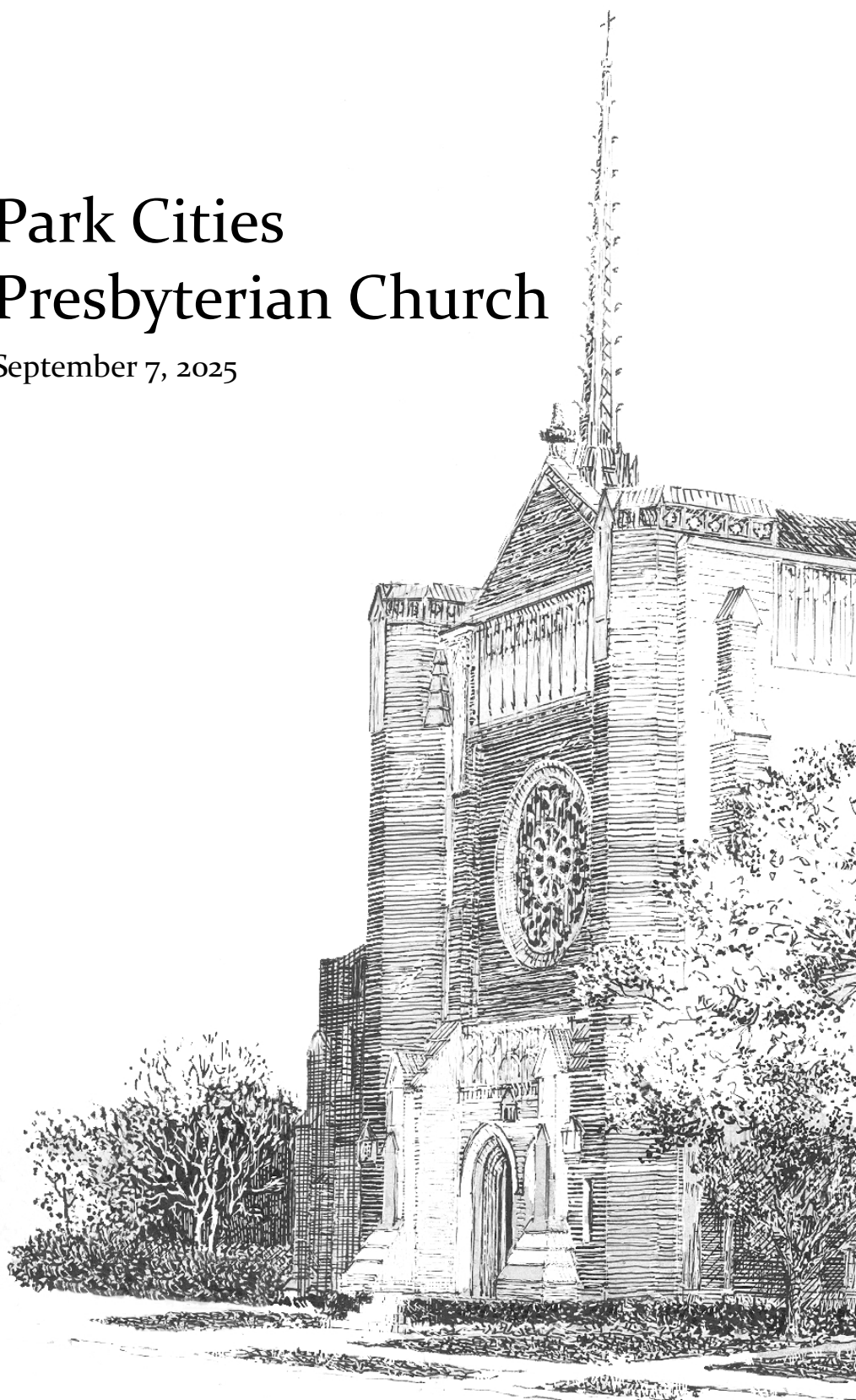


# Park Cities Presbyterian Church

September 7, 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

September 7, 2025  
8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Paul Goebel

