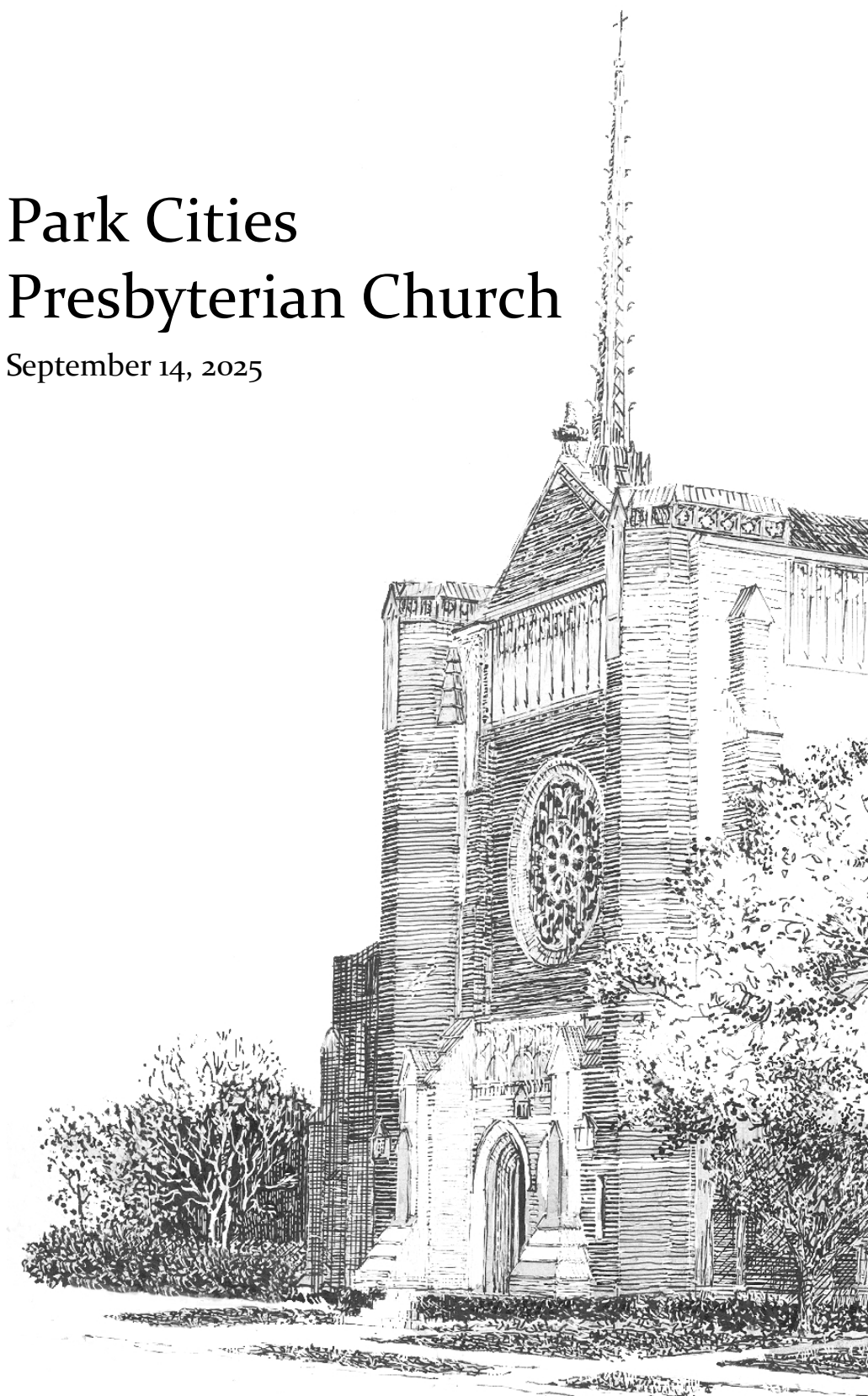


Park Cities Presbyterian Church

September 14, 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 14, 2025
8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Mark Davis

*Call to Worship

Minister: Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,

People: ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

Minister: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name;

People: worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

Minister: The voice of the LORD is over the waters;

People: the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over many waters.

