



ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

December 17, 2006
8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am

The Christian Year: Second Sunday before the Incarnation

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.

*Please turn off all communication devices.
Please do not bring food or drinks into the sanctuary.
Thank you.*

Welcome

Mr. Bert Ehrmann, *Elder* 8:00
Mr. E.E. (Boots) Nowlin 9:30/11:00

Preparation for Worship

Call to Worship

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00
The Rev. Bill Lamberth 9:30/11:00

Minister: How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."

People: The voice of your watchmen — they lift up their voice; together they sing for joy; for eye to eye they see the return of the LORD to Zion.

Minister: Break forth together into singing, you waste places of Jerusalem, for the LORD has comforted His people; He has redeemed Jerusalem.

People: The LORD has bared His holy arm before the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

Isaiah 52.7-10

***Hymn of Praise No. 214 "Angels We Have Heard on High"**

GLORIA

***Prayer of Adoration concluding with Public Confession**

If we look at our own lives, we must confess the mixture of giving and selfishness, our waiting on the Lord turned into an endless rush, our missing the mark of Advent. Lord, forgive our frantic ways and misplaced efforts. But we can also trust in God, who still brings salvation, who still supplies us strength, who hears our songs of gratitude, who accepts our joyful praise. Let us all draw water from the wells of salvation. Let us shout it in the church and in town: "The Lord's great name will still be praised. His saving deeds support our lives. His greatness still astounds us. The Holy One of Israel is among us. Praise the Lord and sing for joy. Amen."

***Confession of Faith**

Heidelberg Catechism, Q's 35-36

Minister: What is the meaning of these words from the Apostles' Creed, "He was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary?"

People: That God's eternal Son, who is, and continues true and eternal God, took upon Him the very nature of man, of the flesh and blood of the virgin Mary, by the operation of the Holy Spirit; that He might also be the true seed of David, like unto His brethren in all things, sin excepted.

Minister: What profit do you receive by Christ's holy conception and nativity?

People: That He is our Mediator, and with His innocence and perfect holiness, covers in the sight of God, our sins, wherein we were conceived and brought forth.

***Hymn of Praise** "Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending"

HELMSLEY

The Sacrament of Baptism

The Rev. Mark Davis 9:30
Mr. Lamberth 11:00

9:30
Gabrielle Leonora Crafton
Westbrook Davis Loukas

11:00
Caleb Spencer Benson
John David Copeland III
Kenley K. Sribounheuang

Prayer for the Families

Mr. Brad Bradley 9:30
Mr. Bob Heinonen 11:00
Ruling Elders

Song of Praise No. 205

“Away in a Manger”

CRADLE SONG

9:30/11:00

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Williams 8:00
Mr. Davis 9:30
The Rev. Patrick Lafferty 11:00

Musical Offering

8:00

“Away in a Manger”
Mr. Colin Howland, *Organ*

arr. Chapman

9:30/11:00

“Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing Day”
Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, *Director*

John Gardner

*Tomorrow shall be my dancing day; I would my true love did so chance to see
the legend of my play, to call my true love to my dance;*

*Sing, oh! my love, oh! my love, my love, my love, my love, this have I done for my true
love!*

*Then was I born of a virgin pure, of her I took fleshly substance; thus was I knit
to man’s nature to call my true love to my dance.*

*In a manger laid, and wrapped I was so very poor, this was my chance betwixt
an ox and a silly poor ass to call my true love to my dance.*

*Then afterwards baptized I was; the Holy Ghost on me did glance; My Father’s
voice heard from above, to call my true love to my dance.*

*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: We are the body of Christ; in one Spirit we were all baptized in
one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds
up our common life. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **And also with you.**

The Service of Friendship

*If you are seated on the left end of the pew, please take the Service of Friendship pad,
fill out the information and pass it down. When it arrives at the other end
of the pew, pass it back, taking note of those who are seated in your row.*

Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death He might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵ and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. ¹⁶ For surely it is not angels that He helps, but He helps the offspring of Abraham. ¹⁷ Therefore He had to be made like His brothers in every respect, so that He might become a merciful and faithful High Priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. ¹⁸ For because He Himself has suffered when tempted, He is able to help those who are being tempted.

Morning Sermon

“Spittin’ Image”

Dr. Wilson Benton

Senior Minister

Kirk of the Hills Presbyterian Church

St. Louis, Missouri

Worshippers at 9:30 and 11:00, continue on page 5

The Great Thanksgiving

Mr. Williams

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:

Please stand.

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.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Blessing

Mr. Williams

*The Words of Institution

The Communion

*Please come forward down the center aisle.
Partake of the elements upon receiving them from the elders.
Return to your seat with your empty cup via the side aisle.*

During the Serving of Communion

Please use the following Scripture for private meditation.

Isaiah 40.1-8

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins. A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken."

