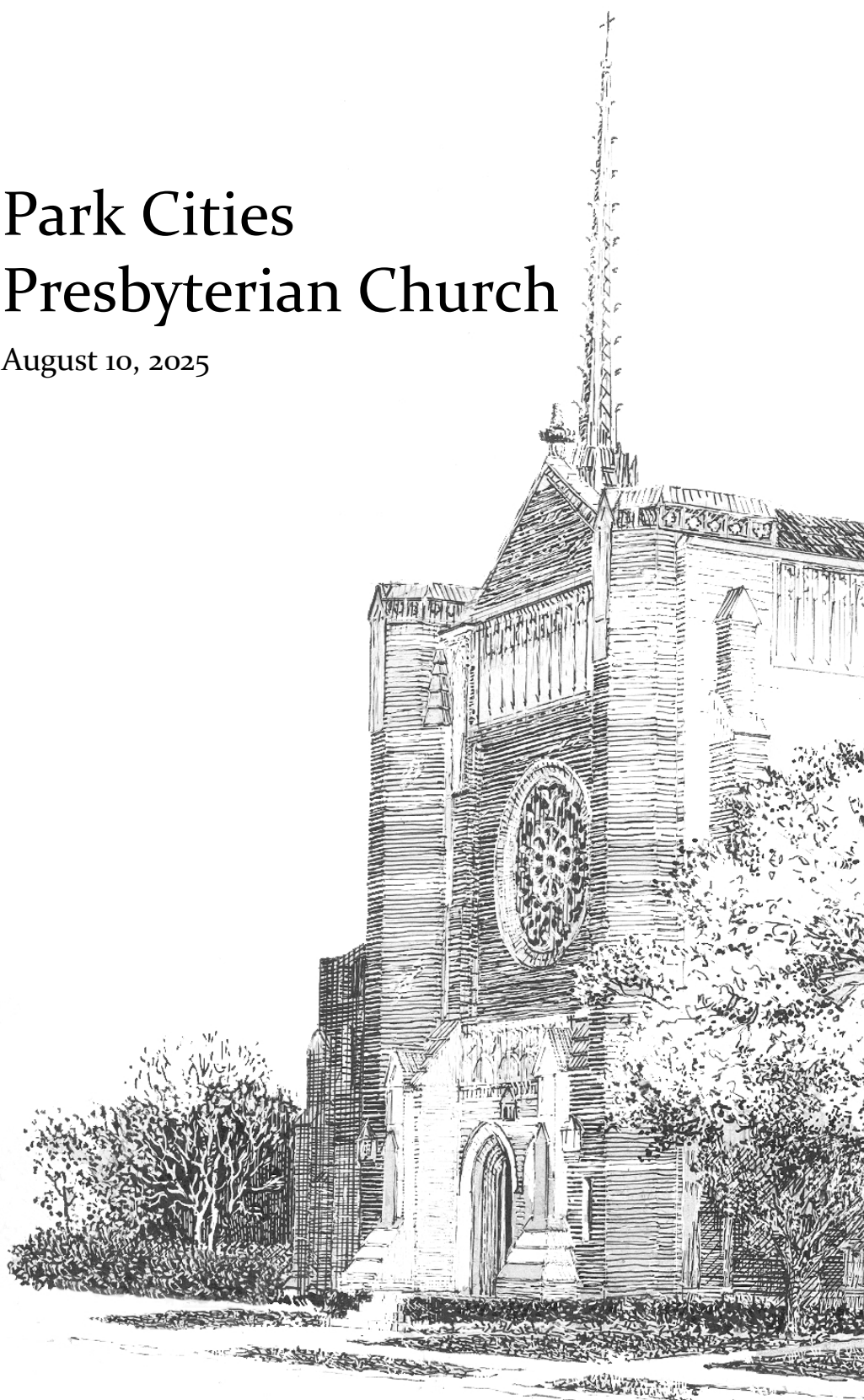


Park Cities Presbyterian Church

August 10, 2025



*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

August 10, 2025
8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Robby Higginbottom 8:00
The Rev. Mark Davis 9:30/11:00