## The Prelude

8:00

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”  
Stephen Nielson, *piano*

FAITHFULNESS

9:30/11:00

“Exultate!”  
Brass and Percussion Ensemble • Dr. Nathan Davy, *organ*

J. Martin

## \*Call to Worship

Minister: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;

**People: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!**

Minister: Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving;

**People: let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!**

Minister: For the LORD is a great God,

**People: and a great King above all gods.**

Minister: Oh come, let us worship and bow down;

**People: let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!**

Minister: For He is our God,

**People: and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.**

Psalms 95.1-3, 6-7

## \*Hymn of Praise

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

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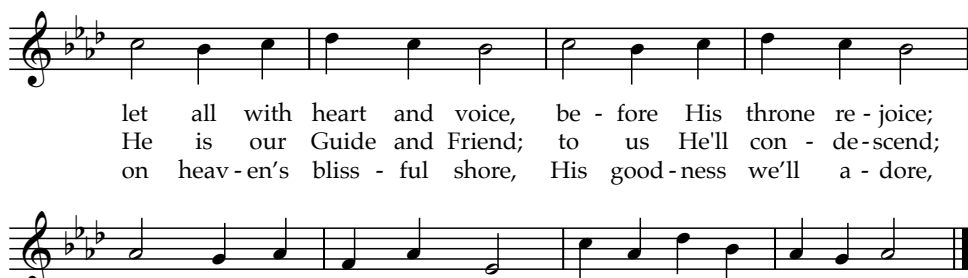
Hymn No. 302 in the Trinity Hymnal



Come, Chris-tians, join to sing Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
Come, lift your hearts on high, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
Praise yet our Christ a - gain; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



loud praise to Christ our King; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
let prai - ses fill the sky; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
life shall not end the strain; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



let all with heart and voice, be - fore His throne re - joice;  
 He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll con - de-scend;  
 on heav - en's bliss - ful shore, His good - ness we'll a - dore,  
 praise is His gra - cious choice. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
 His love shall nev - er end. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
 sing - ing for - ev - er - more, "Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!"

### \*Prayer of Adoration

### \*Profession of Faith

The Rev. Robby Higginbottom 8:00

The Rev. Mark Davis 9:30/11:00

Minister: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

**People:** That I belong—  
 body and soul,  
 in life and in death—  
 not to myself,  
 but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ,  
 who at the cost of His own blood  
 has fully paid for all my sins  
 and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil;  
 that He protects me so well  
 that without the will of my Father in heaven  
 not a hair can fall from my head;  
 indeed, that everything must fit His purpose for my salvation.  
 Therefore, by His Holy Spirit,  
 He also assures me of eternal life,  
 and makes me wholeheartedly willing  
 and ready from now on to live for Him.

*Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1*



1. Though the na - tions rage, king - doms rise and fall, there is  
 2. Though the dread of night o - ver - whelms my soul, He is  
 3. Though I may not see what the fu - ture brings, I will



still one King reign - ing o - ver all. So, I will not fear for this  
 here with me. I am not a - lone. Oh, His love is sure, and He  
 watch and wait for the Sav - ior King. Then, my joy com - plete, stand - ing



truth re - mains: that my God is \_\_\_\_ the An - cient of Days. \_\_\_\_  
 knows my name. For my God is \_\_\_\_ the An - cient of Days. \_\_\_\_  
 face to face in the pres - ence of the An - cient of Days. \_\_\_\_

*Refrain*

None a - bove Him, none be - fore Him. All of time in His hands.



For His throne, it shall re - main and ev - er stand. \_\_\_\_ All the pow - er,



all the glo - ry, I will trust in His name. For my God is the An - cient of Days.

