



*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**

**February 16, 2025**

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

February 16, 2025  
8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

## Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Robby Higginbottom 8:00  
The Rev. Paul Goebel 9:30/11:00

## \*Call to Worship

Minister: Oh sing to the LORD a new song;

**People: Sing to the LORD, all the earth!**

Minister: Sing to the LORD, bless His name;

**People: Tell of His salvation from day to day.**

Minister: Declare His glory among the nations,

**People: His marvelous works among all the peoples!**

Minister: For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;

**People: He is to be feared above all gods.**

Minister: Splendor and majesty are before Him;

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

Psalms 96:1-4, 6

## \*Hymn of Praise

"To God Be the Glory"

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

Hymn No. 55 in the Trinity Hymnal



1. To God be the glo - ry, great things He has  
2. O per - fect re - demp - tion, the pur - chase of  
3. Great things He has taught us, great things He has



done! So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,  
blood! to ev - 'ry be - liev - er the prom - ise of God;  
done, and great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son;



who yield - ed His life an a - tone - ment for sin, and  
the vil - est of - fend - er who tru - ly be - lieves, that  
but pur - er and high - er and great - er will be our



o - pened the life - gate that we may go in.  
mo - ment from Je - sus for - give - ness re - ceives.  
won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

*Refrain*

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice! Praise the  
 Lord, praise the Lord, let the peo-ple re-joyce! O come to the Fa-ther through  
 Je-sus the Son, and give Him the glo - ry, great things He has done!

### **\*Prayer of Adoration**

*Please be seated.*

**Anthem of Praise**      “Come, Christians, Join to Sing”      *Randall Kempton*  
 Chancel Choir • Sasha Adkins, violin  
 Stephen Nielson and Nathan Davy, piano • J. Marty Cope, conducting

*Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen! loud praise to Christ our King;  
 Alleluia! Amen! let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice;  
 praise is His gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!*

*Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen! let praises fill the sky; Alleluia!  
 Amen! He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll condescend; His love shall  
 never end: Alleluia! Amen!*

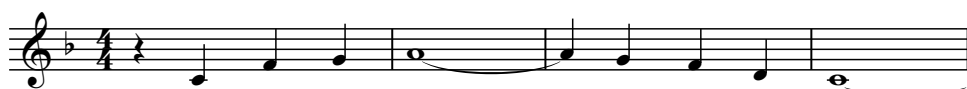
*Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen! life shall not end the strain;  
 Alleluia! Amen! on heaven's blissful shore, His goodness we'll adore,  
 singing forevermore! Alleluia! Amen!*

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

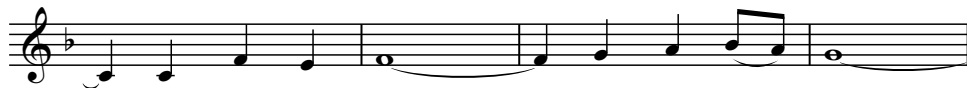
The Rev. Bill Lamberth 8:00  
 Mr. Goebel 9:30/11:00

**The Lord Jesus,**  
 by His perfect obedience and sacrifice of Himself—  
 which He through the eternal Spirit once offered up to God—  
 has fully satisfied the justice of His Father.  
**He purchased not only reconciliation**  
 but also an everlasting inheritance  
 in the Kingdom of heaven  
 for all those whom the Father has given to Him.

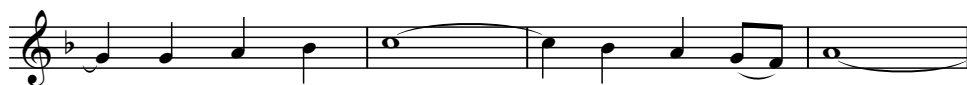
*Westminster Confession of Faith, 8.5*



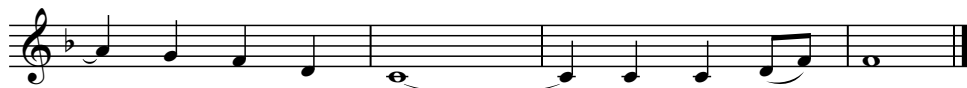
1. Je - sus, Thou joy \_\_\_\_\_ of lov - ing hearts, \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. We taste Thee, O \_\_\_\_\_ Thou liv - ing bread, \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. Our rest - less spir - - its yearn for Thee, \_\_\_\_\_  
 4. O Je - sus, ev - - er with us stay, \_\_\_\_\_



— Thou fount of life, \_\_\_\_\_ Thou light of \_\_\_\_\_ men, \_\_\_\_\_  
 — and long to feast \_\_\_\_\_ up - on Thee still; \_\_\_\_\_  
 — where - e'er our change - ful lot is \_\_\_\_\_ cast; \_\_\_\_\_  
 — make all our mo - - ments calm and bright; \_\_\_\_\_



from the best bliss \_\_\_\_\_ that earth im - parts \_\_\_\_\_  
 we drink of Thee, \_\_\_\_\_ the foun - tain - head, \_\_\_\_\_  
 glad when Thy gra - - cious smile we see, \_\_\_\_\_  
 chase the dark night \_\_\_\_\_ of sin a - way, \_\_\_\_\_



we turn un - filled \_\_\_\_\_ to Thee a - gain.  
 and thirst our souls \_\_\_\_\_ from Thee to \_\_\_\_\_ fill.  
 blest when our faith \_\_\_\_\_ can hold Thee fast.  
 shed o'er the world \_\_\_\_\_ Thy ho - ly \_\_\_\_\_ light.

