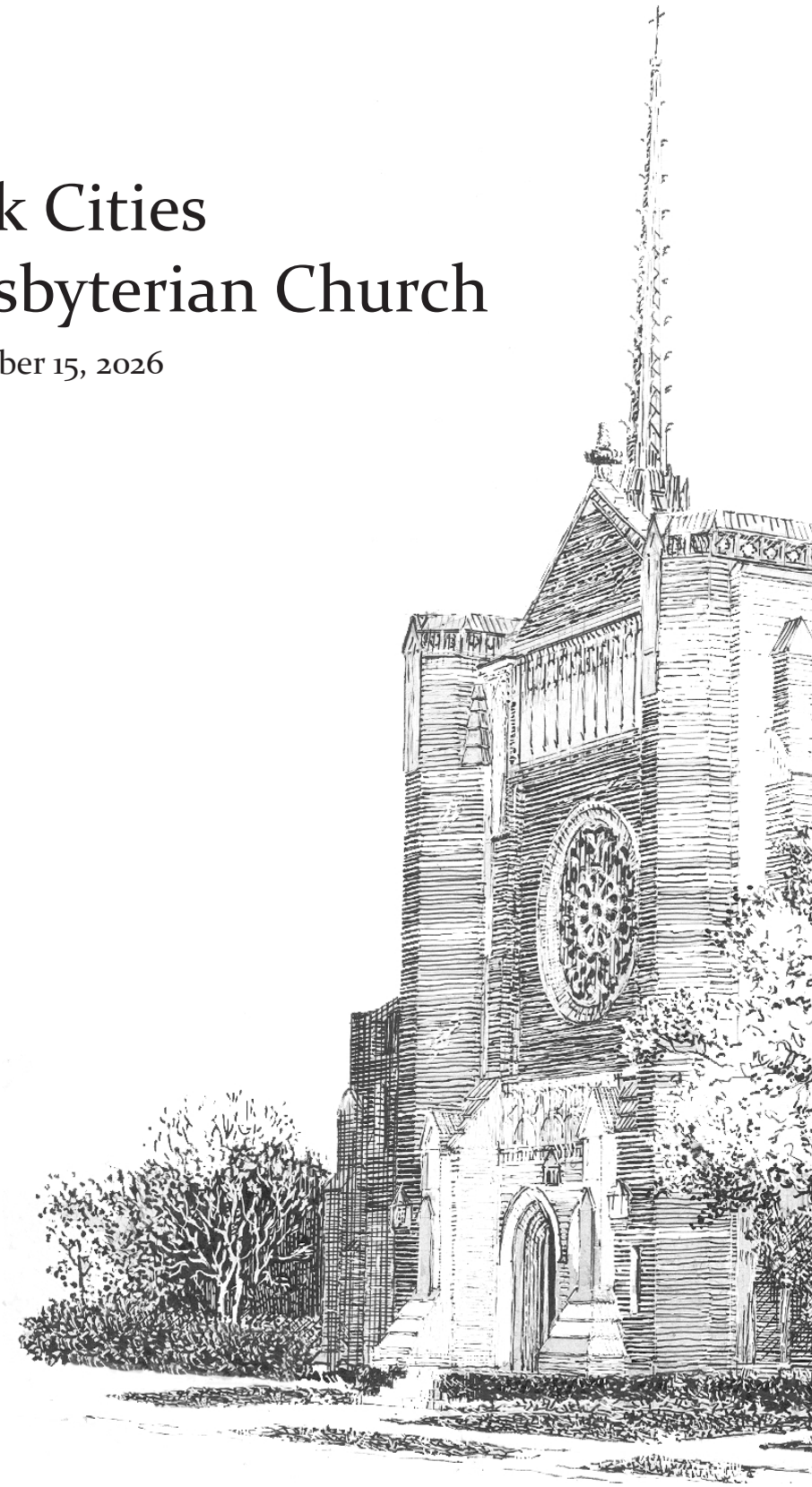
Park Cities Presbyterian Church

November 15, 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

November 15, 2026
8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements The Rev. Robby Higginbottom

