

Park Cities Presbyterian Church

October 4, 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

October 4, 2026
8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Mark Davis

Prelude

8:00

“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”
Stephen Nielson, *piano*

LAUDA ANIMA

9:30/11:00

“Promised Land”
Steve Barnes, *percussion* · J. Marty Cope, *piano*

arr. Joseph Martin

* Call to Worship

Minister: O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth!

People: You have set Your glory above the heavens.

Minister: When I look at Your heavens, the work of Your fingers,

People: the moon and the stars, which You have set in place,

Minister: what is man that You are mindful of him,

People: and the son of man that You care for him?

Minister: O LORD, our Lord,

People: how majestic is Your name in all the earth!

Psalm 8:1, 3-4, 9

* Hymn of Praise

“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

ELLACOMBE



1. I sing the might - y power of God, that made the
2. I sing the good - ness of the Lord, that filled the
3. There's not a plant or flower be - low, but makes Thy



moun - tains rise; That spread the flow - ing seas a - broad, and
earth with food; He formed the crea - tures with His word, and
glo - ries known; and clouds a - rise and tem - pests blow, by



built the loft - y skies. I — sing the Wis - dom
then pro - nounced them good. Lord, how Thy won - ders
or - der from Thy throne; While all that bor - rows



that or - dained the — sun to rule the day; The moon shines
are dis - played, wher - e'er I turn my eye: If I sur -
life from Thee is — ev - er in Thy care, And ev - ery -



full at His com - mand, and all — the stars o - bey.
vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!
where that man can be, Thou, God, art pres - ent there.

* Prayer of Adoration

* Profession of Faith

8:00 The Rev. Rob Rucker
9:30/11:00 The Rev. Dustin Hunt

**We confess and acknowledge one God alone,
to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve,
whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust.**

**Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable,
incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible;
one in substance and yet distinct in three Persons,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.**

**By whom we confess and believe all things
in heaven and earth, visible and invisible,
to have been created, to be retained in their being,
and to be ruled and guided by His inscrutable providence
for such end as His eternal wisdom,
goodness, and justice have appointed,
and to the manifestation of His own glory. Amen.**

Old Scots Confession (1560), Article 1

* Hymn

“Come, People of the Risen King”

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1. Come, peo - ple of the ris - en King who de - light to
2. Come, those whose joy is morn - ing sun, and those weep - ing
3. Come, young and old from ev - 'ry land, men and wom - en



bring Him praise; Come all and tune your hearts to sing
through the night. Come, those who tell of bat - tles won,
of the faith. Come, those with full or emp - ty hands;



to the Morn - ing Star of grace. From the shift - ing shad - ows
and those strug - gling in the fight. For His per - fect love will
find the rich - es of His grace. O - ver all the world His



of the earth, we will lift our eyes to Him, where stead - y
nev - er change, and His mer - cies nev - er cease, but fol - low
peo - ple sing; shore to shore we hear them call. The Truth that



arms of mer - cy reach to — gath - er chil - dren in.
us through all our days with the cer - tain hope of peace.
cries through ev - 'ry age: "Our — God is all in all!"

Refrain



Re - joice, re - joice! Let ev - 'ry tongue re -



joice. One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, re - joice.

Public Confession of Sin

Our God, we praise You
that we have been brought out of the kingdom of darkness
into Your marvelous light.
May Your Spirit's perfect light
penetrate into every crevice of our beings,
making us more and more into the likeness
of our Savior Jesus,
in whom there is no darkness.
Lord, we lament how the shadows of darkness
linger in us causing us to sin,
keeping us from loving You
and one another as we ought.
We have often been fooled into thinking
that we have overcome a specific sin,
only to find that the roots remain deep and strong.
Our relationships are filled with stress:
grievances are not easily forgotten,
love for others does not always come
from a joyful and willing heart.
We long for purity of heart and mind,
of affection and will.
We long for Your Spirit to bear in us
the fruit of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,
goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.
Please grant this to us for Your glory
and for the good of Your Church and the world.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross.

