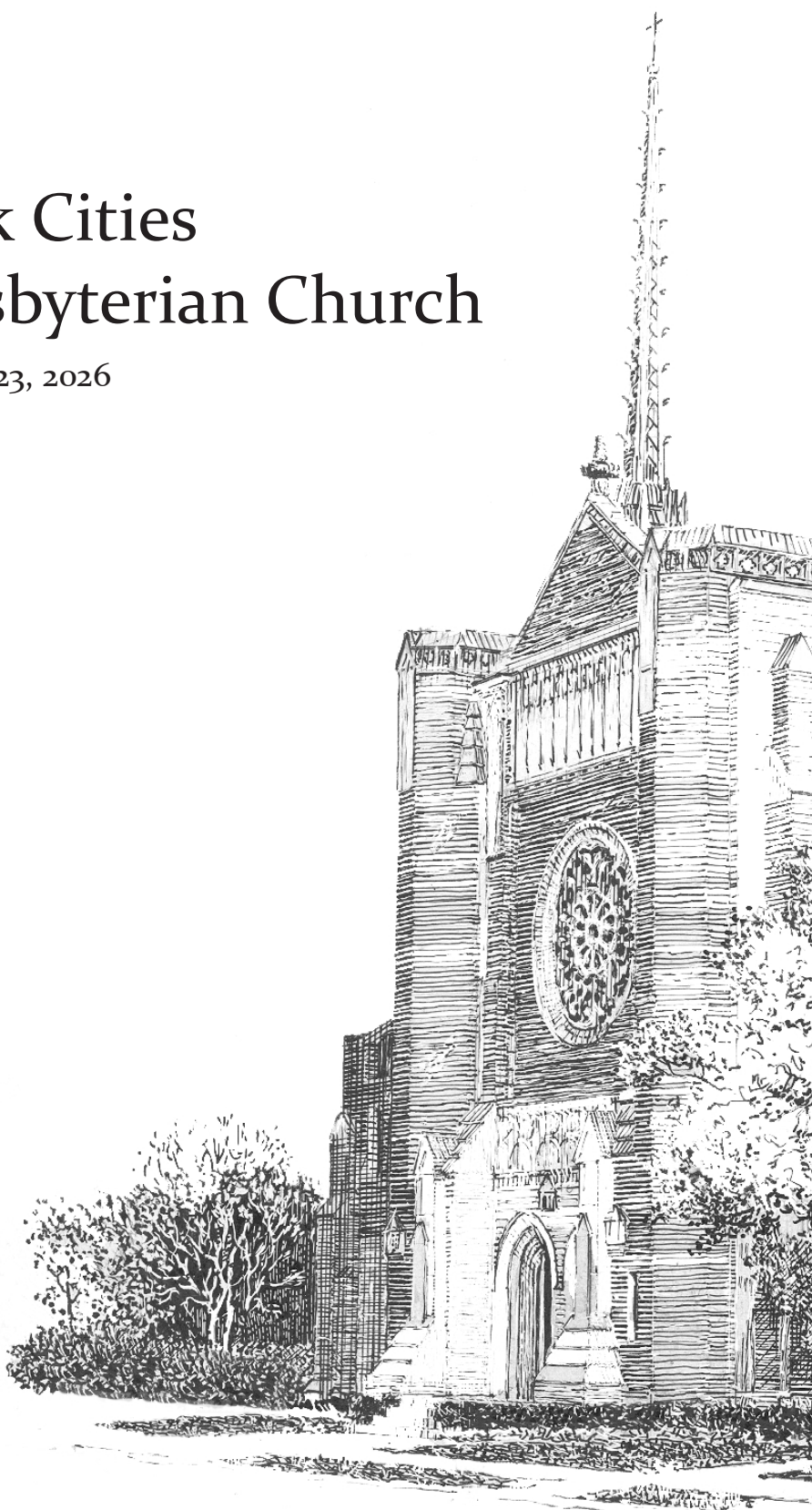


Park Cities Presbyterian Church

August 23, 2026



*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

August 23, 2026
8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

8:00 The Rev. Sam Leopold
9:30/11:00 The Rev. Mark Davis

* Call to Worship

Minister: Send out Your light and Your truth;
let them lead me;

**People: let them bring me to Your holy hill
and to Your dwelling!**

Minister: Then I will go to the altar of God,
to God my exceeding joy,

**People: and I will praise You with the lyre,
O God, my God.**

Minister: Why are you cast down, O my soul,
and why are you in turmoil within me?

