

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 25, 2024

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

August 25, 2024 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

#### Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Mark Davis

#### The Prelude

8:00 "Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now, BWV 709" J. S. Bach Mary Preston, organ

"Processional March" David Pettit

Cody McClarty, trumpet • Nathan Davy, organ

#### \*Call to Worship

9:30/11:00

Minister: Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for He has done marvelous things! People: His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation for Him.

Minister: The LORD has made known His salvation;

People: He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations. Minister: He has remembered His steadfast love and faithfulness to the

house of Israel.

People: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Psalm 98.1-3

#### \*Hymn

"And Can It Be That I Should Gain"

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And can it be that I should gain an int'rest in the Savior's blood? Died He for me, who caused His pain? For me, who Him to death pursued? Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

#### Refrain:

Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

all saying:

God was pleased, in His eternal purpose, to choose and ordain the Lord Jesus, His only begotten Son, to be the mediator between God and man. As the mediator, He is the prophet, priest, and king, the Head and Savior of the Church, the heir of all things, and the judge of the world. God gave to Him, from all eternity, a people to be His seed and to be by Him, in time, redeemed, called, justified, sanctified, and glorified.

#### all singing:

'Tis myst'ry all! Th'Immortal dies: who can explore His strange design? In vain the first-born seraph tries to sound the depths of love divine. 'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore, let angel minds inquire no more.

#### Refrain:

Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

He left His Father's throne above, so free, so infinite His grace! Humbled Himself so great His love! and bled for all His chosen race! 'Tis mercy all, immense and free, for, O my God, it found out me! (*Refrain*)

### all saying:

With joy we praise You, gracious God, For You created heaven and earth, made us in Your image, and kept covenant with us even when we fell into sin.

#### all singing:

Long my imprisoned spirit lay fast bound in sin and nature's night; Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray; I woke, the dungeon flamed with light; My chains fell off, my heart was free; I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

## Refrain:

Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

## all saying:

We give You thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord, who by His life, death, and resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore we join our voices with all the saints and angels and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of Your name.

#### all singing:

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in Him, is mine! Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine, Bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ, my own.

#### Refrain:

Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

# \*Prayer of Adoration

We praise You, O God of light,

that in You there is no darkness at all.

We are Your children:

help us to walk as children of the light.

Illumine our lives with Your Word of truth,

that we might know ourselves and see our great need for You.

We are afraid to be seen as we really are,

and yet, O God, You know us through and through.

Help me to see again that Jesus died for all of my sin,

even those which I don't want to let go.

Impress upon me that since I have been crucified with Christ,

I am dead to my sin.

How can I go on living in it?

Lord, I cry out to You in my need.

Be pleased to help me, O God,

through Jesus my Savior and Light,

who rescues me from the darkness.

#### **Private Confession**

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

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I have come into the world as light, so that whoever believes in Me may not remain in darkness.

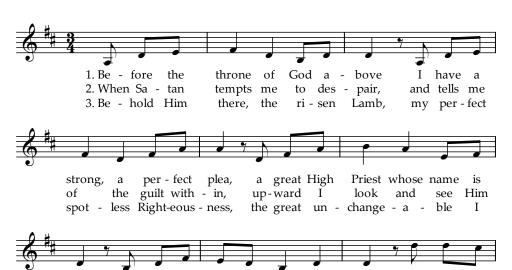
John 12.46

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

\*Hymn

"Before the Throne of God Above"

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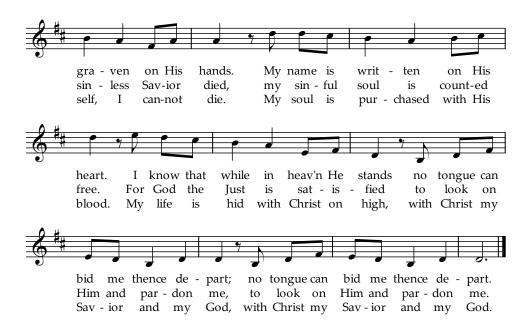
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# **Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer**

Mr. Goebel

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

"Andante in F" Mrs. Preston, *organ*  Felix Mendelssohn

9:30/11:00 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" arr. Mark Hayes Cody McClarty, trumpet • Nathan Davy, organ • J. Marty Cope, conducting

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but Thou art mighty; hold me with Thy pow'rful hand; Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow; let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through; strong Deliv'rer, strong Deliv'rer, be Thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside; bear me through the swelling current, land me safe on Canaan's side; songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to Thee.

#### \*The Doxology

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

# ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF RULING ELDERS AND DEACONS

— 9:30/11:00 —

#### **ELDERS:**

Class of 2028:

Donald Freeman Dillahunty\* Houston Bunker Hunt\* John Richard Owens, Jr.\* Kirk Richard Pogoloff\*

#### DEACONS:

Conner Bradford Adkins William Lange Banowsky John Bradley Cooper Alexander Chiles Cothran Harry Edward Flaherty, Jr. J. Madison Gardner Wesley Keaton Henry R. Greg Jones Daniel Louis Kilman Matthew Christen King Andrew Hoyme Obenchain Jason Kyle Turner

#### **Explanation of Ordination and Installation**

The Rev. Mark Davis

#### **Ordination and Installation Questions**

#### **Questions to Officer Candidates:**

- 1. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as originally given, to be the inerrant Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice?
- 2. Do you sincerely receive and adopt the *Confession of Faith* and the *Catechisms* of this church, as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures; and do you further promise that if at any time you find yourself out of accord with any of the fundamentals of this system of doctrine, you will, on your own initiative, make known to your Session the change which has taken place in your views since the assumption of this ordination yow?
- 3. Do you approve of the form of government and discipline of the Presbyterian Church in America, in conformity with the general principles of biblical polity?
- 4. Do you accept the office of ruling elder or deacon in this church, and promise faithfully to perform all of the duties thereof, and to endeavor by the grace of God to adorn the profession of the Gospel in your life, and to set a worthy example before the church of which God has made you an officer?
- 5. Do you promise subjection to your brethren in the Lord?
- 6. Do you promise to strive for the purity, peace, unity, and edification of the church?

