



*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

August 11, 2024

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

August 11, 2024
8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Paul Goebel

The Prelude

8:00

“Air” from Suite No. 3, BWV 1068
Mary Preston, organ

J. S. Bach

9:30/11:00

“Hallelujah! What a Savior”
PCPC Men’s Ensemble

Philip P. Bliss

*Call to Worship

Minister: Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens,

People: Your faithfulness to the clouds.

Minister: Your righteousness is like the mountains of God;

**People: Your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast
You save, O LORD.**

Minister: How precious is Your steadfast love, O God!

**People: The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of
Your wings.**

Minister: They feast on the abundance of Your house,

People: and You give them drink from the river of Your delights.

Minister: For with You is the fountain of life;

People: in Your light do we see light.

Psalm 36.5-9

*Hymn of Praise

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

ST. ANNE

1. O God, our help in a-ges past, Our hope for years to come,
2. Un-der the shad-ow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt se-cure;
3. Be-fore the hills in or-der stood, Or earth re-ceived her frame,
4. A thou-sand a-ges in Thy sight Are like an eve-ning gone;
5. Time, like an ev-er-roll-ing stream, Bears all its sons a-way;
6. O God, our help in a-ges past, Our hope for years to come,

Our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home!
 Suf - fi - cient is Thine arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.
 From ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, To end - less years the same.
 Short as the watch that ends the night Be - fore the ris - ing sun.
 They fly, for - got - ten, as a dream Dies at the op - 'ning day.
 Be Thou our guard while life shall last, And our e - ter - nal home.

***Prayer of Adoration**

***Profession of Faith**

The Rev. Robby Higginbottom 8:00/9:30

The Rev. Dr. Pete Deison 11:00

**Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!
 How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable His ways!**

**“For who has known the mind of the Lord,
 or who has been His counselor?”**

**“Or who has given a gift to Him
 that he might be repaid?”**

For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things.

To Him be glory forever. Amen.

Romans 11.33-36

***Hymn**

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

AZMON

1. O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my
 2. My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as -
 3. Je - sus! the name that charms our fears, that
 4. He breaks the pow'r of reign - ing sin, He
 5. He speaks, and lis - t'ning to His voice, new
 6. Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb, your

great Re - deem - er's praise, the glo - ries of my
 sist me to pro - claim, to spread through all the
 bids our sor - rows cease, 'tis mu - sic in the
 sets the pris - 'ner free; His blood can make the
 life the dead re - ceive; the mourn - ful, bro - ken
 loos - ened tongues em - ploy; ye blind, be - hold your

God and King, the ___ tri - umphs of His grace!
 earth a - broad the ___ hon - ors of Thy name.
 sin - ner's ears, 'tis ___ life, and health, and peace.
 foul - est clean; His ___ blood a - vailed for me.
 hearts re - joice; the ___ hum - ble poor be - lieve.
 Sav - ior come, and ___ leap, ye lame, for joy.

Public Confession of Sin

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

God of compassion,
You are slow to anger and full of mercy,
welcoming sinners who return to You with penitent hearts.
Receive in Your loving embrace
all who come home to You.
Seat them at Your bountiful table of grace,
that, with all Your children,
they may feast with delight
on all that satisfies the hungry heart.
We ask Your forgiveness in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior,
who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

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!

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Higginbottom 8:00/9:30
Dr. Deison 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 214-833-7724.