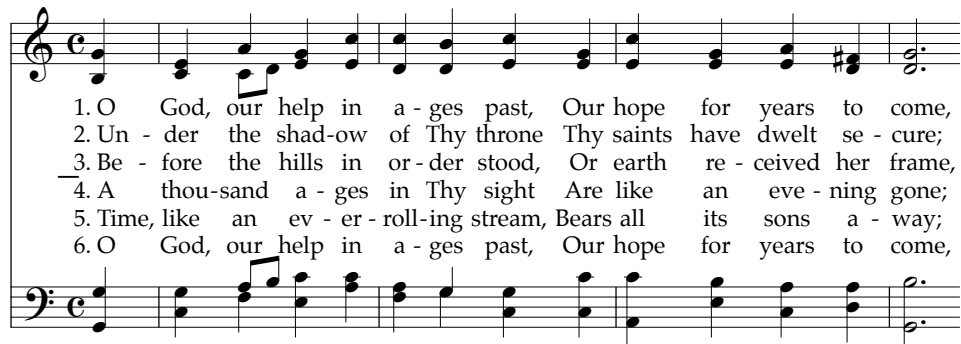
**People: Hope in God; for I shall again praise Him,
my salvation and my God.**

Psalm 43:3-5

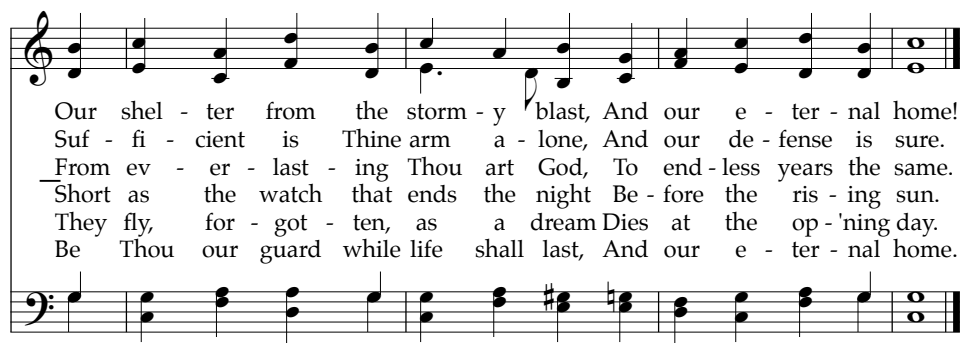
* Hymn

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

ST. ANNE



1. O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,
2. Un - der the shad-ow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
3. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, Or earth re - ceived her frame,
4. A thou-sand a - ges in Thy sight Are like an eve - ning gone;
5. Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, Bears all its sons a - way;
6. O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,



Our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home!
Suf - fi - cient is Thine arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.
From ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, To end - less years the same.
Short as the watch that ends the night Be - fore the ris - ing sun.
They fly, for - got - ten, as a dream Dies at the op - 'ning day.
Be Thou our guard while life shall last, And our e - ter - nal home.

* Prayer of Adoration

* Profession of Faith

Q: What is the aim of the ninth commandment?

A: **That I never give false testimony against anyone,
twist no one's words,
not gossip or slander,
nor join in condemning anyone
rashly or without a hearing.
Rather, in court and everywhere else,
I should avoid lying and deceit of every kind;
these are the very devices the devil uses,
and they would call down on me God's intense wrath.
I should love the truth,
speak it candidly,
and openly acknowledge it.
And I should do what I can
to guard and advance my neighbor's good name.**

Heidelberg Catechism, No. 112

Please be seated.

