



*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

February 22, 2026

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

February 22, 2026  
8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

## *First Sunday of Lent*

*Lent is a season of preparation and repentance during which we anticipate Good Friday and Easter. The practice of a forty-day preparation period began in the Christian church during the third and fourth centuries. The number forty carries biblical significance based on the forty years Israel spent in the wilderness and Jesus' forty-day fast in the wilderness.*

*As a period of preparation, Lent has historically included the instruction of persons for baptism and profession of faith; the calling back of those who have become estranged from the church; and efforts by all Christians to deepen their piety, devotion, and readiness to mark the death and resurrection of their Savior.*

### **Welcome and Announcements**

The Rev. Tommy Overton 8:00  
The Rev. Mark Davis 9:30/11:00

### **\*Call to Worship**

Minister: I waited patiently for the LORD;

**People: He inclined to me and heard my cry.**

Minister: He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out of the miry bog,

**People: and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.**

Minister: He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.

**People: Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD.**

Minister: You have multiplied, O LORD my God, Your wondrous deeds and Your thoughts toward us; none can compare with You!

**People: I will proclaim and tell of them, yet they are more than can be told.**

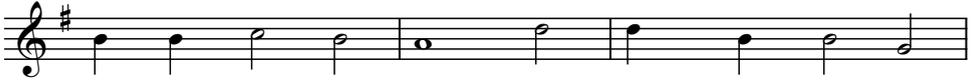
Psalm 40.1-3, 5

**\*Hymn of Praise**      "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"  
Hymn No. 164 in the Trinity Hymnal

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1. O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my  
2. My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as -  
• 3. Je - sus! the name that charms our fears, that  
4. He breaks the pow'r of reign - ing sin, He  
5. He speaks, and lis - t'ning to His voice, new  
6. Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb, your



great Re - deem - er's praise, the glo - ries of my  
sist me to pro - claim, to spread through all the  
• bids our sor - rows cease, 'tis mu - sic in the  
sets the pris - 'ner free; His blood can make the  
life the dead re - ceive; the mourn - ful, bro - ken  
loos - ened tongues em - ploy; ye blind, be - hold your



God and King, the \_\_\_ tri - umphs of His grace!  
earth a - broad the \_\_\_ hon - ors of Thy name.  
• sin - ner's ears, 'tis \_\_\_ life, and health, and peace.  
foul - est clean; His \_\_\_ blood a - vailed for me.  
hearts re - joice; the \_\_\_ hum - ble poor be - lieve.  
Sav - ior come, and \_\_\_ leap, ye lame, for joy.

**\*Prayer of Adoration**

**\*A Litany of Atonement**

The Rev. Sam Leopold

Minister: We believe that Jesus Christ is a high priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek—made such by an oath—and that He presented Himself in our name before His Father, to appease His Father's wrath with full satisfaction by offering Himself on the tree of the cross and pouring out His precious blood for the cleansing of our sins, as the prophets had predicted.

**People:** For it is written that "the punishment that made us whole" was placed on the Son of God and that "by His bruises we are healed." He was "like a lamb that is led to the slaughter"; He was "numbered with the transgressors" and condemned as a criminal by Pontius Pilate, though Pilate had declared that He was innocent.

*All singing:*

*Ah, holy Jesus, how hast Thou offended,  
That man to judge Thee hath in hate pretended?  
By foes derided, by Thine own rejected, O most afflicted!*

Minister: So He paid back what he had not stolen,

**People:** and He suffered—"the righteous for the unrighteous," in both His body and His soul—in such a way that when He sensed the horrible punishment required by our sins "His sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground." He cried, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"

*All singing:*

*Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon Thee?*

*Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone thee!*

*'Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied Thee; I crucified Thee.*

Minister: And He endured all this for the forgiveness of our sins.

**People: Therefore we rightly say with Paul that we know nothing “except Jesus Christ, and Him crucified”; we “regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus [our] Lord.” We find all comforts in His wounds and have no need to seek or invent any other means to reconcile ourselves with God than this one and only sacrifice, once made, which renders believers perfect forever.**

**This is also why the angel of God called Him Jesus—that is, “Savior”—because He would save His people from their sins.** *Belgic Confession, Article 21*

*All singing:*

*For me, kind Jesus, was Thine incarnation,*

*Thy mortal sorrow, and Thy life’s oblation;*

*Thy death of anguish and Thy bitter passion, for my salvation.*

*Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay Thee,*

*I do adore Thee, and will ever pray Thee,*

*Think on Thy pity and Thy love unswerving, not my deserving.*

*Please be seated.*

### **Musical Meditation**

*9:30/11:00*

“Aria”