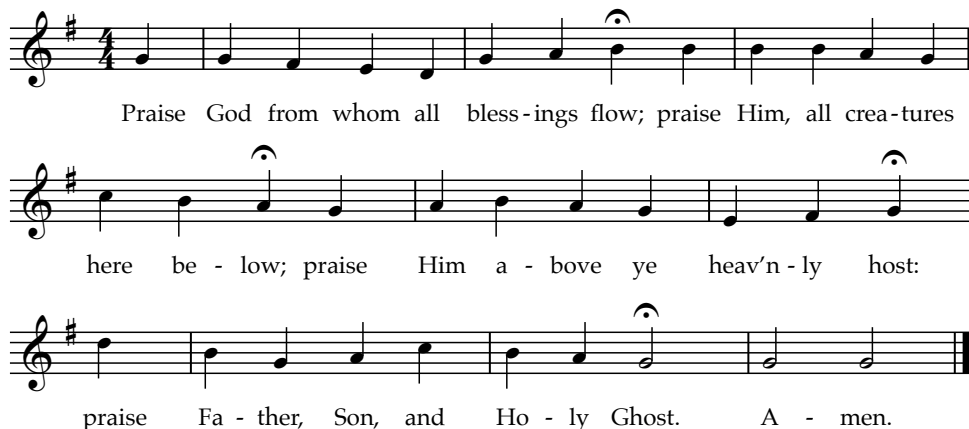
Musical Offering

8:00 "Air in D" John Reading
Mrs. Preston, organ

9:30/11:00 "Amazing Grace" Craig Courtney
PCPC Men's Ensemble • Stephen Nielson, piano

***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.

***The Scripture Reading: Psalm 119.97-104**

Oh how I love Your law! It is my meditation all the day.

⁹⁸ *Your commandment makes me wiser than my enemies, for it is ever with me.*

⁹⁹ *I have more understanding than all my teachers, for Your testimonies are my meditation.*

¹⁰⁰ *I understand more than the aged, for I keep Your precepts.*

¹⁰¹ *I hold back my feet from every evil way, in order to keep Your Word.*

¹⁰² *I do not turn aside from Your rules, for You have taught me.*

¹⁰³ *How sweet are Your Words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!*

¹⁰⁴ *Through Your precepts I get understanding; therefore I hate every false way.*

Sermon

“Sweeter than Honey”

Mr. Goebel

***The Great Thanksgiving**

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

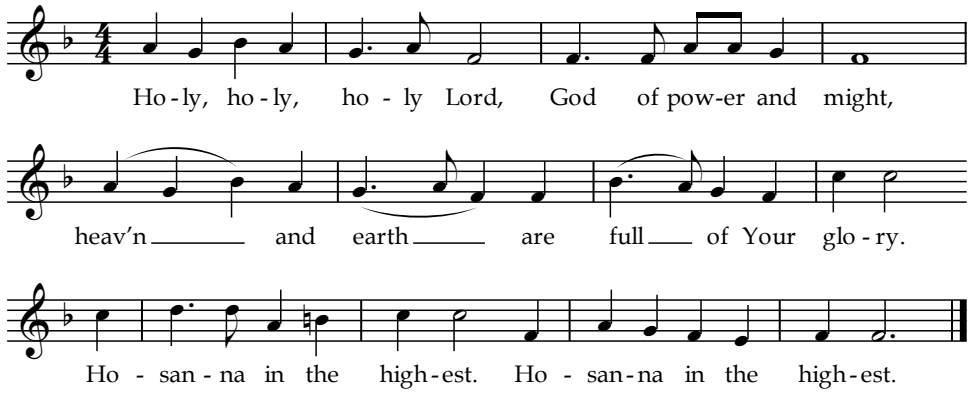
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

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**

The Lord's Table 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.*

(Worshippers at 8:00, please continue at the closing hymn.)

The Lord's Table 9:30/11:00

*Please come forward to receive the elements as directed by an usher.
 Partake of each when served, returning to your seat with your empty cup.
 The bread being served is gluten free.*

“We Will Feast in the House of Zion” Sandra McCracken

Refrain

We will feast in the house of Zi - on. We will sing with our hearts re-stored. He has done great things we will say to - ge - ther we will feast and weep no more.

1. We will not be
2. In the dark of
3. Ev - 'ry vow we've

burned by the fire, He is the Lord our night be - fore the dawn, my soul be not a - bro - ken and be - trayed, You are the faith - ful

God; we are not con - sumed by the flood
 fraid, for the pro - mised mor - ning, O how long?
 one; and from the gar - den to the grave

up - held, pro - tect - ed, gath - ered up.
 O God of Ja - cob be my strength.
 bind us to - ge - ther, bring sha - lom.