Minister: The voice of the LORD is powerful;

People: the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

Minister: May the LORD give strength to His people!

People: May the LORD bless His people with peace!

Psalms 29.1-4, 11

*Hymn of Praise

“O Worship the King”

LYONS

1. O wor - ship the King all - glo - rious a -
2. O tell of His might, O sing of His
3. Your boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re -
4. Frail child - ren of dust, and fee - ble as

bove, O grate - ful - ly sing His pow'r and His
grace, whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py
cite? It breathes in the air; it shines in the
frail, in You do we trust, nor find — You to

love; our shield and De - fend - er, the An - cient of
space. His char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds
light; it streams from the hills; it de - scends to the
fail; Your mer - cies how ten - der, how firm to the

Days, pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.
form, and dark is His path on the wings of the storm.
plain; and sweet - ly dis - tils in the dew and the rain.
end, our Ma - ker, De - fend - er, Re - deem - er and Friend!

***Prayer of Adoration**

***Profession of Faith**

The Rev. Pete Hatton 8:00/9:30
The Rev. Robert Rucker 11:00

God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.
Therefore we will not fear though the earth give way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,
though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its swelling.
“Be still, and know that I am God.
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth!”
The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Psalms 46.1-3, 10-11

Please be seated.

Musical Response

“Be Still, My Soul”

FINLANDIA

9:30/11:00

William R. Park, *vocalist* • Stephen Nielson, *pianist*

My God, I bless You that You have given me the eye of faith,
to see You as Father,
to know You as a covenant God,
to experience Your love planted in me.

Be pleased to live and move within me,
breathing in my prayers,
inhabiting my praises,
speaking in my words,
living in my life, causing me to grow in grace.

Your bounteous goodness has helped me believe,
but my faith is weak and wavering,
its light dim,
its steps tottering,
its increase slow,
its backslidings frequent.

Lord, fan this divine spark into a glowing flame!

When faith sleeps, my heart becomes an unclean thing,
the fount of every loathsome desire,
the cage of unclean lusts all fluttering to escape,
the toxic tree with deadly fruit.

Lord, awake faith to put forth its strength
until all heaven fills my soul and all impurity is cast out.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His steadfast love toward those who fear Him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does He remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear Him. Psalm 103.11-13

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

*Hymn

"His Mercy Is More"

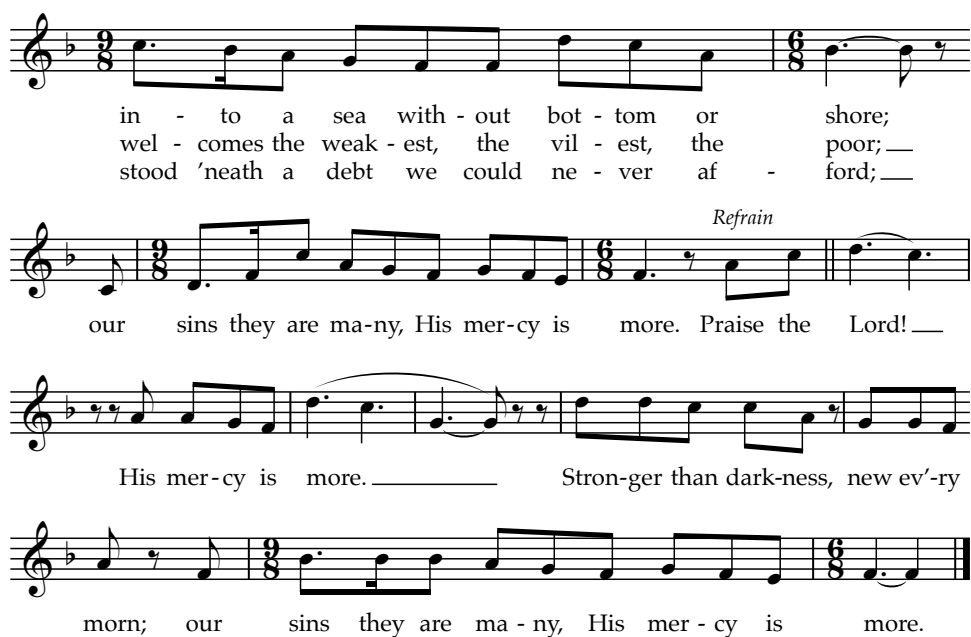
Boswell/Papa



What love could re - mem - ber no wrongs we have done; om -
What pa - tience would wait as we con - stant - ly roam; what
What rich - es of kind - ness He la - vished on us; His



