



*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

March 1, 2026

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

March 1, 2026  
8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

## *Second Sunday of Lent*

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Robby Higginbottom

### \*Call to Worship

Minister: LORD, You have been our dwelling place in all generations.

**People: Before the mountains were brought forth,  
or ever You had formed the earth and the world,  
from everlasting to everlasting You are God.**

Minister: Teach us to number our days

**People: that we may get a heart of wisdom.**

Minister: Return, O LORD! How long?

**People: Have pity on Your servants!**

Minister: Satisfy us in the morning with Your steadfast love,

**People: that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.** Psalm 90.1-2, 12-14

### \*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

He is the image of the invisible God,  
 the firstborn of all creation.  
 For by Him all things were created,  
 in heaven and on earth,  
 visible and invisible,  
 whether thrones  
 or dominions, or rulers, or authorities—  
 all things were created through Him and for Him.  
 And He is before all things,  
 and in Him all things hold together.  
 And He is the head of the body, the church.  
 He is the beginning,  
 the firstborn from the dead,  
 that in everything He might be preminent.  
 For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,  
 and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things,  
 whether on earth or in heaven,  
 making peace by the blood of His cross.

Colossians 1.15-20

\*Hymn

“Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery”

Papa/Boswell



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.

O God, we rejoice in the perfections of Your Word,  
 that in the Scriptures You have revealed Your love for us  
 in Jesus Christ and how we might love You in return.  
 Lord, we confess that what we know  
 and how we live don't always line up.  
 We say we believe,  
 we say we trust,  
 and yet our actions reveal our true selves before You.  
 Have mercy on our wandering hearts,  
 and pity on our weakness.  
 Take us to the place where we can see  
 that without You we can do nothing.  
 Teach us not only to know Your Word,  
 but how to live and die by it.  
 May Your Spirit illumine our lives,  
 and lead us in paths of righteousness for Your name's sake.

## Private Confession

## Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

Who is a God like You, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of His inheritance? He does not retain His anger forever, because He delights in steadfast love. He will again have compassion on us; He will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea.

Micah 7:18-19

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

**Musical Acclamation**      "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"      *arr. J.A.C. Redford*  
 9:30/11:00      Christopher Adkins, cello • Stephen Nielson, piano

**\*Hymn of Response**      "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"      *FAITHFULNESS*

Par-don for sin and a peace that en - dur-eth, Thine own dear  
 pres-ence to cheer and to guide, strength for to - day and bright  
 hope for to - mor-row, bles-sings all mine with ten thou-sand be-side!

*Refrain*

Great is Thy faith-ful-ness! Great is Thy faith-ful-ness! Morn-ing by  
 morn-ing new mer-cies I see: all I have need-ed Thy  
 hand hath pro-vid-ed— great is Thy faith-ful-ness, Lord, un-to me!

## Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Overton

*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

"What Wondrous Love Is This"  
 Mr. Nielson, piano

WONDRIOUS LOVE  
 arr. S. Nielson

9:30/11:00

"Love Never Fails"  
 Covenant Choir • Chancel Choir  
 Christopher Adkins, cello • Nathan Davy, piano  
 J. Marty Cope and Katie Haring, directors

J.A.C. Redford

*If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal.*

*If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing.*

*If I give all I possess to the poor and surrender my body to the flames, but have not love, I gain nothing.*

*Love is patient, love is kind, love leaves envy far behind, never boastful, proud or rude, love rejoices with the truth. Slow to anger, stores no wrongs, love will never seek its own. Love does not delight in sin. It bears all things, believes all things, love hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails.*

*Prophecies someday will cease, as for tongues they will be stilled. Knowledge, it will pass away, yet love remains, it hopes all things, believes all things, endures all things. Love never fails.*

**\*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: Ephesians 1.7-10**

*In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace,  
<sup>8</sup> which He lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight  
<sup>9</sup> making known to us the mystery of His will, according to His purpose, which He set forth in Christ  
<sup>10</sup> as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in Him, things in heaven and things on earth.*

**Sermon**

“The Mystery of His Will”

Mr. 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!

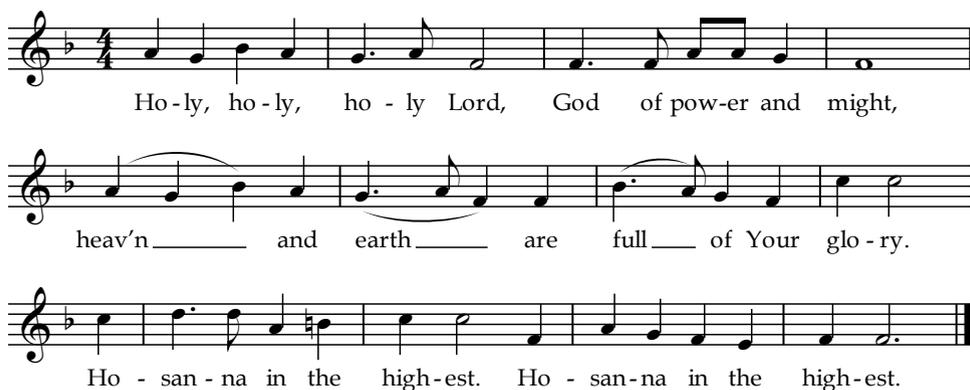
**People: We lift them up to the Lord!**

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:**



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.