Musical Reflection

8:00

“Adagio”
Stephen Nielson, *piano*

J. S. Bach
arr. Alessandro Marcello

9:30/11:00

“Chorale”
J. Marty Cope, *piano*

Ola Gjeilo

Public Confession of Sin

The Rev. Robert Rucker

We praise You, O God of light,
that in You there is no darkness at all.
We are Your children;
help us to walk as children of the light.
Illumine our lives with Your Word of truth,
that we might know ourselves and see our great need for You.
We are afraid to be seen as we really are,
and yet, O God, You know us through and through.
Help me to see again that Jesus died for all of my sin,
even those which I don't want to let go.
Impress upon me that since I have been crucified with Christ,
I am dead to my sin.
How can I go on living in it?
Lord, I cry out to You in my need.
Be pleased to help me, O God,
through Jesus my Savior and Light,
who rescues me from the darkness.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

For with You is the fountain of life; in Your light do we see light.

Psalm 36:9

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

* Hymn of Response

“Sing, Ye Saints”

ADMIRE AND WONDER

8:00: Verses 1–3—all

9:30/11:00: Verse 1—choir; Verses 2–3—all



1. Sing, ye saints, ad - mire and won - der, Je - sus' match - less love a -
2. Sing, though sense and world - ly rea - son tries to stop the joy - ful
3. Sing, ye saints, ad - mire and won - der, Je - sus' match - less love a -



dore: Sing, for Si - nai's aw - ful thun - der shall up - on you burst no
song: Sing, and count it high - est trea - son for a saint to hold his
dore: Sing, for Si - nai's aw - ful thund - er shall up - on you burst no



more. Sing, in spite of Sa - tan's ly - ing; Sing, though
tongue. Sing ye loud, whose ho - ly call - ing your e -
more. Sing, for you shall heav'n in - her - it, sing, and



sins are black and large; Sing, for Je - sus, by His dy - ing, set you
lec - tion plain - ly shows; Sing, nor fear a fi - nal fall - ing, Je - sus'
ne'er the song have done: Sing to Fa - ther, Son, and Spi - rit, One in



free from ev' - ry charge, set you free from ev' - ry charge.
love no chang - es knows, Je - sus' love no chang - es knows.
Three, and Three in One, — One in Three, and Three in One.

Prayer of Intercession & Offertory Prayer

*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

“He’s Got the Whole World In His Hand”
Mr. Nielson, piano

*Margaret Bonds
arr. S. Nielson*

9:30/11:00

“Be Still, My Soul”
Chancel Choir · Dr. Nathan Davy, organ
J. Marty Cope, conductor

arr. Mack Wilberg

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.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF RULING ELDERS AND DEACONS

— 9:30/11:00 —

ELDERS:

Class of 2030:

George Ball
Pete Flowers*
Jerry Gibson*
Eric Horan*

DEACONS:

Andrew Edson*

**Previously ordained (installation only)*

Explanation of Ordination and Installation

Mr. Davis

Questions to Officer Candidates

1. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as originally given, to be the inerrant Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice?
2. Do you sincerely receive and adopt the Confession of Faith and the Catechisms of this church, as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures; and do you further promise that if at any time you find yourself out of accord with any of the fundamentals of this system of doctrine, you will, on your own initiative, make known to your Session the change which has taken place in your views since the assumption of this ordination vow?
3. Do you approve of the form of government and discipline of the Presbyterian Church in America, in conformity with the general principles of biblical polity?
4. Do you accept the office of ruling elder or deacon in this church, and promise faithfully to perform all of the duties thereof, and to endeavor by the grace of God to adorn the profession of the Gospel in your life, and to set a worthy example before the church of which God has made you an officer?
5. Do you promise subjection to your brethren in the Lord?
6. Do you promise to strive for the purity, peace, unity, and edification of the church?