The Prelude

8:00

“God Is Here!”
Stephen Nielson, *piano*

ABBOT'S LEIGH

9:30/11:00

“I Am Resolved”
PCPC Men's Ensemble • Stephen Nielson, *piano*

arr. Coleman

*I am resolved no longer to linger, charmed by the world's delight; things that are
higher, things that are nobler, Jesus has filled my sight. I will hasten to Him,
hasten so glad and free; Jesus, greatest, highest, He has come to me.
I am resolved to go to the Savior, leaving my sin and strife; He is the true One,
He is the just One, He hath the words of life.
I am resolved to follow the Savior, faithful He leads each day; hear what He
sayeth, go where He calleth, He is the living way. He has hastened to me,
hastened so glad and free; Jesus, greatest, highest, He has come to me.*

*Call to Worship

Minister: Praise the LORD!

People: Praise the LORD, O my soul!

Minister: I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

**People: Put not your trust in princes,
in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.**

Minister: Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob,
whose hope is in the LORD his God.

**People: The LORD will reign forever, your God,
O Zion, to all generations. Praise the LORD!**

Psalms 146.1-3, 5, 10

Melody 1. Re - joice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King a - dore!
 Harmony 2. Je - sus, the Sav - ior reigns, the God of truth and love;
 Harmony 3. His king - dom can - not fail, He rules o'er earth and heav'n;
 Harmony 4. He sits at God's right hand till all His foes sub - mit,
 Melody 5. Re - joice in glo - rious hope! Our Lord and judge shall come

Re - joice, give thanks and sing, and tri - umph ev - er - more:
 when He had purged our stains He took His seat a - bove:
 the keys of death and hell are to our Je - sus giv'n:
 and bow to His com - mand, and fall be - neath His feet.
 and take His ser - vants up to their e - ter - nal home:

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Re-joyce, a-gain I say, re - joice!

*Prayer of Adoration

*Profession of Faith

The Rev. Sam Leopold

I believe that the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
 who out of nothing created heaven and earth
 and everything in them,
 who still upholds and rules them
 by His eternal counsel and providence,
 is my God and Father
 because of Christ His Son.

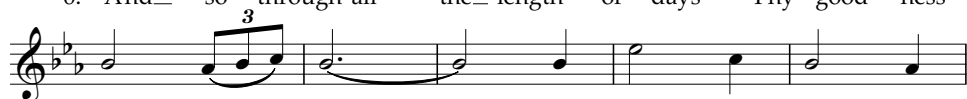
I trust Him so much that I do not doubt
 He will provide whatever I need
 for body and soul,
 and He will turn to my good
 whatever adversity He sends me
 in this sad world.

He is able to do this because He is Almighty God;
 He desires to do this because He is a faithful Father.

from Heidelberg Catechism, No. 26



1. The___ King of love my_ Shep - herd is, whose good - ness
 2. Where_ streams of liv - ing_ wat - er flow my_ ran - somed
 3. Per___ verse and fool - ish___ oft I strayed, but_ yet in
 4. In___ death's dark vale I___ fear no ill with Thee, dear
 5. Thou_ spread'st a ta - ble_ in my sight, Thy unc - tion
 6. And_ so through all the_ length of days Thy good - ness



fail - eth___ nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 soul He___ lead - eth, and where the ver - dant
 love He___ sought me, and on His should - er
 Lord, be - side me; Thy rod and staff me
 grace be - stow - eth: and O what trans - port
 fail - eth___ nev - er; good Shep - herd, may I



I am His and He is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing brought me.
 com - fort still, Thy cross be - fore to guide me.
 of de - light from Thy pure chal - ice flow - eth!
 sing Thy praise with - in Thy house for - ev - er.