ni - scient, all kno - wing, He counts not their sum. Thrown
Fa - ther, so ten - der, is call - ing us home. He
blood was the pay - ment, His life was the cost. We



in - to a sea with - out bot - tom or shore;
wel - comes the weak - est, the vil - est, the poor; —
stood 'neath a debt we could ne - ver af - ford; —

Refrain

our sins they are ma - ny, His mer - cy is more. Praise the Lord! —

His mer - cy is more. — Stron - ger than dark - ness, new ev' - ry

morn; our sins they are ma - ny, His mer - cy is more.

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Hatton 8:00/9:30

Mr. Rucker 11:00

*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

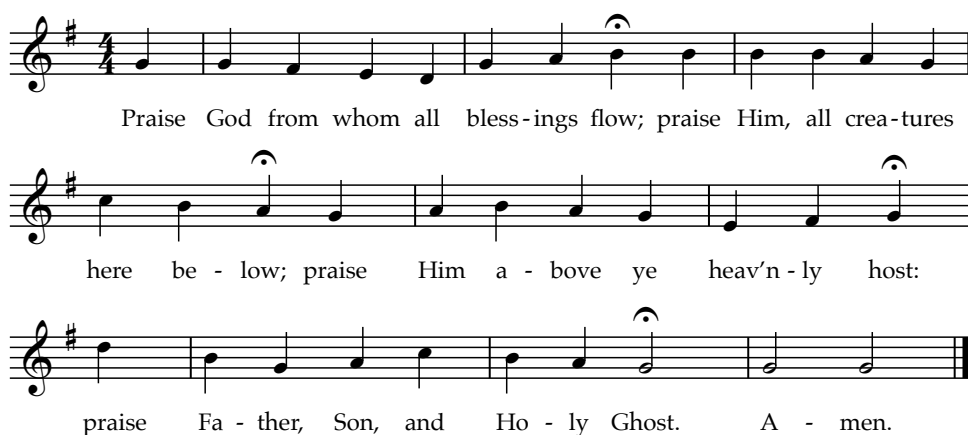
8:00 Variations on "If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee" Georg Boehm
(Trinity Hymnal No. 670)
Mary Preston, organ

9:30/11:00 "Death Shall Not Destroy My Comfort" Traditional American
Chancel Choir • William R. Park, vocalist arr. Mack Wilberg
Stephen Nielson/Nathan Davy, piano • Bryan Varenkamp, conducting

*Death shall not destroy my comfort, Christ shall guide me through the gloom;
down, He'll send some heav'nly convoy, to escort my spirit home.
Oh, hallelujah! How I love my Savior! Oh, hallelujah! That I do. Oh, hallelujah!
How I love my Savior! Mourners, you may love Him too.
Jordan's stream shall not o'er flow me while my Savior's by my side. Canaan,
Canaan lies before me! Soon I'll cross the swelling tide.
See the happy spirits waiting on the banks beyond the stream! Sweet responses
still repeating, "Jesus! Jesus!" is their theme.*

*The Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH



*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 1.1-6

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.*

⁴ *But the LORD hurled a great wind upon the sea, and there was a mighty tempest on the sea, so that the ship threatened to break up.*

⁵ *Then the mariners were afraid, and each cried out to his god. And they hurled the cargo that was in the ship into the sea to lighten it for them. But Jonah had gone down into the inner part of the ship and had lain down and was fast asleep.*

⁶ *So the captain came and said to him, “What do you mean, you sleeper? Arise, call out to your God! Perhaps your God will give a thought to us, that we may not perish.”*

