



*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  
September 20, 2020

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

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## The Prelude

“Voluntary in D minor”  
Dr. Nathan Davy, *organist*

*John Stanley*

*During the Prelude, please join in silent preparation  
of heart and mind to worship our God.*

## Welcome

The Rev. Paul Goebel

## Call to Worship

“Andante”  
Stephen Nielson, *pianist* • Instrumental Ensemble

*Ola Gjeilo*

Minister: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD  
with gladness!

**People: Come into His presence with singing!**

Minister: Know that the LORD, He is God!

**People: It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, and  
the sheep of His pasture.**

Minister: Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise!

**People: Give thanks to Him; bless His name!**

Minister: For the LORD is good; His steadfast love endures forever,

**People: and His faithfulness to all generations.**

Psalm 100

## \*Hymn of Praise

“O God beyond All Praising”

*THAXTED*



1. O — God be-yond all prais-ing, we wor-ship You to-day  
2. Then hear, O gra-cious Sav-ior, ac-cept the love we bring,



and sing the love a-maz-ing that songs can-not re-pay;  
that we who know Your fa-vor may serve You as our King;



for we can on-ly won-der at ev-ery gift You send,  
and wheth-er our to-mor-rows be filled with good or ill,



at — bless - ings with - out num - ber and mer - cies with - out end:  
we'll tri - umph through our sor - rows and rise to bless You still:



we lift our hearts be - fore You and wait up - on Your word,  
to mar - vel at Your beau - ty and glo - ry in Your ways,



we hon - or and a - dore You our great and might - y Lord.  
and make a joy - ful du - ty our sac - ri - fice of praise.

**\*Prayer of Adoration**

Mr. Goebel

**Sacrament of Baptism**

**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?

9:00

11:00

Catherine Barrett Bell  
Tahlia Kalonda  
Jedaiah Mambwe Kalonda  
Ruthy Joy Pogoloff  
David Carter Ward

Liam Davis Easley  
Grace Andrews Mason  
Wellington Michael Price  
Benjamin Robert Williams

**Prayer for the Families**

Merciful God,  
 we confess that we have sinned against You  
 in thought, word, and deed,  
 by what we have done,  
 and by what we have left undone.  
 We have not loved You  
 with our whole heart and mind and strength.  
 We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
 In Your mercy forgive what we have been,  
 help us amend what we are,  
 and direct what we shall be,  
 so that we may delight in Your will  
 and walk in Your ways,  
 to the glory of Your holy name.  
 Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places. Ephesians 1.3

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

\*Hymn of Assurance      “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” HYFRYDOL



1. Love di - vine all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heav'n to  
 2. Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry  
 3. Fin - ish, then Thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less



earth come down, Fix in us Thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all Thy  
 trou - bled breast! Let us all in Thee in - her - it, let us  
 let us be; Let us see Thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown! Je - sus, Thou art all com -  
 find the prom - ised rest; Take a - way the love of  
 ly re - stored in Thee; Changed from glo - ry in - to

pas - sion, pure, un - bound - ed love Thou art; Vis - it  
 sin - ning; Al - pha and O - me - ga be; End of  
 glo - ry, 'till in heav'n we take our place, 'Till we  
 us with Thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.  
 faith, as its Be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.  
 cast our crowns be - fore Thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

**Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer**

Dr. Deison

*In lieu of giving via passed offering plates, you are welcome to place your offering in one of the wooden giving-boxes as you leave Worship. They are located near the exits. You may also give online at [pcpc.org/give](http://pcpc.org/give).*

**Musical Offering**

“Here Is Hope”

Rob Gardner

Alicia Ucciferri Iwema, *soloist* • Members of the PCPC Chancel Choir

Mr. Nielson, *pianist* • Dr. Davy, *organist* • Instrumental Ensemble

*He who healed our sorrows here was bruised and broken. He whose love no end knows here was forsaken, left all alone.*

*Here despair cries boldly, claiming this its victory. Sweeter peace enfolds me: Hope did not die here, but here was given. Here is Hope!*

*He who was rejected, He knows well my longing. He, so long expected carried our burdens, bore every sorrow. Here is Hope!*

*Here is love unbounded, here is all compassion, here is mercy founded!*

*Hope did not die here, but here was given; and ours is the victory. Here is Hope!*

**\*The Scripture Reading: Mark 1.1, 9-15 (NIV)**

*The beginning of the good news about Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God.*

<sup>9</sup> *At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan.*

<sup>10</sup> *Just as Jesus was coming up out of the water, He saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on Him like a dove.*

<sup>11</sup> *And a voice came from heaven: “You are My Son, whom I love; with You I am well pleased.”*

<sup>12</sup> *At once the Spirit sent Him out into the wilderness,*

<sup>13</sup> *and He was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. He was with the wild animals, and angels attended Him.*

<sup>14</sup> *After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God.*

<sup>15</sup> *“The time has come,” He said. “The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!”*

