

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

July 27, 2025 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Robby Higginbottom

The Prelude

8:00 "Song Without Words" Felix Mendelssohn
Stephen Nielson, piano

9:30/11:00 "Festal Flourish" Charles Ore

J. Marty Cope, organ

*Call to Worship

Minister: The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? **People:** The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I

be afraid?

Minister: When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh,

People: my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall. Minister: Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; People: though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.

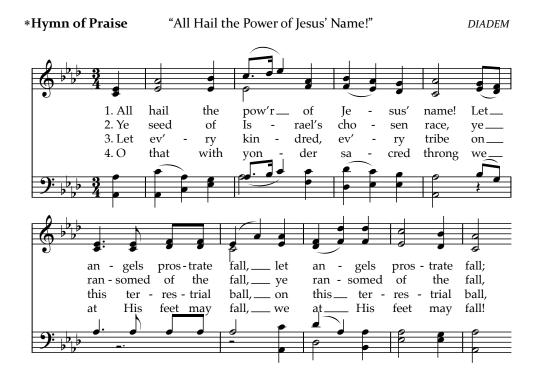
Minister: One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may

will ister. One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after, that I may

dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,

People: to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in

His temple. Psalm 27.1-4





*Prayer of Adoration

*Profession of Faith

The Rev. Sam Leopold

But now thus says the LORD,
He who created you, O Jacob,
He who formed you, O Israel:
"Fear not, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are Mine.
When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.
For I am the LORD your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior."

Isaiah 43.1-3a

Musical Response "LORD God of Abraham" from *Elijah Felix Mendelssohn* 9:30/11:00 Donnie Ray Albert, *baritone* ∙ J. Marty Cope, *piano*

LORD God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel! This day let it be known that Thou art God; and I am Thy servant! O show to all this people that I have done these things according to Thy word! O hear me LORD, and answer me; and show this people that Thou art LORD God; and let their hearts again be turned! from I Kings 18.36-37

Elijah asks God to show Himself strong and send fire from heaven to devour the sacrifice during the competition against the Prophets of Baal.

Public Confession of Sin

Mr. Leopold

O Lord,

we bless You that we who turn away from You may return to You immediately, and be welcomed without anything to commend us, notwithstanding all our former failures.

Our souls have been greatly distressed because we did not suitably come to the fountain that purges away all sin. We have labored too much for spiritual life, peace of conscience,

peace of conscience, progressive holiness, in our own strength.

We beg You,

show us the arm of all might;
give us to believe that You can do for us
more than we ask or think,
and that, though we sin,
Your love will never let us go,
but will draw us back to You with everlasting cords;
that You provide grace in the wilderness,
and can bring us out,
leaning on the arm of our Beloved.
Keep us solemn, devout, faithful,

resting on free grace for assistance, acceptance, and peace of conscience.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

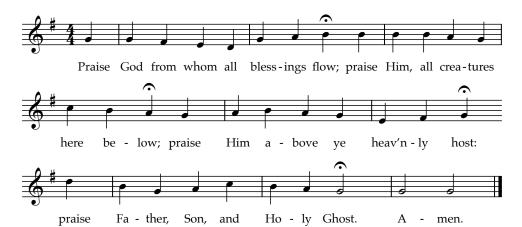
"O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus" Mr. Nielson, *piano*

EBENEZER arr. S. Nielson

9:30/II:00 "Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning!" *arr. Uzee Brown, Jr.* Mr. Albert, *baritone* • Mr. Cope, *piano*

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, for the time is drawing nigh.
Children don't get weary till your work is done.
Christian, journey soon be over; the time is drawing nigh.
Soon I will be done with the trouble of the world; the time is drawing nigh.

*Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH



*The Scripture Reading: John 18.1-27

When Jesus had spoken these words, He went out with His disciples across the brook Kidron, where there was a garden, which He and His disciples entered.

- ² Now Judas, who betrayed Him, also knew the place, for Jesus often met there with His disciples.
- ³ So Judas, having procured a band of soldiers and some officers from the chief priests and the Pharisees, went there with lanterns and torches and weapons.
- ⁴ Then Jesus, knowing all that would happen to Him, came forward and said to them, "Whom do you seek?"
- ⁵ They answered Him, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus said to them, "I am He." Judas, who betrayed Him, was standing with them.
- ⁶ When Jesus said to them, "I am He," they drew back and fell to the ground.
- ⁷ So He asked them again, "Whom do you seek?" And they said, "Jesus of Nazareth."
- ⁸ Jesus answered, "I told you that I am He. So, if you seek Me, let these men go."
- ⁹ This was to fulfill the word that He had spoken: "Of those whom you gave Me I have lost not one."
- Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant and cut off his right ear. (The servant's name was Malchus.)
- ¹¹ So Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword into its sheath; shall I not drink the cup that the Father has given Me?"
- ¹² So the band of soldiers and their captain and the officers of the Jews arrested Jesus and bound Him.
- ¹³ First they led Him to Annas, for he was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, who was high priest that year.
- ¹⁴ It was Caiaphas who had advised the Jews that it would be expedient that one man should die for the people.
- Is Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so did another disciple. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he entered with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest,
- but Peter stood outside at the door. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out and spoke to the servant girl who kept watch at the door, and brought Peter in.
- ¹⁷ The servant girl at the door said to Peter, "You also are not one of this Man's disciples, are you?" He said, "I am not."
- ¹⁸ Now the servants and officers had made a charcoal fire, because it was cold, and they were standing and warming themselves. Peter also was with them, standing and warming himself.