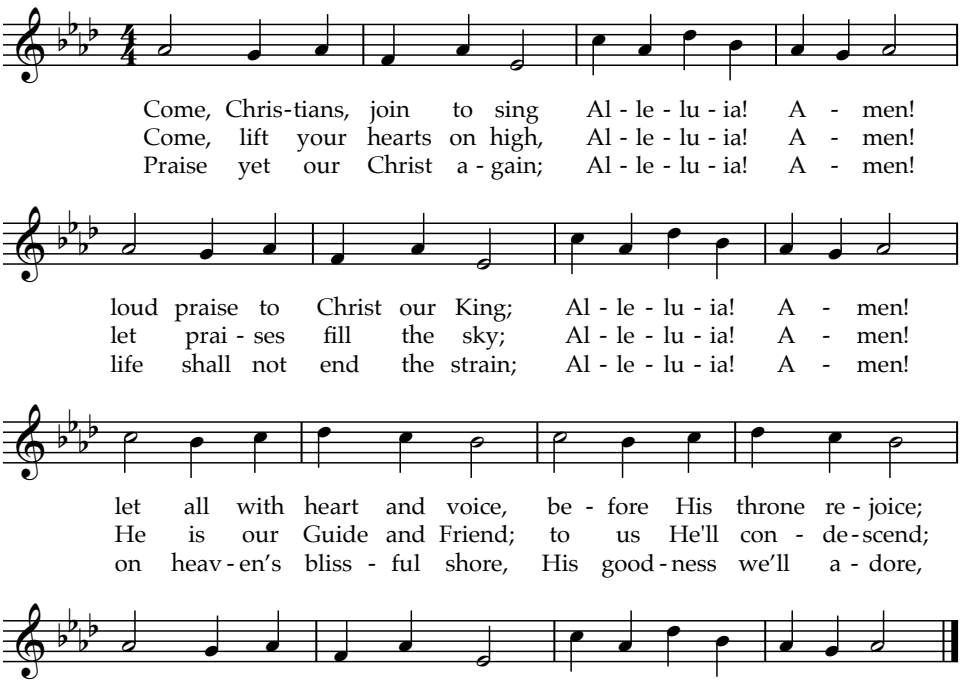
Choral Introit "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" *OLIVET*
9:30/11:00 Chancel Choir

My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine:
Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away,
O let me from this day be wholly Thine.

* **Call to Worship**

Minister: The Lord is my strength and my shield;
in Him my heart trusts, and I am helped;
People: my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to Him.
The Lord is the strength of His people;
Minister: **He is the saving refuge of His anointed.**
Oh, save Your people and bless Your heritage!
People: Be their Shepherd and carry them forever. *Psalm 28:7–9*

* **Hymn of Praise** "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" *MADRID*



*** Prayer of Adoration**

*** Profession of Faith** The Rev. Robert Rucker

Minister: What is your only comfort in life and death?
People: That I belong—
body and soul,
in life and 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, Q&A 1