Public Confession of Sin

Mr. Leopold

Our God and Father,

**we praise You that there is therefore now no condemnation
 for those who are in Christ Jesus!**

In Christ You have given us living water,

**freeing us from the slavery of sin,
 and springing up to eternal life;
 our cups run over with Your blessing!**

Yet, our gracious Father,

we confess that we have returned to the well of sin again and again.

Though it reaps no reward, and doesn't quench our thirst,

**we are deeply allured by its taste,
 though its sweetness turns to the deepest bitterness.**

**Our God, nothing short of Your Divine help will save us from the
 presence of sin in our lives.**

Nothing but Your mercy and grace

can remove the pains of guilt we feel so deeply.

Be pleased, Lord, to separate us from sin and make us more like Jesus.

By feeding on His Body and Blood by faith,

may we taste and see that You are good.

Grow us in grace that we may say, with Christ,

that our food is to do the will of our Father in heaven.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

You have turned for me my mourning into dancing; You have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness, that my glory may sing Your praise and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks to You forever! Psalm 30.11-12

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

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Leopold

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

“The Lord’s My Shepherd”
Mr. Nielson, *piano*

BROTHER JAMES’ AIR

9:30/11:00

“Be Strong in the Lord”
PCPC Men’s Ensemble • Mr. Nielson, *piano*

Johnson/Fettke

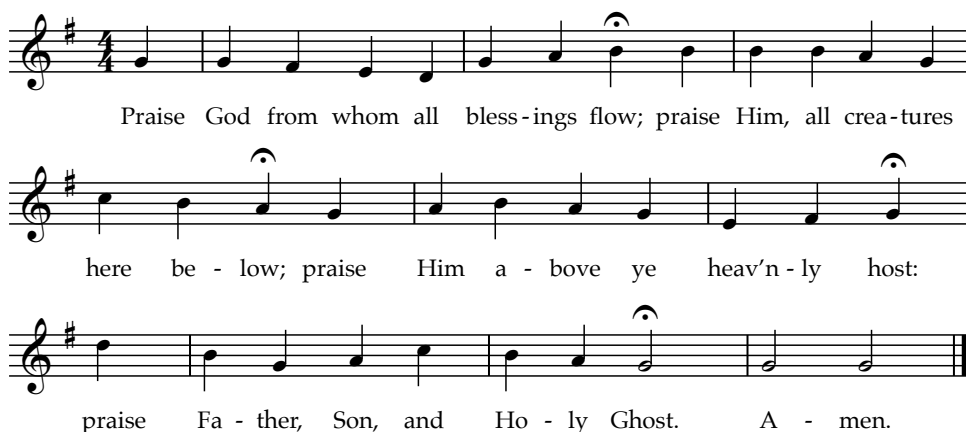
Be strong in the Lord, and be of good courage; your defender is He who is always the same. Mount up with wings as the eagle ascending; vict'ry is sure when you call on His name. Be strong in the Lord and be of good courage for He is your guide. Be strong and rejoice for the vict'ry is yours.

Put on the armour the Lord has provided; place your defense in His unfailing care. Trust Him for He will be with you in battle, lighting your path to avoid ev'ry snare.

Be strong in the Lord and be of good courage; your mighty Commander will vanquish the foe. Fear not the battle, for the vict'ry is always His; He will protect you wherever you go.

*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: John 15.8-16.3**

"By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be My disciples.

⁹ As the Father has loved Me, so have I loved you. Abide in My love.

¹⁰ If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love.

¹¹ These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

¹² "This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

¹³ Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.

¹⁴ You are My friends if you do what I command you.

¹⁵ No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from My Father I have made known to you.

¹⁶ You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in My name, He may give it to you.

¹⁷ These things I command you, so that you will love one another.

¹⁸ "If the world hates you, know that it has hated Me before it hated you.

¹⁹ If you were of the world, the world would love you as its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you.

²⁰ Remember the word that I said to you: 'A servant is not greater than his master.' If they persecuted Me, they will also persecute you. If they kept My word, they will also keep yours.

²¹ But all these things they will do to you on account of My name, because they do not know Him who sent Me.