Minister: Holy and Gracious God,

**People: We do not come to Your Table trusting in our righteousness, but resting in Your abundant grace and rich mercy. Help us, O Holy Spirit, to earnestly examine our repentance, love, and new obedience that we may partake worthily. Amen.**

**\*The Words of Institution 8:00**

**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.*



1. This is my Fa-ther’s world, and to my lis - t’ning ears, all  
 2. This is my Fa-ther’s world, the birds their car - ols raise, the  
 3. This is my Fa-ther’s world, O — let me ne’er for - get that



na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres.  
 morn - ing light, the li - ly white, de - clare their Mak - er’s praise.  
 though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is — the Rul - er yet.



This is my Fa-ther’s world: I — rest me in the thought of —  
 This is my Fa-ther’s world: He shines in all that’s fair; in the  
 This is my Fa-ther’s world: the bat - tle is not done; Je -



rocks and trees of — skies and seas; His hand the won - ders wrought.  
 rus - tling grass I — hear Him pass, He speaks to me ev - ery - where.  
 sus who died shall be sat - is - fied, and earth and heav’n be — one.

\*The Benediction

Minister: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. 2 Corinthians 13.14

People: **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

The Postlude

8:00

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”  
 Mr. Nielson, *piano*

ST. THEODULPH

9:30/11:00

“Toccata”  
 Dr. Davy, *organ*

Gaston Belier

\*Please stand if you are able.

*The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God  
and in loving memory of Caroline from her sister, Meredith.*

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

### **Session**

|  |                                  |
|--|----------------------------------|
| John Bateman                                     | Ben Moffitt                      |
| The Rev. Mark Davis,<br><i>Moderator</i>         | Jim Morris, Jr.,<br><i>Clerk</i> |
| Jack Denman, Jr.                                 | David Newman                     |
| Don Dillahunty                                   | Rick Owens                       |
| The Rev. Paul Goebel,<br><i>Associate Pastor</i> | Kirk Pogoloff                    |
| Lance Gurley                                     | Dennis Roossien                  |
| Houston Hunt                                     | Greg Russell                     |
| Tim Jeffress                                     | John Ward                        |
| Bob McCamey                                      | Randy Wood                       |

**SERMON NOTES**

Ephesians 1.7-10  
“The Mystery of His Will”

## 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. How does God bless His people in the past, present, and future?  
(Ephesians 1.3-10)
2. What does Paul mean by the word "mystery"? (v. 9)
3. What is "the mystery of His will" in this passage? (v. 10)
4. How is God's Old Testament revelation like scaffolding around a building?  
What do we see in the New Testament when the scaffolding is removed?
5. How do we see things falling apart in our lives and in the world around us?
6. How do we see God uniting all things in Christ?
7. If we know God's ultimate plan for all things, how does that help us in our daily lives?

# Highlights

MARCH 1, 2026

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

## Lenten Organ Series

*Tuesdays now until March 24*

12:00 P.M. | SANCTUARY

Prepare for Holy Week and Easter as you enjoy these 30-minute noon concerts each Tuesday during Lent. Upcoming organists include Ahreum Han Congdon, J. Marty Cope, Owen Reid, and Nathan Davy.

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

## 60+ Community

*Friday, March 6*

11:30 A.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

“Mining the Gems of Christian Counseling” with Pat Hobin - Christian counseling offers a unique blend of biblical wisdom and truth, guiding individuals toward wholeness and lasting transformation through the grace of Christ. Make your reservation by March 3.

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

## Parish Prayer

*Sunday, March 8*

4:00 P.M. | GATHER IN HOMES

Parish prayer meetings give our church family an opportunity to gather in homes around the city to pray for one another, our church, and the world. Details and registration are available online.

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

## The Bridge: What's Her Story?

*Tuesday, March 10*

12:00 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Women of all ages are invited to gather for lunch, fellowship, and to hear Markay Deison share her story of God's faithfulness. Childcare is available with a reservation. Please bring \$5 for lunch.

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

## Vacation Bible School

Get ready to hit the slopes with us from June 2-5 at PCPC VBS 2026: Rescue Mountain! This year's ski-theme is based on Luke 19:10, “For the Son of Man came to SEEK and to SAVE the lost.” Volunteer registration opens March 4. General registration opens March 25.

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

## Family Camp

Camp is a great place for PCPC families to come together under the shepherding of one of our pastors for a week in Colorado at Sky Ranch Ute Trail. Available July 12-18 & 19-25.

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

## Special Events

*Holy Week at PCPC*

MAR. 29-APR. 5

*ENCOUNTER:*

*Women's Worship & Prayer Gathering*

FRIDAY-SATURDAY, APR. 17-18 | REGISTER ONLINE

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



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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-Feb 22, 2026 Budget \$12,545,998

Jul 1, 2025-Feb 22, 2026 Giving \$15,284,743

Budget Variance \$2,738,745