Colossians 1:19-20

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

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

“Prelude in D Major”
Mr. Nielson, *piano*

Johannes Brahms

*Adorn Yourself with majesty and dignity;
clothe Yourself with glory and splendor.*

Job 40:10

9:30/11:00

“In Zion”

Tanzanian, arr. Bell

Chancel Choir · Hayden Ponder, soloist · J. Marty Cope, conductor

*In Zion, Lord, with you we'll abide. Heaven is our home, though untried.
No more doubt, no more; we must decide.
Hear the Savior calling us; He wants us by his side.*

*While still here, there is work to be done: The good news to share with each one.
Day departs, departs with setting sun.
It is urgent that all know the great gift, God's own son.*

*Be ready and await that great day when we meet the Lord in dawn's ray.
Purest joy, purest without dismay.
The warm welcome in heaven: It's for this that we pray.*

*Behold them, Countless hosts dressed in white. Songs on their lips in the height.
Boundless throngs, boundless, praising His might.
From each nation all ages praise the Lamb: what a sight!*

* Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures
here below; praise Him above ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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.** Check-in kiosks are available in the Nursery, Preschool, and Elementary Welcome areas.

Extending the Kingdom: Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministers	Ministers in Training	Stephen Leaders
Scott Carlson	Bridget Bell	Julie Hickman
Nancy Christy	Bill Bogart	Marisa Paden
Rick Christy	Katie Brunone	Robert Rucker
Norm Haas	Peter Brunone	John Vandercook
Julie Hickman	Kathy Craine	
Amy May	Kieran Cunningham	<i>In training:</i>
Todd Miner	Angela Farley	Rick Christy
John Vandercook	Keith Mullen	Todd Miner
	Patty Smith	Erynn McNeill
	Jill Williams	

*** The Scripture Reading: Ephesians 5:22–33**

- ²² *Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord.*
- ²³ *For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the Church, His body, and is Himself its Savior.*
- ²⁴ *Now as the Church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.*
- ²⁵ *Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the Church and gave Himself up for her,*
- ²⁶ *that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the Word,*
- ²⁷ *so that He might present the Church to Himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.*
- ²⁸ *In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.*
- ²⁹ *For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the Church,*
- ³⁰ *because we are members of His body.*
- ³¹ *“Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.”*
- ³² *This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the Church.*
- ³³ *However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.*

Sermon “The Marks of Redemption in the Mystery of Marriage” 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!

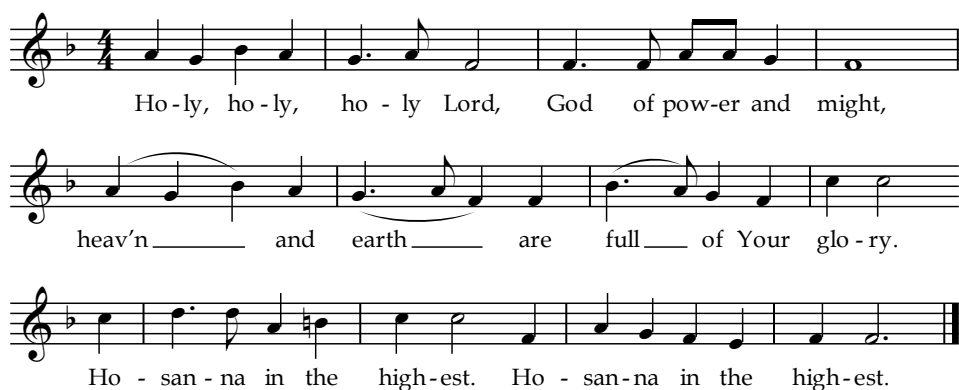
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

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:**



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**

“The Church’s One Foundation”

AURELIA



1. The chur - ch's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus
 2. E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er
 3. 'Mid toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult
 4. Yet she on earth hath un - ion with God the



Christ her Lord; she is His new cre - a - tion by
 all the earth, her char - ter of sal - va - tion one
 of her war, she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of
 Three in One, and mys - tic sweet com - mun - ion with



wa - ter and the Word: from heav'n He came and
 Lord, one faith, one birth; one ho - ly name she
 peace for - ev - er - more; till with the vi - sion
 those whose rest is won. O hap - py ones and



sought her to be His ho - ly bride; with His own
 bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food, and to one
 glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest, and the great
 ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we, like them, the



blood He bought her, and for her life He died.
 hope she press - es, with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
 church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
 meek and low - ly, on high may dwell with Thee.