- ¹⁹ The high priest then questioned Jesus about His disciples and His teaching.
- Jesus answered him, "I have spoken openly to the world. I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all Jews come together. I have said nothing in secret.
- ²¹ Why do you ask Me? Ask those who have heard Me what I said to them; they know what I said."
- ²² When He had said these things, one of the officers standing by struck Jesus with his hand, saying, "Is that how You answer the high priest?"
- ²³ Jesus answered him, "If what I said is wrong, bear witness about the wrong; but if what I said is right, why do you strike Me?"
- ²⁴ Annas then sent Him bound to Caiaphas the high priest.
- ²⁵ Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. So they said to him, "You also are not one of His disciples, are you?" He denied it and said, "I am not."
- ²⁶ One of the servants of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, "Did I not see you in the garden with Him?"
- ²⁷ Peter again denied it, and at once a rooster crowed.

Sermon

"Judas, Peter, and Jesus"

Mr. Higginbottom

Worshipers 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

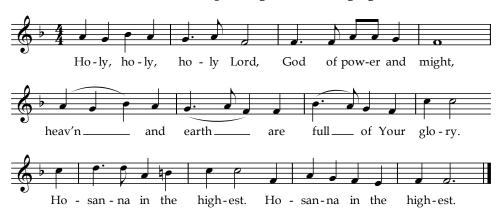
to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty,

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:



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 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Hymn No. 252 in the Trinity Hymnal

HAMBURG



*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

"O Praise Ye the Lord" Mr. Nielson, *piano* LAUDATE DOMINUM

*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.

Session

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SERMON NOTES

John 18.1-27 "Judas, Peter, and Jesus"

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.	Jesus knew that Judas would betray Him, but the disciples did not see it coming. How does this serve as a warning to all of us? (see John 6.70-71; 13.21-30.)
2.	How can people live so "close" to Jesus and not know Him?
3.	When Jesus is threatened, Peter fights. How does Jesus respond? (vv. 10-11)
4.	How did Peter misunderstand Jesus' mission? How do we?
5.	When Jesus is on trial, Peter denies that he is a disciple. When have we denied that we are Jesus' disciples?
6.	How does John show us that Jesus is in control even as He is arrested?
7.	What is Jesus' main concern in this passage? (vv. 8-9)
8.	How should we respond to God's warnings and grace in this passage?

JULY 27, 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!
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The Gathering

Wednesday, August 6 7:15 P.M. | THE LOFT

All High School is invited to join us at The Gathering for fellowship and worship.

pcpc.org/events

Project Workday

Saturday, August 9

8:30 A.M. | WEST DALLAS COMMUNITY SCHOOL Looking for a service project to kickoff the school year? Join City Missions for our yearly back-to-school service project. Volunteers of all ages are needed to clean, help with teacher projects, pray, and perform other tasks.

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RUF-I Welcome Night

Friday, August 22

6:00 P.M. | HOME OF THE WOODWARDS Practice biblical hospitality by enjoying dinner and welcoming new international students at SMU. Please RSVP online. pcpc.org/events

Missionary Luncheon & Mailings

Sunday, August 24
12:30 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Join us for lunch to hear from Taylor & Brett Rayl about Kingdom work in Japan through Christ Bible Institute (CBI) while writing encouraging notes to our missionaries around the world. Lunch will

be provided; donations appreciated.

pcpc.org/events

Children's & Youth Choir

Register to join our PCPC Children's and Youth Choir Ministry for ages 4 through 8th grade. We will begin our weekly rehearsals on Wednesday, September 10. High School singers welcome! Contact *katie.haring@pcpc.org* with questions.

pcpc.org/music/choirs

Special Events

Girls Pickleball & Bubbas (Middle School) WEDNESDAY, JULY 30 | 6:00 P.M. | GYM

Author Alan Noble

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13 | 7:00 P.M. FELLOWSHIP HALL C

Communicants Parent Intro Meetings SUNDAYS, AUGUST 24 OR 31 | 11:00 A.M. | CHAPEL Women's Night of Worship & Prayer WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27 | 7:00 P.M. | CHAPEL

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