**The Sermon**

“The Father’s Blessing”

Mr. Goebel

**\*Closing Hymn**

"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

Townend



1. How deep the Fa - ther's love for us, how vast be - yond all  
 2. Be - hold the man u - pon the cross, my sin u - pon His  
 3. I will not boast in a - ny thing, no gifts, no pow'r, no



mea - sure, that He should give His on - ly Son to make a  
 shoul - ders; a - shamed, I hear my mock - ing voice call out a -  
 wis - dom; but I will boast in Je - sus Christ, His death and



wretch His trea - sure. How great the pain of sear - ing loss:  
 mong the scof - fers. It was my sin that held Him there  
 re - sur - rec - tion. Why should I gain from His re - ward?



the Fa - ther turns His face a - way as wounds, which mar the  
 un - til it was ac - com - plished; His dy - ing breath has  
 I can - not give an an - swer, but this I know with



Cho - sen One, bring ma - ny sons to glo - ry.  
 brought me life: I know that it is fin - ished.  
 all my heart: His wounds have paid my ran - som.

**\*The Benediction**

Mr. Goebel

Minister: Increase, O God, the spirit of neighborliness among us, that in peril we may uphold one another, in suffering tend to one another, and in homelessness, loneliness, or exile befriend one another. Grant us brave and enduring hearts that we may strengthen one another, until the disciplines and testing of these days are ended, and You again give peace in our time; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Book of Common Prayer***People: Thanks be to God! Amen.****Postlude**"Rigaudon"  
Dr. Davy, organist

Andre Campra

*\*Please stand if you are able.*

*The flowers are given in gratitude to God for Lynda Fray, who faithfully planted the Word of God deeply in the hearts and minds of the children of our church.*



**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**

Mark 1.1, 9-15 (NIV)

“The Father’s Blessing”

# Highlights

SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

EVERYONE

## Welcome

Thank you for your flexibility week to week as we work to ensure the safety of our worshippers. We appreciate you wearing your mask while you are in the building and maintaining a 6-foot safe distance between parties. Our amazing volunteers will assist you each week in knowing where to park, how best to enter the Sanctuary, and how to safely exit after the service. If you develop any symptoms related to COVID-19, we ask that you abstain from joining us in person and continue to worship with us online at [pcpc.org/live/](http://pcpc.org/live/).

## Fall Bible Studies

Fall Studies are here! You can watch the main lecture for our Women's, Men's, and Couple's studies either at [pcpc.org/studies](http://pcpc.org/studies), the PCPC mobile app, YouTube, Apple TV app, Roku app, or Amazon Fire app (search Park Cities Presbyterian Church). And it's not too late to register at [pcpc.org/events](http://pcpc.org/events). If you register, you will be added to a small group and receive a study guide. Together, let's find hope in the miracles of Jesus!

## Fall Daily Prayer Guide

Our theme is "Looking to Jesus." Join us as we read through the Gospels of Mark, Matthew, and John. We've made this Prayer Guide available through the PCPC app (download via Apple App Store or Google Play Store for free).  
[pcpc.org/resources/](http://pcpc.org/resources/)

## Online Giving

Prayer & Offering boxes are always available at the doors of the Sanctuary, and we have a secure website and PCPC App with iOS or Android device where you can give online (including setting up recurring gifts). Please take advantage of this act of worship as the Lord provides and as He leads.  
[pcpc.org/give/](http://pcpc.org/give/)

CARE & COUNSELING

## DivorceCare

*Wednesdays*

7:00–8:15 P.M.

DivorceCare is a ministry that works to help those affected by divorce or separation to face the challenges and move towards rebuilding life. It's not too late to sign up. Register online.  
[pcpc.org/events/](http://pcpc.org/events/)

MARRIAGE

## Marriage Ministry Classes

Seriously dating, engaged, or newly married? Join us this fall for virtual **UNION!** In an effort to keep everyone safe and healthy, video lessons and homework assignments will be sent to participants each week. You will then have the opportunity to discuss the lessons and the homework with your small group during weekly virtual meetings. Registration closes at noon on **Wednesday, September 23.**

**Relengage** is a class for married couples where you can receive encouragement and learn more about God's design for marriage. Virtual small groups will be scheduled based on participants' availability, as much as possible.

If you are interested in learning more or signing up for a group, please contact Melissa Hecht.

[melissa.hecht@pcpc.org](mailto:melissa.hecht@pcpc.org) or 214-224-2679

## EXTEND CAMPUS PLAN

For updates on EXTEND, please visit

[extend.pcpc.org/updates](http://extend.pcpc.org/updates)

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## General Fund

2020/2021 Operating Budget	\$13,500,000
July 1–September 13, 2020 Budget	\$1,932,030
July 1–September 13, 2020 Giving	\$1,703,776
Budget Variance	–\$228,255