“The Peace May Be Exchanged” Dan Locklair
Dr. Nathan Davy, organ

1. All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let
 2. Ye seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye
 3. Let ev' - ry kin - dred, ev' - ry tribe on
 4. O that with yon - der sa - cred throng we

an - gels pros - trate fall, let an - gels pros - trate fall;
 ran - somed of the fall, ye ran - somed from the fall,
 this ter - res - trial ball, on this ter - res - trial ball,
 at His feet may fall, we at His feet may fall!

bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem,
 hail Him who saves you by His grace,
 to Him all maj - es - ty as - cribe,
 We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song,

and crown
 and crown Him, crown Him, crown Him,

— Him, crown Him, crown Him,
 crown Him, crown Him, crown Him,
 crown

crown Him, and crown Him Lord of all!
 — Him, and crown Him

***The Benediction**

Minister: Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Hebrews 13:20-21

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

The Postlude

8:00 “Allegro maestoso e vivace” from *Sonata II* *Felix Mendelssohn*
Mrs. Preston, organ

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 the worship service this morning are given to the glory of God.

*Members of PCPC who have joined the Church Triumphant
since our last Communion service:*

Betty Bellamy
Arthur Cleveland Wood, Jr.
Constance “Connie” V. Power
Brian T. Post

**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

Psalm 119.97-104
“Sweeter than Honey”

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 does it look like to love the Word of God? Do you love the Word of God? Why or why not?
2. What is the difference between the wisdom of God and the wisdom of the world?
3. Read 1 Corinthians 1.18-25. How does the cross of Christ display the wisdom of God?
4. Read Psalm 119.101. What evil ways are you tempted to walk down? How has God given us a better way?
5. Why are God's rules good for us?
6. Read Psalm 119.103. When you read the word of God do you find it bitter or sweet? Why?
7. What does it mean to feast on the Word of God?

Highlights

AUGUST 11, 2024

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.



pcpc.org/connect

New Member Class

September 8-October 27

9:30 A.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Is the Lord calling you to be a member of PCPC? Our New Member Class gives you the opportunity to explore PCPC's beliefs and mission. Registration is open.

pcpc.org/membership

Dessert with the Shepherds

Sunday, August 18

7:00 P.M. | MIDDLE SCHOOL HANGOUT (LEVEL ONE)

Join us for dessert and hear an update about family and church life in Ukraine from PCPC Missionaries Doug and Masha Shepherd as well as Crates 4.o.

pcpc.org/events

Communicant Class Parent Intro Meeting

This fall, PCPC will offer two communicant classes for children and youth who are interested in full communing membership and ready to be admitted to the Lord's Table. The 6-week classes will begin September 15. There is a required parent intro class on either August 25 or September 1. Registration is open.

pcpc.org/worship/communicants

School Uniforms

Your support in providing school uniforms will greatly bless the precious children at Union Gospel Mission's Center of Hope. Please prayerfully consider how your family can help with this wonderful opportunity.

pcpc.org/events

Middle School Fall Retreat

October 4-6

SKY RANCH

Register online today for a weekend designed to help middle school students grow in their relationship with Jesus and with each other. You can expect great Bible teaching, games, a silent disco, amazing activity options, and more!

pcpc.org/events

Special Events

Young Adult Pool Party

AUGUST 14 | 7:00 P.M.

RUF-International Welcome Party

AUGUST 24 | 6:00 P.M. | WOODWARD HOME

PCPC Men: A Night of Worship

AUGUST 23 | 6:30 P.M.

Women's Kickoff:

A Night of Worship & Prayer

AUGUST 27 | 7:00 P.M. | CHAPEL

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GENERAL FUND

2024/2025 Operating Budget \$17,200,000

Jul 1, 2024–July 28, 2024 Budget \$1,285,067

Jul 1, 2024–July 28, 2024 Giving \$1,064,787

Budget Variance (\$220,281)