#### Question to the Congregation:

Do you, the members of this church, acknowledge and receive these brothers as ruling elders and deacons, as the case may be, and do you promise to yield

<sup>\*</sup>Previously ordained (installation only)

them all that honor, encouragement, and obedience in the Lord to which their respective offices, according to the Word of God and the Constitution of this church, entitle them?

#### **Prayer of Ordination and Installation**

Mr. John Bateman

#### Pronouncement of Ordination and Installation

Mr. Davis

# **Right Hand of Fellowship**



# Charge to the Congregation

Mr. David Newman

#### \*The Scripture Reading: John 1.6-13

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John.

- <sup>7</sup> He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him.
- <sup>8</sup> He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light.
- <sup>9</sup> The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world.
- <sup>10</sup> He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, yet the world did not know Him.
- <sup>11</sup> He came to His own, and His own people did not receive Him.
- <sup>12</sup> But to all who did receive Him, who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God,
- <sup>13</sup> who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

**Sermon** "Bearing Witness to the Light and the Birth of Belief" Mr. Davis

Worshipers at 9:30 and 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

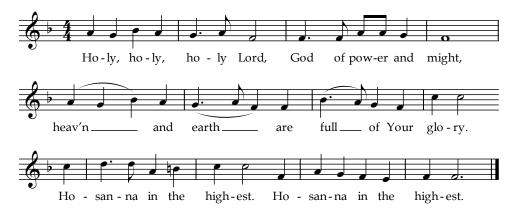
to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty,

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

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#### Communion 8:00

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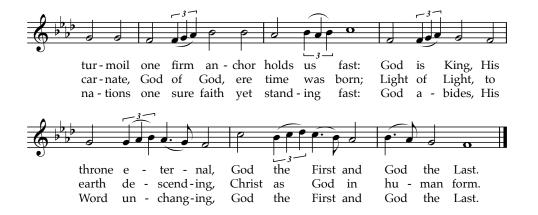
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#### \*The Benediction

Minister: Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and God our Father,

who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

2 Thessalonians. 2.16-17

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

#### The Postlude

8:00 "Allegro in B-flat" Giulio Taglietti
Mrs. Preston, organ

9:30/11:00 "Allegro" from Concerto in C major J. S. Bach
Dr. Davy, organ

\*Please stand if you are able.

The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God and in memory of our son, Aaron Chapple Overton, on his birthday from his loving parents, Mary and George Jackson.

The flowers in the narthex are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Julia Krog to Michael Clevenger as they become one in Christ.

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**

John 1.6-13 "Bearing Witness to the Light and the Birth of Belief"

# **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.	Who was John the Baptist? What was he sent to do?
2.	What does it mean to bear witness?
3.	List several things we learn about God's plan of redemption from this passage:
4.	What are the two responses to the true light coming?
5.	What does it mean when John says, "He gave the right to become children of God?" (1.12)
6.	How does one become a child of God according to 1.13? What does this mean?
7.	How are we called to bear witness to the light?

# <u>Highlights</u>

# **AUGUST 25, 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

# Women's Kickoff: A Night of Worship & Prayer

Tuesday, August 27 7:00 P.M. | CHAPEL

Together we will dedicate our year to the Lord, pray for our church, city, and world, and seek to share the hope we have in Jesus, the Great I AM.

pcpc.org/women

# Friday Fellowship Friday, September 6

10:30 A.M.-1:00 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL C Join us for our first Senior Adult Friday Fellowship, Lunch with Rob Rucker. Hear the plans for the PCPC Senior Adult Ministry, spend time in the Word, and enjoy food & fellowship. Please register online.

pcpc.org/events

# Helping Hands

Saturday, September 7 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, and senior adults by doing odd jobs around their homes. Please register online.

pcpc.org/events

# **New Members Class**

September 8-October 27

9:30 A.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

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

pcpc.org/membership

## Fall Bible Studies and Classes

Launching September 9-13

Join us as we abide in Christ and connect with one another at PCPC:

- GriefShare & DivorceCare
- Men's, Women's, & Couple's Bible Studies
- UNION (Pre-Marriage)
- Midweek Dinners & Vespers
- Youth Small Groups & Children's Choirs

pcpc.org/events

# Special Events

Parent Intro Meeting for Communicant Classes SEPTEMBER 1 | 11:00 A.M.



SEPTEMBER 4-5 | VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

First Friday/bEfriend

SEPTEMBER 6 | 6:00 P.M. | PRESCHOOL AREA Middle School Fall Retreat OCTOBER 4-6 | REGISTER

pcpc.org/events

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#### GENERAL FUND

2024/2025 Operating Budget Jul 1, 2024-Aug 18, 2024 Budget Jul 1, 2024-Aug 18, 2024 Giving **Budget Variance** 

\$17,200,000 \$1,849,721 \$1,706,360 (\$143,361)