Musical Acclamation "Come, Thou Fount of Ev'ry Blessing" *arr. Jill Smith*
9:30/11:00
Carol & Chapel Choirs
Hannah Clarke, *director* · Josiah Hamill, *piano*
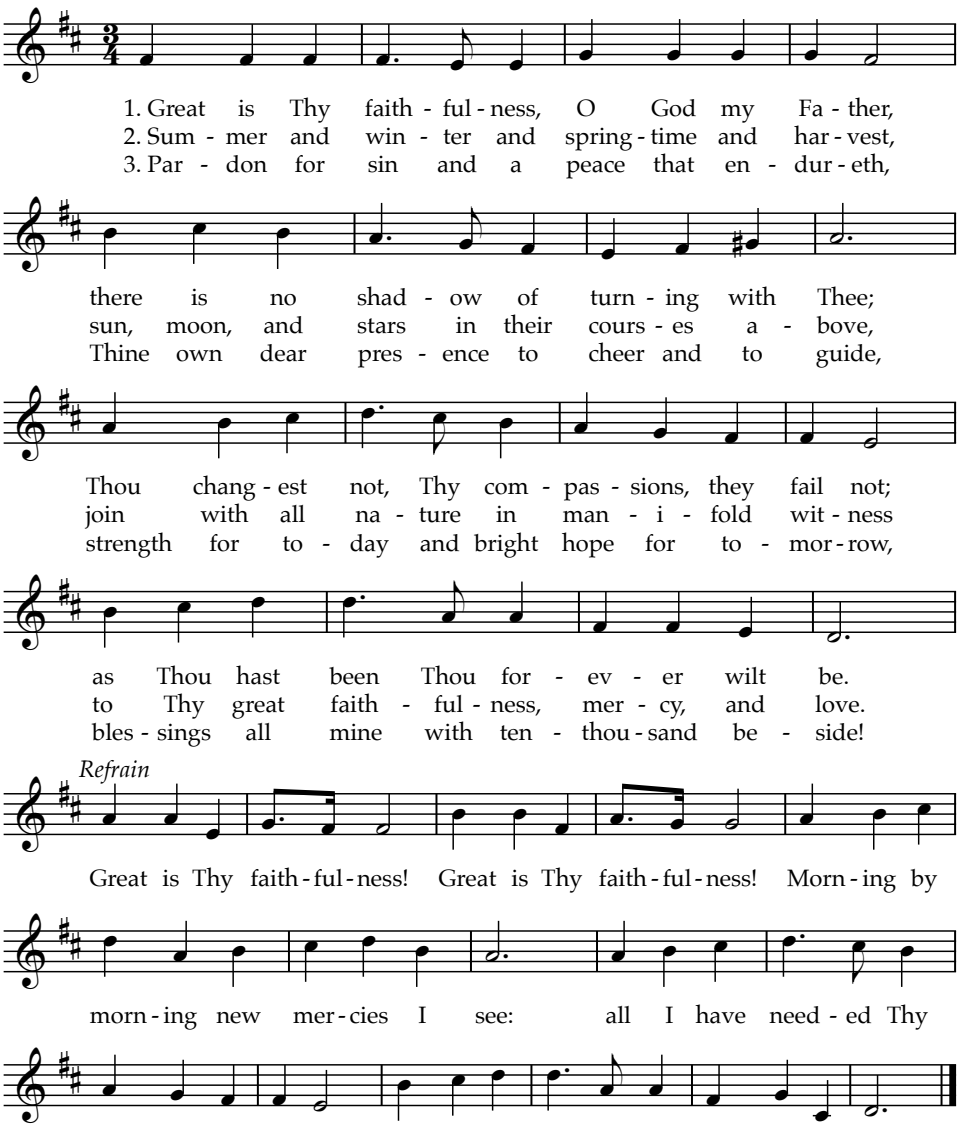
Come, Thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God:
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.

Please join in singing when so directed.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to Thee.
Prone to wander—Lord, I feel it—prone to leave the God I love:
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

*** Hymn** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" *FAITHFULNESS*



Sacrament of Baptism

9:30

Timothy James Ericson
Anna Ruth Foose
William Scott Neumann

11:00

Celia Jane Haring
Margot Kate Troiani
Thomas Bright Vernon
Henry Shelton Vise

Parental Vows

1. Do you acknowledge your children's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God's covenant promises on their behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for their salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your children to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before them a godly example, that you will pray with and for them, that you will teach them the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

Congregational Vow

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting these parents in the Christian nurture of their children?

*** Hymn** "Jesus Loves Me" *JESUS LOVES ME*
9:30/11:00

Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong: they are weak but He is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Public Confession of Sin

O Merciful Father,
You have freed me from the dominion of the devil
and from the guilt of my sin,
bestowing to me the riches of Christ,
yet I confess to You the power and allure
that sin still has in my life.
O God, all of my affections, motives, and desires
need to be refined in the fire of Your purity!
Let not Your Spirit depart from me.
Hide me in Christ,
my Savior and Advocate,
my strength and my shield,
that I would not hear the voice of the charmer,
and might be delivered from his lusts.
Help me to take everything I can see
and use it for Your eternal, unseen purpose,
so that Christ would truly be glorified in my life.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like mist; return to Me, for I have redeemed you. *Isaiah 44:22*

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

Choral Response "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" *OLIVET*
9:30/11:00 Chancel Choir

While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs around me spread, be Thou my guide;
Bid darkness turn to day, wipe sorrow's tears away,
Nor let me ever stray from Thee aside.