Question to the Congregation

Do you, the members of this church, acknowledge and receive these brothers as ruling elders and deacons, as the case may be, and do you promise to yield them all that honor, encouragement, and obedience in the Lord to which their respective offices, according to the Word of God and the Constitution of this church, entitle them?

Prayer of Ordination and Installation

9:30 Kirk Pogoloff, *elder*
11:00 Greg Russell, *elder*

Pronouncement of Ordination and Installation

Mr. Davis

Right Hand of Fellowship

* Hymn

“Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated”

HENDON

Take my life, and let it be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to —
 Take my love; my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its treas - ure—

Thee. Take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in
 store. Take my self, and I will be ev - er on - ly,

cease - less praise, let them flow in cease - less praise.
 all for Thee, ev - er, on - ly, all for Thee.

Charge to the Congregation

Tim Jeffress, *elder*

* The Scripture Reading: Ephesians 4:25-27

²⁵ *Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another.*

²⁶ *Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger,*

²⁷ and give no opportunity to the devil.

Sermon

“Truth, Lies, and the Proper Limitation of Anger”

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

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!

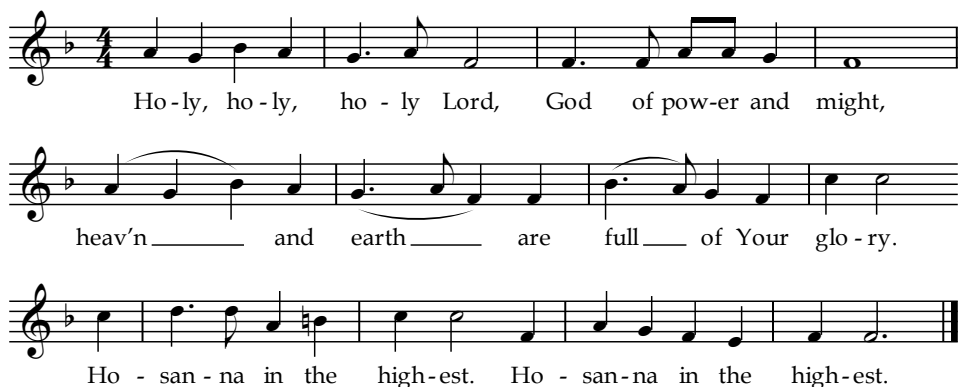
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

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:**



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

"A Mighty Fortress"

EIN' FESTE BURG



1. A might - y for - tress is our God, a
 2. Did we in our own strength con - fide, our
 3. And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should
 4. That Word a - bove all earth - ly pow'rs, no



bul - wark nev - er fail - ing; our help - er He a -
 striv - ing would be los - ing; were not the right Man
 threat - en to un - do us, we will not fear, for
 thanks to them, a - bid - eth; the Spir - it and the



mid the flood of mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing.
 on our side, the Man of God's own choos - ing.
 God hath willed His truth to tri - umph through us.
 gifts are ours through Him who with us sid - eth.



For still our an - cient foe doth seek to work us
 Dost ask who that may be? Christ Je - sus it is
 The prince of dark - ness grim, we trem - ble not for
 Let goods and kin - dred go, this mor - tal life al -



woe; His craft and pow'r are great; and armed with
 He, Lord Sa - ba - oth His name, from age to
 him; his rage we can en - dure, for lo, his
 so; the bod - y they may kill: God's truth a -



cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.
 age the same, and He must win the bat - tle.
 doom is sure; one lit - tle word shall fell him.
 bid - eth still; His king - dom is for - ev - er.

* Benediction

Minister: Now may the eternal God who is your refuge, be the rock that
 is beneath you, the tower that is around you, the shelter that is
 above you this day and all the days until Jesus comes.

People: Thanks be to God! Amen!

Postlude

8:00

"God Is Working His Purpose Out"

PURPOSE

Mr. Nielson, piano

9:30/11:00

"Now Thank We All Our God"

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

Dr. Davy, organ

** Please stand if you are able.*

The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God and in memory of our son, Aaron Chapple Overton, on his birthday from his loving parents, Mary and George Jackson.