²² If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not have been guilty of sin, but now they have no excuse for their sin.

²³ Whoever hates Me hates My Father also.

²⁴ If I had not done among them the works that no one else did, they would not be guilty of sin, but now they have seen and hated both Me and My Father.

²⁵ But the word that is written in their Law must be fulfilled: 'They hated Me without a cause.'

²⁶ "But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, He will bear witness about Me.

²⁷ And you also will bear witness, because you have been with Me from the beginning.

^{16.1} I have said all these things to you to keep you from falling away.

² They will put you out of the synagogues. Indeed, the hour is coming when whoever kills you will think he is offering service to God.

³ And they will do these things because they have not known the Father, nor Me."

Sermon

"Chosen and Hated"

Mr. Higginbottom 8:00

Mr. Davis 9:30/11:00

*The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

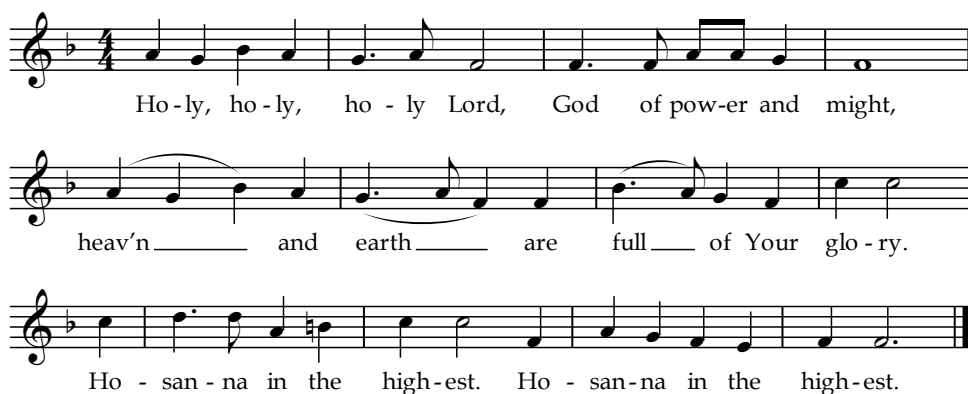
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

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:



*Communion Prayer

*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.*

"Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery"

Boswell/Papa



1. Come be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, in the dawn - ing
2. Come be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, He, the per - fect
3. Come be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, Christ, the Lord up -
4. Come be - hold the won-drous mys - t'ry, slain by death, the



of the King. He, the theme of heav-en's prais - es, robed in
 Son of Man in His liv - ing, in His suf - f'ring, nev - er
 on the tree. In the stead of ruined — sin - ners, hangs the
 God of life. But no grave could e'er re - strain Him, praise the



frail hu - man - i - ty. In our long - ing, in our dark - ness,
 trace nor stain of sin. See the true and bet - ter A - dam,
 Lamb in vic - tor - y. See the price of our re - demp - tion,
 Lord: He is a - live. What a fore - taste of de - liv - 'rance,



now the light of life has come. Look to Christ, who
 come to save the hell - bound man. Christ, the great and
 see the Fa - ther's plan un - fold. Bring - ing ma - ny
 how un - wa - ver - ing our hope. Christ, in pow - er,



con - de - scend - ed, took on flesh to ran - som us.
 sure ful - fill - ment of the law in Him we stand.
 sons to Glo - ry, grace un - mea - sured, love un - told.
 res - ur - rect - ed, as will we be when He comes.