## Sacrament of Baptism

9:30/11:00

### Parental Vows

1. Do you acknowledge your children's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God's covenant promises on their behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for their salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your children to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before them a godly example, that you will pray with and for them, that you will teach them the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

### Congregational Vow

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting these parents in the Christian nurture of their children?

9:30

11:00

Howard Lacy Armistead V  
 Olivia Frances Bills  
 Sadie McKenzie Calvillo  
 Frances Rosemary McNeely

John Ward Guerrero  
 Annie Alden Quiros  
 William James Thweatt  
 Rosie Grace Thweatt

## Prayer for the Families

9:30/11:00

### \*Hymn

9:30/11:00

“Jesus Loves Me, This I Know”

*JESUS LOVES ME*

Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so;  
Little ones to Him belong, they are weak but He is strong.  
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

### Public Confession of Sin

Mr. Lamberth 8:00

Mr. Goebel 9:30/11:00

Our God and Father,  
when we behold Your Son Jesus,  
we see Your great love for us,  
for You sent Your one and only Son into the world  
to die for sinners,  
so that whoever believes in Him would have eternal life.

Since You have given Your Son,  
we can say with the apostle Paul,  
“how will You not also with Christ graciously give us all things?”

Yet, Father, our appetite for things of secondary  
or even of no importance fills our lives  
with longings that You never intended us to have.

Our love and devotion to our possessions  
and our pleasures  
reveal again  
our true need for Jesus.

Lord, would You please give us Christ:  
fill our hearts with desire to know Him,  
to love Him,  
to serve and follow Him;  
fill our mouths with words to honor Him  
and proclaim Him;  
give us His presence to guide us in wisdom,  
to give peace to our troubled souls,  
to guard and protect our ways;  
grant us His grace and favor to forgive our sins,  
and to bring us to glory.

### Private Confession

### Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

Seek the LORD while He may be found; call upon Him while He is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that He may have compassion on him, and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.

Isaiah 55.6-7

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

## Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Lamberth 8:00

Mr. Goebel 9:30/11:00

*In addition to giving via passed offering plates, you are also welcome to give online at [pcpc.org/give](http://pcpc.org/give) or text “give” to 214-833-7724.*

## Musical Offering

8:00

“O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go”  
Mr. Nielson, *piano*

ST. MARGARET

9:30/11:00

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”  
Stephen Nielson and Nathan Davy, *piano*

arr. Howard Helvey

## \*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: John 6.47-71

Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life.

<sup>48</sup> I am the Bread of Life.

<sup>49</sup> Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died.

<sup>50</sup> This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die.

<sup>51</sup> I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is My flesh.”

<sup>52</sup> The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this Man give us His flesh to eat?”

<sup>53</sup> So Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in you.

- <sup>54</sup> *Whoever feeds on My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.*
- <sup>55</sup> *For My flesh is true food, and My blood is true drink.*
- <sup>56</sup> *Whoever feeds on My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me, and I in him.*
- <sup>57</sup> *As the living Father sent Me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on Me, he also will live because of Me.*
- <sup>58</sup> *This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like the bread the fathers ate, and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever."*
- <sup>59</sup> *Jesus said these things in the synagogue, as He taught at Capernaum.*
- <sup>60</sup> *When many of His disciples heard it, they said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?"*
- <sup>61</sup> *But Jesus, knowing in Himself that His disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, "Do you take offense at this?"*
- <sup>62</sup> *Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where He was before?*
- <sup>63</sup> *It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is no help at all. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life.*
- <sup>64</sup> *But there are some of you who do not believe."* (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray Him.)
- <sup>65</sup> *And He said, "This is why I told you that no one can come to Me unless it is granted him by the Father."*
- <sup>66</sup> *After this many of His disciples turned back and no longer walked with Him.*
- <sup>67</sup> *So Jesus said to the twelve, "Do you want to go away as well?"*
- <sup>68</sup> *Simon Peter answered Him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life,*
- <sup>69</sup> *and we have believed, and have come to know, that You are the Holy One of God."*
- <sup>70</sup> *Jesus answered them, "Did I not choose you, the twelve? And yet one of you is a devil."*
- <sup>71</sup> *He spoke of Judas the son of Simon Iscariot, for he, one of the twelve, was going to betray Him.*

## Sermon

"True Food and True Drink" The Rev. Robby Higginbottom

*Worshippers 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!