**Public Confession of Sin**

Mr. Higginbottom 8:00

Mr. Davis 9:30/11:00

**Almighty and most merciful God;**

**We acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against You**

**in thought, word, and deed;**

**that we have not loved You with all our heart and soul,**

**with all our mind and strength;**

**and that we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.**

**We beseech You, O God, to forgive what we have been,**

**to help us to amend what we are,**

**and of Your mercy to direct what we shall be;**

**so that we may hereafter walk in the way of Your commandments,**

**and do those things which are pleasing in Your sight;**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

## Private Confession

## Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put My law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be My people. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.” Jeremiah 31:33, 34b

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

## Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Higginbottom 8:00

Mr. Davis 9:30/11:00

*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

“Adagio” from Sonata No. 3  
Mr. Nielson, piano

Joseph Haydn

9:30/11:00

“I Am Not My Own”

Heidelberg 1/Courtney

Chancel Choir • Brass and Percussion Ensemble

Stephen Nielson, piano • Nathan Davy, organ • J. Marty Cope, conducting

*I am not my own, not in body, not in soul, in life nor even death.*

*I am not my own, I belong unto my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.*

*I am not my own.*

*I am not my own, His own blood has ransomed me, from evil set me free.*

*I am not my own.*

*For my salvation all things work together, in eternal life He gives me hope.*

*By the power of His Holy Spirit, I will live for Him.*

*I belong to Him, I belong to Him in life, in death, my only comfort,*

*I belong to Him, I will live for Him.*

*Forever and ever, forever and ever, forever more.*

**\*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: Jonah 1.1-3**

*Now the word of the LORD came to Jonah the son of Amittai, saying,  
2 “Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it, for their evil has come up before Me.”  
3 But Jonah rose to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the LORD. He went down to Joppa and found a ship going to Tarshish. So he paid the fare and went down into it, to go with them to Tarshish, away from the presence of the LORD.*

**Sermon**

“God’s Love for Rebels”

Mr. Goebel

*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!

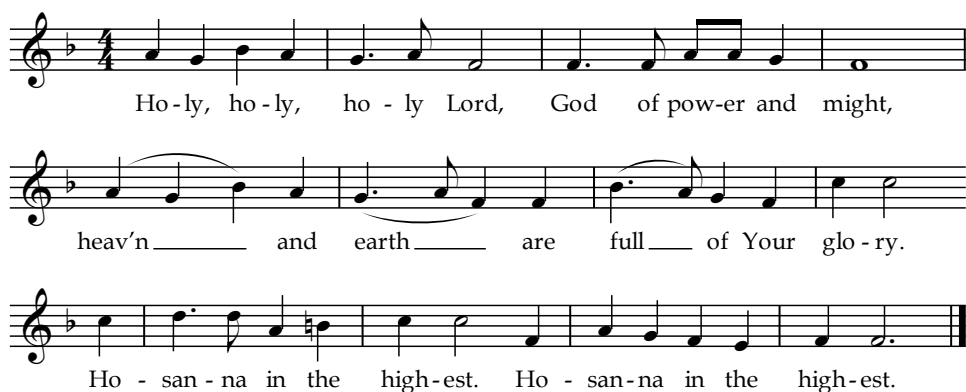
**People: We lift them up to the Lord!**

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:**



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

**Communion 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.)*

**\*Closing Hymn**

“Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!”

HYFRYDOL



1. Je - sus! what a Friend for sin - ners! Je - sus!  
2. Je - sus! what a strength in weak - ness! Let me  
3. Je - sus! what a help in sor - row! While the  
4. Je - sus! I do now re - ceive Him, more than



lov - er of my soul; friends may fail me, foes as -  
hide my - self in Him; tempt - ed, tried, and some - times  
bil - lows o'er me roll, e - ven when my heart is  
all in Him I find; He hath grant - ed me for -



sail me, He, my Sav - ior, makes me whole.  
fail - ing, He, my strength, my vic - t'ry wins.  
break - ing, He, my com - fort, helps my soul.  
give - ness, I am His, and He is mine.



Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior! Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Friend!



Sav - ing, help - ing, keep - ing, lov - ing, He is with me to the end.

**\*The Benediction**

Minister: Now may the God who never abandons you and never lets go of you,  
go before you in your darkness, stand beside you in your fears, make  
you faithful in your temptations until Jesus comes.

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

**The Postlude**

8:00

“Tell Out, My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord”  
Mr. Nielson, *piano*

WOODLANDS



*\*Please stand if you are able.*

*The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God  
and in celebration of the marriage of Claire and John Lovell.*



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

**Senior Pastor**

The Rev. Mark Davis

**Session**

John Bateman  
The Rev. Mark Davis,  
*Moderator*  
Jack Denman, Jr.  
Don Dillahunt  
The Rev. Paul Goebel,  
*Associate Pastor*  
Lance Gurley  
Houston Hunt  
Tim Jeffress  
Bob McCamey

Ben Moffitt  
Jim Morris, Jr.,  
*Clerk*  
David Newman  
Rick Owens  
Kirk Pogoloff  
Dennis Roossien  
Greg Russell  
John Ward  
Randy Wood

## **SERMON NOTES**

Jonah 1.1-3  
“God’s Love for Rebels”

## 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 are the 12 minor prophets? What makes Jonah unique among the prophets?
2. Why did God call Jonah to go to Nineveh? Why was this significant? What does this significance have to do with us?
3. What did God's judgment of Nineveh have to do with His love?
4. Why did Jonah rebel against God? What did Jonah's rebellion have to do with God's love? (See Jonah 4.2)
5. How are you a rebel like the people of Nineveh? How are you a rebel like Jonah?
6. Read Jonah 1.3 and Psalm 139.7. Is it possible to flee from God's presence?
7. What is God's covenant love? How is Jesus Christ the ultimate fulfillment of God's love for rebels? (See Romans 5.8)

# Highlights

SEPTEMBER 7, 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](https://pcpc.org/connect)



## Fall Kickoff

*Launching September 7-12*

Join us as we abide in Christ and connect with one another at PCPC. Pick up or download a copy of the 2025 Fall Guide.

- Children's Choirs & Musikgarten
- Grief Support Group & DivorceCare
- Men's, Women's, & Couple's Bible Studies
- Middle & High School Small Groups
- Midweek Dinner & more
- UNION (Pre-Marriage Class)

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



## Wednesday Word & Table

*Begins September 10*

12:00-12:30 P.M. | CHAPEL

Experience the serene beauty and new tradition of spiritual pause during Midweek through singing, a brief exhortation, confession, and feasting at the Lord's Table. Boxed lunches available for purchase.

[pcpc.org/midweek](https://pcpc.org/midweek)

## Helping Hands

*Saturday, September 13*

8:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. | OAK LAWN WEST

Volunteer to help single moms, senior adults, and widows/ers by doing odd jobs around their homes.

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

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[pcpc.org/newsletters](https://pcpc.org/newsletters)

## Parent Equip: Grief & Trauma

*Wednesday, September 17*

6:30 P.M. | MEZZANINE B

Join us for a panel discussion with Kristen and Pete Hatton, along with additional Magnolia Counseling Group counselors, Rebecca Leonard and Michael Sweeney. Learn more about trauma and its effects, the grief process at different ages, and how we can best help our kids. Childcare available with reservations.

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

## Special Events

*Communion Sunday*

SUNDAY, SEPT. 14

*Young Adult Solitude Saturday*

SATURDAY, SEPT. 20 | 8:00 A.M. | GRAND HALL

*Second Grade Bibles*

SUNDAY, SEPT. 28 | 8:30 A.M.

*Care Mini Conference*

OCT. 3-4 | REGISTER BY SEPT. 30

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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–Aug 31, 2025 Budget	\$2,094,866
Jul 1, 2025–Aug 31, 2025 Giving	\$2,999,074
Budget Variance	\$904,208