Elise Belk, oboe • Nathan Davy, organ

*Joseph Jongen*

### **Public Confession of Sin**

Mr. Leopold

**God of compassion,**

**You are slow to anger and full of mercy,**

**welcoming sinners who return to You with penitent hearts.**

**Receive in Your loving embrace**

**all who come home to You.**

**Seat them at Your bountiful table of grace,**

**that, with all Your children,**

**they may feast with delight**

**on all that satisfies the hungry heart.**

**We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior,**

**who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit,**

**one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

### **Private Confession**

### **Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel**

Out of the anguish of His soul He shall see and be satisfied; by His knowledge shall the righteous One, My Servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and He shall bear their iniquities. *Isaiah 53.11*

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



1. O, to see the dawn of the dark - est day; Christ  
 2. O, to see the pain writ - ten on Your face, bear -  
 3. Now the day - light flees; Now the ground be - neath quakes  
 4. O, to see my name writ - ten in the wounds, for



on the road to Cal - va - ry. Tried by sin - ful men,  
 ing the awe - some weight of sin. Ev - 'ry bit - ter thought,  
 as its Ma - ker bows His head. Cur - tain torn in two,  
 through Your suf - f'ring I am free. Death is crushed to death,



torn and beat - en, then nailed to a cross of wood. \_\_\_\_  
 ev - 'ry e - vil deed crown - ing Your blood - stained brow. \_\_\_\_  
 dead are raised to life— “Fin - ished!” the vic - t'ry cry. \_\_\_\_  
 life is mine to live, won through Your self - less love! \_\_\_\_

Refrain



(v1-3) This the pow'r \_\_\_\_ of the cross: \_\_\_\_ Christ be - came \_\_\_\_ sin for us. \_\_\_\_  
 (v4) This the pow'r \_\_\_\_ of the cross: \_\_\_\_ Son of God \_\_\_\_ slain for us. \_\_\_\_



Took the blame, \_\_\_\_ bore the wrath; We stand for - gi - ven at the cross.  
 What a love, \_\_\_\_ what a cost! We stand for - gi - ven at the cross.

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](http://pcpc.org/give) or text “give” to 214-833-7724.*

Musical Offering

8:00 “Adagio e dolce” from Sonata III, BWV 527 J. S. Bach  
 Mary Preston, organ

9:30/11:00 “Day by Day” Richard of Chichester (1197-1253)  
 Chancel Choir K. Lee Scott  
 Elise Belk, oboe • Stephen Nielson, piano • Nathan Davy, conductor

*Day by day, dear Lord, of Thee three things I pray: to see Thee more clearly, love Thee more dearly, follow Thee more nearly, day by day.  
 Thanks be to Thee, Lord Jesus, for all the benefits which Thou hast won for us; for all the pains and insults which Thou hast borne for us, O merciful Redeemer, Friend and Brother.  
 Day by day, dear Lord, of Thee three things I pray: to see Thee more clearly, love Thee more dearly, follow Thee more nearly, day by day. Amen.*

\*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: Ephesians 1.5-7

*In love He predestined us for adoption to Himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of His will,  
6 to the praise of His glorious grace, with which He has blessed us in the Beloved.  
7 In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace.*

**Sermon**

“The Real Blessings of Adoption”

Mr. Overton 8:00  
Mr. Davis 9:30/11:00

*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!

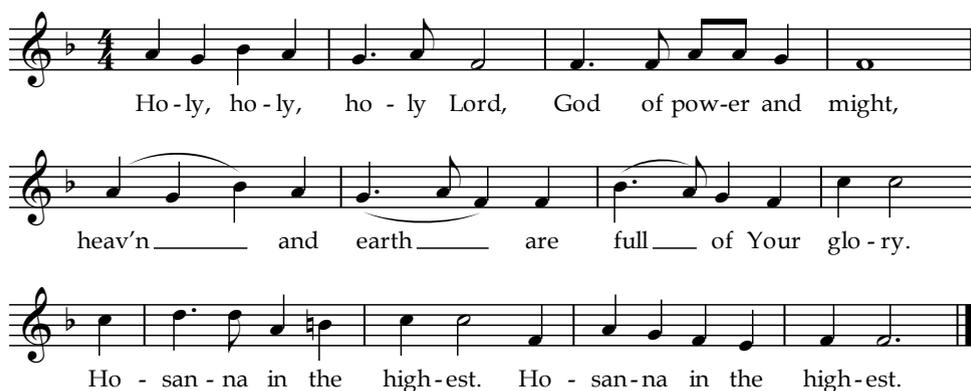
**People: We lift them up to the Lord!**

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:**



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.

