The Rev. Robby Higginbottom
The Rev. Bill Lamberth
The Rev. Tommy Overton
The Rev. Ron Williams

SERMON NOTES

Revelation 3.1-6

“White Robes for Whitewashed Tombs”

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

The following questions help us engage with the sermon, music, and liturgy in this morning's worship service, and may be useful during personal devotions, group studies, and family worship.

1. What is revival? What would genuine revival look like in the Church today?
2. What was the problem in the church in Sardis? Where do you see this problem in the Church today? Where do you see this problem in yourself?
3. Read Matthew 23.26-28 . Why did Jesus say that the Scribes and Pharisees were like "whitewashed tombs"? What does this have to do with the church in Sardis? What does this have to do with us?
4. Why does Jesus call the church in Sardis to wake up? What does staying awake have to do with the return of Christ?
5. In what way do we suffer from spiritual slumber? What things lull us into complacency?
6. Read Revelation 3.5. Why does Jesus promise white robes to those who conquer? What do white robes symbolize in the Bible?
7. How does the Gospel invite us to trade in our whitewashed tombs for the white robes of Jesus?

Highlights

OCTOBER 1, 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.

Connection Card

Thanks for joining us today! If you are new or looking to connect at our church, please scan the QR code and fill out our Connection Card, so we can know you were here and help you connect.



Understanding the Book of Revelation

Tonight

6:00 P.M. | SANCTUARY

Join us for a lecture with Dr. G.K. Beale, Professor of New Testament at Reformed Theological Seminary and published author.

pcpc.org/events

Pumpkin Gospel

October 6

5:00 P.M. | PCPC COURTYARD

Join PCPC Kids for a fun, family-friendly Pumpkin Gospel presentation and a chili and corn dog dinner. We ask each family to bring one medium size pumpkin to use. Please register online.

pcpc.org/events

Church in the City Luncheon

October 8

12:30 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Sports provide us with unique opportunities to build relationships and share the Gospel in our city. Join us for lunch after church as we discuss this topic.

pcpc.org/events

MinistrySafe Training

October 11

6:00 P.M. | SANCTUARY

We have the privilege of hosting Kimberlee Norris, MinistrySafe co-founder, to conduct live awareness training. This event is open to current volunteers, staff, deacons, elders, and anyone considering serving in our PCPC Family Ministries. Please register.

pcpc.org/events

Faith & Culture Book Discussion

Mondays beginning October 16

12:00 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

This five-week lunch-hour discussion of Rebecca McLaughlin's *The Secular Creed* will be led by various PCPC pastors in an interactive format evaluating the contemporary claims of our culture.

pcpc.org/faithandculture

Special Events

ThirdThird Luncheon

TODAY | 12:30 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL C

Faith Driven Entrepreneur Course

STARTS OCTOBER 4 | 12:00 P.M. | MEZZANINE A

Senior Adults: State Fair Day

OCTOBER 12 | 9:30 A.M.-3:00 P.M.

The Bridge:

What's Her Story?

OCTOBER 17 | 6:30 P.M.

FELLOWSHIP HALL

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2023/2024 Operating Budget	\$15,925,000
Jul 1, 2023–Sept 24, 2023 Budget	\$2,928,913
Jul 1, 2023–Sept 24, 2023 Giving	\$2,791,749
Budget Variance	(\$137,164)