Sermon

“But Jonah...But God”

Mr. Davis

*The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

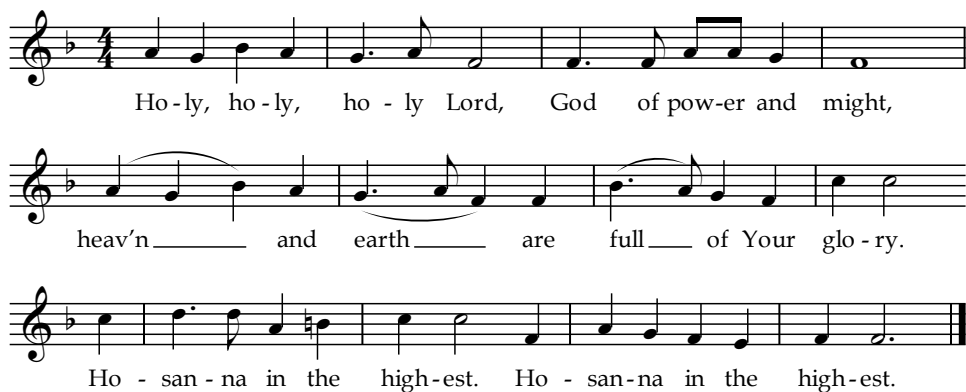
People: **We lift them up to the Lord!**

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:**



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

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.*

(Worshippers at 8:00, please continue at the closing hymn.)

The Lord's Table 9:30/11:00

*Please come forward to receive the elements as directed by an usher.
Partake of each when served, returning to your seat with your empty cup.
The bread being served is gluten free.*

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

WHAT A FRIEND



1. What a Friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
2. Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
3. Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a pri - vi - lege to car - ry ev' - ry - thing to God in prayer!
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged: take it to the Lord in prayer!
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— take it to the Lord in prayer!



O what peace we of - ten for - feit, O what need - less pain we bear,
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful, who will all our sor - rows share?
 Do thy friends de - spise, for - sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev' - ry - thing to God in prayer.
 Je - sus knows our ev' - ry weak - ness— take it to the Lord in prayer.
 In His arms He'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a so - lace there.

“Rhosymedre”

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Dr. Davy, organ

*Closing Hymn

“O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus”

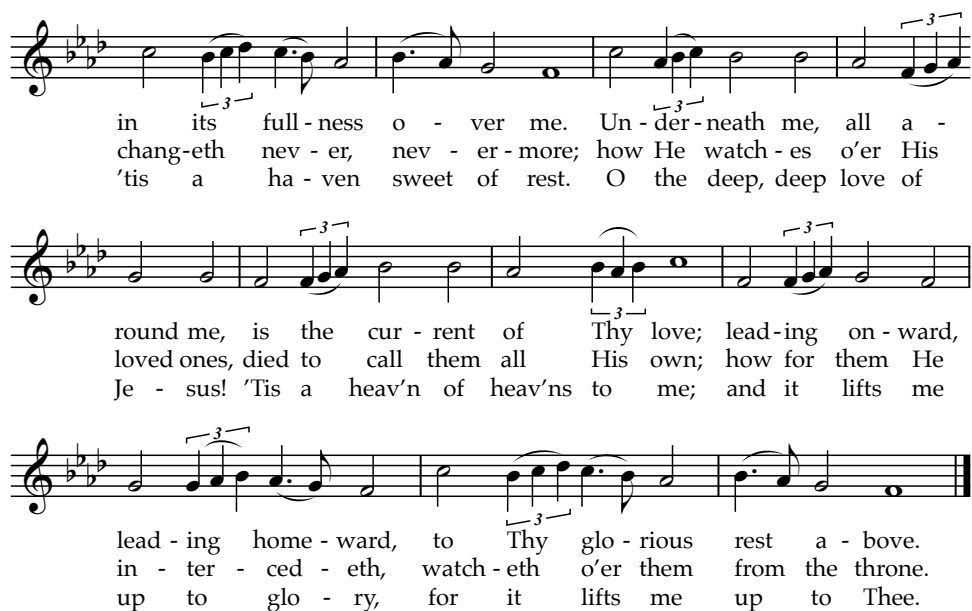
EBENEZER



1. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus! Vast, un - mea - sured,
2. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus! Spread His praise from
3. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus! Love of ev - 'ry