* **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.

People: Thanks be to God! Amen!

Postlude

8:00

“Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder”
 Mr. Nielson, *piano*

ALL SAINTS OLD

9:30/11:00

“Wir glauben all an einen Gott”, BWV 680
 (“We All Believe in One True God”)
 Mr. Cope, *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,
and in celebration of 30 years of remission from leukemia for Allison,
and with gratitude for PCPC's ministry staff and congregation,
by Rod, Allison and Hunter Johnson.*



**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. Matt Fray

The Rev. Pete Hatton

The Rev. Robby Higginbottom

The Rev. Dustin Hunt

The Rev. Bill Lamberth (*emeritus*)

The Rev. Sam Leopold

The Rev. Dr. Mark McDowell

The Rev. Tommy Overton

The Rev. Dr. Robert Rucker

Session

The Rev. Mark Davis
Moderator

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John Bateman

Don Dillahunt

Pete Flowers

Jerry Gibson

Lance Gurley

Eric Horan

Houston Hunt

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SERMON NOTES

Ephesians 5:22-33

“The Marks of Redemption in the Mystery of Marriage”



If you would like help in dealing with any of the things you've heard today, visit pcpc.org/care or contact care@pcpc.org.

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 is the biblical understanding of submission?
2. What is the first submission that must take place in the lives of all who follow Jesus? What happens if we fail in this submission?
3. Where does the blueprint for Paul's instructions to wives and husbands originate? Why is this important?
4. To whom are wives to submit? Are there limits to their submission?
5. What are the biblical motives for a wife's submission?
6. What is the biblical call for the husband? How is he to fulfill his role in God's design?
7. What are the biblical motives for a husband's headship?
8. What does the husband not have the right to do as the head?
9. How does marriage according to Paul's teaching reflect the marks and mystery of redemption?
10. How is Christ our model in each of the roles of marriage?
11. How does a marriage lived according to this framework shine the radiance of Christ?
12. How might the secular world's view of this biblical framework tempt us to distance ourselves from God's design? What is the consequence of this distancing?

Highlights

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What's Next?

Join us today for Newcomers' Coffee; our 15-minute gathering for those who are new to PCPC or looking to get more connected. Meets the first Sunday of each month from 10:45-11:00 a.m. in the Connections Meeting Room at the north end of the Grand Hall – look for the Connect banner. You can also discover more at the Information Center in the Grand Hall.

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



Stephen Ministry

When life gets too heavy to carry alone, a trained Stephen Minister walks with you with Christ-centered care for as long as it takes. Sign up online to volunteer or receive care.

pcpc.org/care/stephen-ministry

Parish Dinners

October 11-30

Parish dinners are happening across the city as a simple and powerful way to connect with one another and make our big church feel a little smaller. Details and registration are available online. Use the map to find your parish and see what dinners are available in your parish.

pcpc.org/parish



The Bridge: What's Her Story?

Tuesday, October 13

6:30 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Women of all ages will connect through food, friends, and testimony. We will hear PCPC Member Darian Reichert share her story of how Christ has moved in her life. A light dinner will be provided for \$5. No registration required.

pcpc.org/women

A One Another Weekend

Saturday, November 7

Relationships, Marriages, and Other Messes: A One Another Weekend is an encouraging and redemptive Saturday (9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.) for anyone who wants to better understand the beautiful, complicated, and sometimes messy relationships God has placed in your life.

pcpc.org/news-events

Voter Registration

Registered to vote at the November 3 election? Register at PCPC today outside the Library near the Chapel foyer, 8:00 a.m.–12:45 p.m.

Employment Opportunities

We are hiring! PCPC has several career opportunities currently available.

careers.pcpc.org

Special Events

Young Adult Serve Saturday

SATURDAY, OCT. 17 | 9:00 A.M.

Church in the City

SUNDAY, OCT. 18 | 12:30 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

An Evening with Birds & Bees

TUESDAY, OCT. 20 | 7:00 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Fall Children's Chapel

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 21 | 5:00 P.M. | SANCTUARY

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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–Sept 27, 2026 Budget	\$3,377,461
Jul 1, 2026–Sept 27, 2026 Giving	\$3,800,111
Budget Variance	\$422,650