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 8:00**

**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.*

**\*Closing Hymn**      "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"  
Hymn No. 252 in the Trinity Hymnal

HAMBURG



When I sur - vey the won - drous cross,  
For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast,  
See, from His head, His hands, His feet,  
Were the whole realm of na - ture mine,



on which the Prince of glo - ry died,  
save in the death of Christ my God:  
sor - row and love flow - ming - gled down:  
that were a pres - ent far too small;



my rich - est gain I count but loss,  
all the vain things that charm me most,  
did e'er such love and sor - row meet,  
love so a - maz - ing so di - vine,



and pour con - tempt on all my pride.  
I sac - ri - fice them to His blood.  
or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?  
de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

**\*The Benediction**

Minister: May the companionship of the Man of Sorrows and the power of  
the King of Glory rest upon you this day and all your days.

*Dale Ralph Davis*

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

**The Postlude**

8:00

"Allegro in A minor" from *Opus 8, No. 8*  
Mrs. Preston, organ

*Giuseppe Torelli*

9:30/11:00

"Prelude in B minor" BWV 544  
Dr. Davy, organ

*J. S. Bach*

*\*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.**

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**SERMON NOTES**

Ephesians 1.5-7  
“The Real Blessings of Adoption”

## 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. How would you describe the doctrine of adoption?
2. What does it mean to be "Adopted to Himself"?
3. What is God's overall purpose in adopting us to Himself?
4. According to verse 7, what do we have in Christ?
5. Why are each of these statements important?
6. How would you explain to someone the meaning of, "according to the riches of His grace"?
7. How does this first section of Ephesians influence the way you see God and the way you see yourself?

# Highlights

FEBRUARY 22, 2026

## 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](http://pcpc.org/connect)

## Missionary Mailings

*Today*

12:30 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Join us today as we write notes of encouragement to our missionaries. Lunch will be provided, donations appreciated.

## Lenten Organ Series

*Tuesdays, February 24–March 24*

12:00 P.M. | SANCTUARY

Prepare for Holy Week and Easter as you enjoy these 30-minute noon concerts each Tuesday during Lent. Full schedule of organists is online.

[pcpcconcerts.org](http://pcpcconcerts.org)

## Young Adult Night of Prayer

*Thursday, February 26*

7:00 P.M.

Join us for an evening of fellowship and prayer in various homes around the city for each other, our neighbors, city, and world. Email [YA@pcpc.org](mailto:YA@pcpc.org) for more information.

## Tenebrae Concert

*Thursday, March 12*

7:00 P.M. | SANCTUARY

PCPC welcomes Tenebrae! Under the direction of Nigel Short, Tenebrae has earned international acclaim for its interpretations of choral music from the Renaissance to contemporary masterpieces. A paid ticket is required.

[pcpcconcerts.org](http://pcpcconcerts.org)

## Serve with PCPC Kids

We have great opportunities in the Children's Ministry for you to serve our nursery and preschoolers on Sunday mornings!

[pcpc.org/kids](http://pcpc.org/kids)

## Men's Golf Scramble

*Friday, April 10*

8:00 A.M. | CEDAR CREST GOLF COURSE



Please join us for the PCPC Men's Golf Scramble. Whether you're an experienced golfer or just looking to connect, this will be a fun time to build friendships over golf and food. Registration and schedule are online.

[pcpc.org/men](http://pcpc.org/men)

## Special Events

*The Gathering (High School)*

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 25 | 7:15 P.M.

*The Bridge: What's Her Story?*

TUESDAY, MAR. 10 | 12:00 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

*Helping Hands*

SATURDAY, MAR. 28 | 8:00 A.M. | OAK LAWN WEST

*Sky Ranch Launch Camp*

JUNE 8-12 | 9:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M. | AT PCPC | REGISTRATION IS OPEN



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## GENERAL FUND

2025/2026 Operating Budget	\$17,500,000
Jul 1, 2025–Feb 15, 2026 Budget	\$12,253,855
Jul 1, 2025–Feb 15, 2026 Giving	\$15,107,312
Budget Variance	\$2,853,457