bound - less, free; roll - ing as a might - y o - cean
 shore to shore; how He lov - eth, ev - er lov - eth,
 love the best: 'tis an o - cean vast of bless - ing,



in its full - ness o - ver me. Un - der - neath me, all a -
 chang-eth nev - er, nev - er - more; how He watch - es o'er His
 'tis a ha - ven sweet of rest. O the deep, deep love of
 round me, is the cur - rent of Thy love; lead - ing on - ward,
 loved ones, died to call them all His own; how for them He
 Je - sus! 'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me; and it lifts me
 lead - ing home - ward, to Thy glo - rious rest a - bove.
 in - ter - ced - eth, watch - eth o'er them from the throne.
 up to glo - ry, for it lifts me up to Thee.

*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.

Postlude

8:00

"Allegro" from *Concerto in G*
 Mrs. Preston, organ

William Hayes

9:30/11:00

"Fugue in G minor, BWV 542"
 Dr. Davy, organ

J. S. Bach

*Please stand if you are able.

*The flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the birthday of
 Jonnie Ruth (J.R.) Meek and in honor of the 40th wedding anniversary of
 Ruthie and Stephen Meek.*

"Hearts knit together in love" Colossians 2:2

*Members of PCPC who have joined the Church Triumphant
 since our last Communion service:*

Bennett Wilson Cervin
 Glenn Edwin Baldwin
 Bryan Anthony Ward



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

Jonah 1.1-6
“But Jonah...But God”

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. Describe why Jonah refused to obey God's word and flee.
2. How does the prophet Jonah's decision to flee from the presence of the Lord reveal to us the powerful deception of sin?
3. What are the consequences of Jonah's sin for him and the others in the passage?
4. What key words and phrases are repeated in the passage? How is this significant?
5. How is God's sovereign hand on display in the passage?
6. How could Jonah sleep in the midst of the violent storm?
7. What is significant about the captain's question and charge to Jonah in 1.6?
8. Where in your life have you experienced the consequences of sin and the merciful storm of God?
9. Where in your life are you tempted to refuse the word of God and flee from His presence?
10. How does the Lord's response to Jonah fleeing point to Jesus?

Highlights

SEPTEMBER 14, 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

Wednesday Word & Table

Wednesdays

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

Parent Equip: Grief & Trauma

Wednesday, September 17

6:30 P.M. | THE LOFT (LEVEL TWO)

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.

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Young Adult Solitude Saturday

Saturday, September 20

8:00 A.M. | GRAND HALL

Join us for a quiet morning of solitude, contemplation, and prayer. A light breakfast will be provided. No registration required.

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Second Grade Bibles

Sunday, September 28

8:30 A.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

All second graders are invited to a special breakfast and to receive a Bible during worship. Please register online by Sept. 19.

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Care Mini-Conference

Friday, Oct. 3-Saturday, Oct. 4

This insightful mini-conference will explore the continuum of care for the journey of aging from experts in the field. Designed for family members, caregivers, ministry leaders, and healthcare professionals, this event will offer practical guidance and spiritual encouragement. Featuring Angela Thomas, Karen Koop, Ben Kazora, Steve Benton, Lynnora Ratliff, and Friday's keynote speaker Ann McKinley. Register online by September 30.

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Special Events

Parish Prayer

SUNDAY, SEPT. 28 | 4:00 P.M.

Pumpkin Gospel

FRIDAY, OCT. 3 | 5:00 P.M. | PCPC COURTYARD

Middle School Fall Retreat

FRIDAY, OCT. 3-SUNDAY OCT. 5 | SKY RANCH

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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–Sept 07, 2025 Budget	\$2,348,265
Jul 1, 2025–Sept 07, 2025 Giving	\$3,372,535
Budget Variance	\$1,024,270