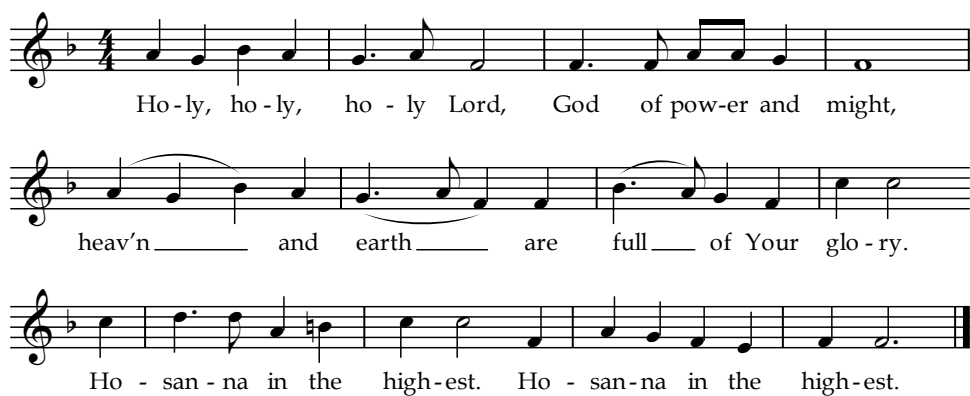
**People: We lift them up to the Lord!**

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**

**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**

**"He Will Hold Me Fast"**

*Matt Merker*





*Refrain*

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;  
for my Sav-ior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

### \*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.

### Postlude

8:00

“The God of Abraham Praise”  
Mr. Nielson, *piano*

LEONI

9:30/11:00

“Toccata” from *Le Tombeau de Couperin*  
Dr. Davy, *organ*

Maurice Ravel

*\*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.**

## **SERMON NOTES**

John 6.47-71

“True Food and True Drink”

## 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. Why did people follow Jesus in John 6? (vv. 2, 14-15, 26) Why do people follow Jesus in our own day?
2. What does Jesus mean when He says that He is “true food” and “true drink”? (v. 55)
3. When we're not feasting on Jesus, what is our “food” and “drink”?
4. Why are eating and drinking helpful metaphors for life in Christ?
5. How does this chapter highlight the sovereignty of God in our salvation? (vv. 37, 39-40, 44, 63, 65)
6. Why is Jesus' teaching hard to hear? Why do some people walk away? (vv. 60, 66)
7. How does Peter's statement reflect the heart of a disciple? (vv. 68-69)

# Highlights

FEBRUARY 16, 2025

## 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](http://pcpc.org/connect)



## Men's Solitude Saturdays

*Saturday, February 22*

9:00-11:30 A.M. | GRAND HALL

Looking for intentional quiet time with Jesus? Join other men for a break from the world to sit at our Lord's feet, pray, and meditate on Scripture.

[pcpc.org/men](http://pcpc.org/men)

## Commissioning & Mailings

*Sunday, February 23*

12:30 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Celebrate the commissioning of Home Church Missionaries Leah & Will Peters to RUF-I at SMU along with Home Church Missionary, Ben Hamner to Italy. We will also bless our other missionaries through writing notes of encouragement. Lunch will be provided, donations appreciated.

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

## Organ Concert

*Sunday, February 23*

7:00 P.M. | SANCTUARY

Dr. Nathan Davy presents masterworks for the organ for all ages, including pieces by J. S. Bach, Cesar Franck, Sergei Rachmaninoff, and Maurice Ravel. No tickets required. Dessert reception to follow.

[pcpcconcerts.org](http://pcpcconcerts.org)

## The Bridge Luncheon

*Tuesday, February 25*

12:00 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Join us for The Bridge lunchtime event with women of all ages. We will hear from Caroline Hunt on how Christ moved in her life. Lunch is \$5. Childcare is available.

[pcpc.org/women](http://pcpc.org/women)

## Made for More

*April 4-5*

Women, join us for this multi-generational, PCA conference at PCPC. Come explore how God made us for more because of our creation design, gospel identity, and inter-generational friendships.

[pcpc.org/women](http://pcpc.org/women)



## Special Events at PCPC

*Harbor of Hope*

TUESDAYS | 6:45 P.M. | OAK LAWN WEST

*Preschool Song & Story*

FRIDAY, FEB. 21 | 10:00 A.M. | KIDS CHAPEL

*The Gathering (High School)*

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 26 | 7:15 P.M.

*Young Adult Night of Worship*

THURSDAY, FEB. 27 | 7:00 P.M.

*Men's Golf Scramble*

FRIDAY, MAR. 28 | 7:00 A.M.

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## GENERAL FUND

2024/2025 Operating Budget	\$17,200,000
Jul 1, 2024–Feb 9, 2025 Budget	\$11,815,696
Jul 1, 2024–Feb 9, 2025 Giving	\$11,477,628
Budget Variance	(\$338,068)