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

Ministers: The members of this church family who, in serving their Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ, extend His Kingdom in Dallas and to the world.

Senior Pastor
The Rev. Mark Davis

Assistant Pastors
The Rev. Dr. Pete Deison (*emeritus*) The Rev. Bill Lamberth (*emeritus*)
The Rev. Matt Fray The Rev. Sam Leopold
The Rev. Pete Hatton The Rev. Tommy Overton
The Rev. Robby Higginbottom The Rev. Dr. Robert Rucker

Session

The Rev. Mark Davis <i>Moderator</i>	Jim Morris, Jr. <i>Clerk</i>
John Bateman	David Newman
Jack Denman, Jr.	Rick Owen
Don Dillahunt	Kirk Pogoloff
Lance Gurley	Dennis Roossien
Houston Hunt	Greg Russell
Tim Jeffress	John Ward
Bob McCamey	Randy Wood
Ben Moffitt	

SERMON NOTES

Ephesians 4:25-27

“Truth, Lies, and the Proper Limitation of Anger”

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. Given the context, why does Paul begin this list with falsehood and truth?
2. What is the motivation/reason to be truthful?
3. What are ways we live in falsehood? How do we lie without speaking a word?
4. What does lying reveal about our hearts in the moment?
5. What definition of anger was shared today? What might anger reveal?
6. What are the right and wrong types of anger?
7. Why is it important to not let the sun go down on your anger? What does this practically mean?
8. How does our union with Christ inform and empower the way we think about and respond to these exhortations?

Highlights

AUGUST 23, 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



Fall Kickoff

Launching September 13-18

Join us as we abide in Christ and connect with one another at PCPC. Registration is open for our fall classes and studies!

- Alongside, Grief Support Group, DivorceCare, & Spiritual Life of A Man
- Men's, Women's, & Couple's Bible Studies
- Middle & High School Small Groups
- Midweek Dinner & Classes
- UNION (Pre-Marriage Class)

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Special Events

Men's Night of Worship & Dinner

THURSDAY, AUG. 27 | 6:30 P.M. | REGISTER

Communicant Class Parent Meeting

SUNDAY, AUG. 30 | 11:00 A.M.

Wednesday Word & Table

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 9 | 12:00 P.M. | CHAPEL

Women's Night of Worship & Prayer

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 9 | 6:30 P.M.

60+ Community: Metanoia Prison Ministry

FRIDAY, SEPT. 11 | 11:30 A.M.

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Companion Course on Prayer

Wednesdays, beginning Sept. 16

7:00 P.M. | SANCTUARY

This course is intended to give you space to slow down and consider more deeply what it means to know and enjoy God. Mark Davis, together with Resident Theologian Dr. Mark McDowell, will walk us through the Lord's Prayer, paying careful attention to how prayer should shape our everyday lives.

pcpc.org/midweek



New Members Class

September 13–November 1

9:30 A.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Is the Lord calling you to be a member of PCPC? Our New Members Class gives you the opportunity to explore PCPC's beliefs and mission. Registration is open.

pcpc.org/membership

Installation & Welcome Luncheon

On Sunday, August 30, during the 9:30 & 11:00 a.m. worship services, we will install:

- Dustin Hunt as the PCPC Pastor of Church Planting & Executive Director of Southwest Church Planting Network
- Dr. Mark McDowell as an Assistant Pastor (Theologian in Residence)

Join us for a welcome luncheon at 12:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please register to attend the luncheon.

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Download the PCPC App with iOS or Android device to give online (including setting up recurring gifts).

GENERAL FUND

2026/2027 Operating Budget	\$18,300,000
Jul 1, 2026–Aug 16, 2026 Budget	\$1,870,929
Jul 1, 2026–Aug 16, 2026 Giving	\$1,986,743
Budget Variance	\$115,813