A voice says, "Cry!" And I said, "What shall I cry?" All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades when the breath of the Lord blows on it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.

Worshippers at 9:30 and 11:00, continue here

***Closing Hymn No. 203** "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing" *MENDELSSOHN*

*Benediction

Minister: To Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by His blood and made us a kingdom, priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever.

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

Postlude "Praise Ye the Lord of Hosts" *Saint-Saens*
Mr. Colin Howland, *Organ*

**The congregation stands.*

Personal Prayer and Counsel

"Be devoted to one another in brotherly love; give preference to one another in honor . . . rejoicing in hope, persevering in tribulation, devoted to prayer, contributing to the needs of the saints, practicing hospitality." Romans 12.10, 12, 13

We want so much to come alongside you in brotherly love and hospitality by your allowing us to be in prayer for your salvation or any need you may have. Please join us in the Parlor (north of Fellowship Hall) following the worship service where our Elders and prayer leaders are available and eager to meet with you and pray with you in complete confidence.

**Christmas Week
Schedule of Services**

Tonight at 7:00 pm in the sanctuary

CHILD OF LIGHT,

Illumine Our Darkness

A Candlelight Christmas Concert presenting beloved

Christmas carols and Vivaldi's Gloria

Choirs, Orchestra, Congregational Singing

The Rev. Paul Settle, Host

Sunday, December 24, Christmas Eve

Morning Worship Services at 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am

*PCPC members are encouraged to come to the 8:00 am service to make
room for out of town guests and visitors at the later services.*

Family Christmas Eve Service at 5:00 pm

Traditional Christmas Eve Service at 10:00 pm

Musical prelude begins at 9:40 pm

**— Looking Ahead —
Preaching Schedule**

December 24, 2006

The Rev. Mark Davis

PCPC Assistant Minister, Youth and Family

December 31, 2006

The Rev. Tim Tinsley

PCPC Associate Minister, Disciplemaking and Evangelism

January 7, 2007

Communion in all services

January 14, 2007

The Rev. Randy Pope

Perimeter Church, Deluth, Georgia

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PASTORS

Pete Deison, *Disciplemaking*
Tim Tinsley, *Disciplemaking and Evangelism*
Rob Allen, *Administration*
Ron Williams, *60+ Community and Pastoral Care*
Mark Davis, *Youth and Family*
Bill Lamberth, *Families with Children*
Patrick Lafferty, *20+ Community*

RULING ELDERS

Session

John Bateman	John Harper	Irv Queal
Frank Bullock	John Hawkins	Tracy Taylor
Jack Denman	Jay Hohfeler	Bill Thomas
David Franklin	Kent Johnson	Steve Vanderhill
Mark Fulmer	Bill Mabus	
David Gowdey	Boots Nowlin	

Shepherding

Tommy Bain	Paul Flowers	Robert Mighell
Brad Bradley	Glenn Graham	Henry Morgan
David Burgher, Sr.	Harry Hargrave	David Newman
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Grady Crosland	Doug Horn	Frank Seay, Jr.
Charles Debter	Russell Johnson	Nelson Somerville
John Denman	Bill Jones	John Vanderveld
Curt Dobbs	Bryan Keyes	Ron Wideman
Bert Ehrmann	Don King	Steve Williamson
Bill Farrell	Mike McMahan	Arthur Wood

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Jeff Barber

MINISTERS

The members of this church family who, in serving their Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ, extend His Kingdom in Dallas and to the world.

Session/Associate Pastors

The Rev. Robert Allen	David Gowdey	Irv Queal
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	The Rev. Patrick Lafferty	

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Shepherding Elders

(Elders not currently on the Session but active in ministry at Park Cities Presbyterian Church)

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Bill Farrell	Robert Mighell	
Paul Flowers		

**Park Cities Presbyterian Church
Diaconate**

Ron Baxter	Zac Menerey
Richard Berry	Daniel Monaco
Bill Bland	Bob Morris
Dan Bowers	Bert Mueller
Travis Brewer	Tom Myers
Lee Bridgeman	Cary Newman
Travis Buster	John O'Hearn
David Carruth	Rick Owens
King Crow	Ed Parker
Phil Cruz	Russ Ramsland
Bill Davis	Scott Rohrman
Lloyd Denman	Dennis Roossien
John Edrington	Larry Sengbush
Lance Ellis	Gil Sheehan
Will Francis	Clay Smith
Mark Franklin	Bill Solomon
Jere Goostree	George Sparks
George Hanson	Dick Steele
Clanton Harrison	Bill Sutton
Darell Herbst	Walter Waldie
Harry Joe	McCord Wilson
Coy Keene	Mark Wood
Mike Kent	Blake Woodall
Jeff LaFayette	Stephen Woods, Jr.
Brent Lake	Richard Woodward
Bill McClung	
Tom McWhorter	