"Land of Rest"

George Shearing

Dr. Nathan Davy, organ

*Closing Hymn

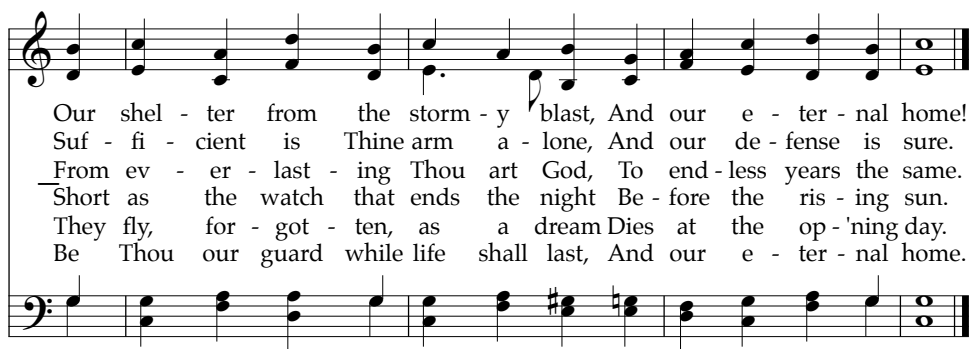
"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

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.

*The Benediction

Minister: The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face to shine
 upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up His countenance
 upon you and give you peace. Numbers 6.24-26

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Postlude

8:00

“The Day You Gave Us, Lord”
 Mr. Nielson, *piano*

ST. CLEMENT

9:30/11:00

“Allegro” from *Concerto in C major*
 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.

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

Mica Rae Palmer
 Bertrand “Bert” Lloyd Ehrmann, Jr.
 Diane Blake Purnell
 William “Bill” Murphy Harter
 Dr. Bennie B. Scott



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 15.8-16.3
“Chosen and Hated”

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 mean to abide in Christ's love?
2. What is the sign that we are abiding in Christ?
3. What is His call to His disciples regarding love and how does He describe the greatest love?
4. How does the disciples' identity change according to this passage? How is this true also for us?
5. What does He appoint the disciples to do? (15.16)
6. How will the world respond to the disciples as they abide in Christ?
7. What does Jesus mean by the "world" in this teaching?
8. How have you experienced hatred from the world?
9. What hope does this passage give you for enduring the hatred of the world?

Highlights

AUGUST 10, 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 with others in our church family, 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



Author Alan Noble

Wednesday, August 13

7:00 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL C

Join us for a brief lecture and Q&A with author Alan Noble, where he will discuss his book, *You Are Not Your Own*. All are welcome! Light snacks will be provided. No registration required.

pcpc.org/events

Bible Studies

Connect with one another this fall at PCPC! Be sure to find a weekday Bible study or care group for couples, women, men, children, and youth beginning September 9-11. Register online.

pcpc.org/events

Women's Night of Worship

Wednesday, August 27

7:00 P.M. | CHAPEL

We will pray for our church, our city, and the world, and we will glorify God through singing His praises. We hope you can join us for this time to begin the fall season.

pcpc.org/women



Men's Night of Worship

Thursday, August 28

7:30 P.M. | SANCTUARY

We're excited to have another Men's Night of Worship to kick off the fall season at PCPC. Join us for dinner in Fellowship Hall at 6:30 p.m. (registration required) and a time of worship and prayer in the Sanctuary (no registration).

pcpc.org/men



Chancel Choir

The Chancel Choir for adults sings weekly at our 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship services, concerts, and special services. Please join us for rehearsals on Wednesdays from 7:00-9:00 p.m. beginning August 20.

pcpc.org/music/choirs

Middle School Fall Retreat

October 3-5

SKY RANCH | VAN, TEXAS

Fall Retreat is a weekend trip for 6th-8th graders designed to help students go deeper in their relationship with Jesus and with each other. It is an opportunity to get away from typical routines and make memories, have fun, and build friendships. Register today!

pcpc.org/events

2025 Fall Guide

Pick up a copy in the Grand Hall, scan this QR code, or download the guide online!

pcpc.org/guide



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Scan QR code for pcpc.org/give/, and read PCPC's biblical Principles of Stewardship.



Download the PCPC App with iOS or Android device to give online (including setting up recurring gifts).

GENERAL FUND

2025/2026 Operating Budget	\$17,500,000
Jul 1, 2025–August 3, 2025 Budget	\$1,284,672
Jul 1, 2025–August 3, 2025 Giving	\$1,997,531
Budget Variance	\$712,859