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 "Adagietto Cantabile" *Luc Heuer*
Stephen Nielson, *piano*

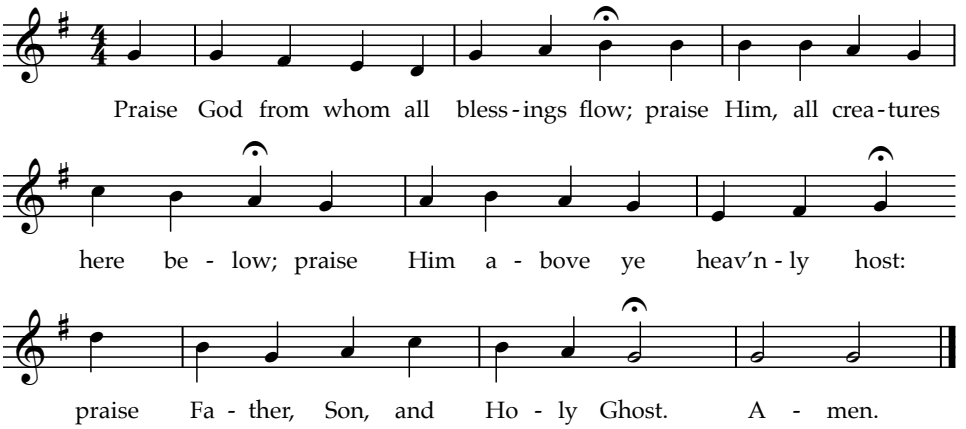
9:30/11:00 "New Songs of Celebration Render" *Routley/*
Chancel Choir · Margaret Fischer, *flute* *Genevan Psalter*
J. Marty Cope, *conductor*

New songs of celebration render to Him who has great wonders done;
Love sits enthroned in ageless splendor; come and adore the mighty One!
He has made known His great salvation, which all His friends with joy confess.
He has revealed to every nation His everlasting righteousness.

Joyfully, heartily resounding, let every instrument and voice peal out
The praise of grace abounding, calling the whole world to rejoice.
Trumpets and organs, set in motion such sounds as make the heavens ring;
All things that live in earth and ocean make music for your mighty King.

Rivers and seas and torrents roaring, honor the Lord with wild acclaim;
Mountains and stones, look up adoring, and find a voice to praise His name.
Righteous, commanding, ever glorious, praises be His that never cease:
Just is our God, whose truth victorious establishes the world in peace.

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

*** The Scripture Reading: Ephesians 6:10–17**

10 *Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might.*
11 *Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil.*
12 *For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.*
13 *Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm.*
14 *Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness,*

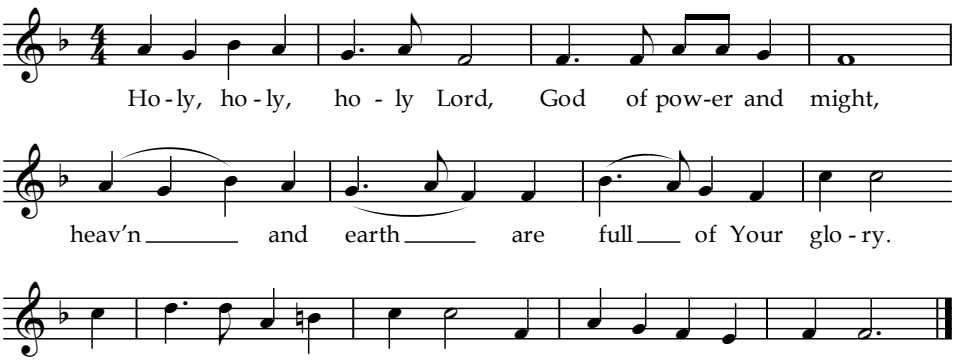
15 *and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace.*
16 *In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one;*
17 *and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God [...]*

Sermon "The Whole Armor of God" Mr. Higginbottom

Worshipers 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:



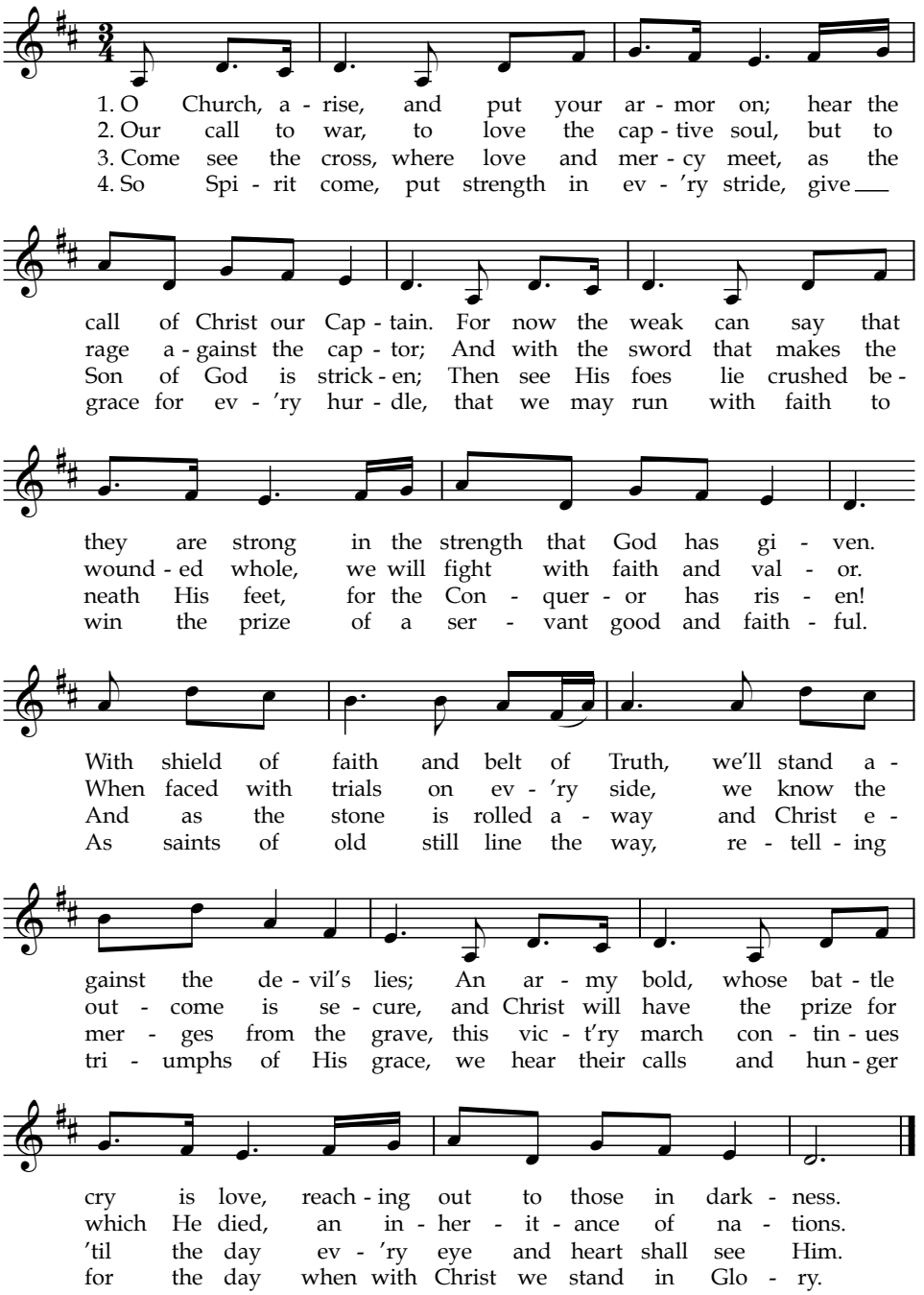
Minister: Holy and Gracious God,
People: We do not come to Your Table trusting in our righteousness, but resting in Your abundant grace and rich mercy. Help us, O Holy Spirit, to earnestly examine our repentance, love, and new obedience, that we may partake worthily. Amen.

*** 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** "O Church, Arise" *Townend/Getty*



*** Benediction**

Minister: The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. *Romans 16:20*

People: Thanks be to God! Amen!

Postlude

8:00 "Thanks Be to God" *G. F. Handel*
Mr. Nielson, *piano*

9:30/11:00 "Toccata Brevis" *Daniel Gawthrop*
Mr. Cope, *organ*

** Please stand if you are able.*

The flowers are given to the glory of God by Tara and Scott Neumann in celebration of the baptism of their son, William Scott Neumann, and the covenant children of PCPC baptized this morning.



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.

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The Rev. Tommy Overton
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The Rev. Mark Davis
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Sermon Notes

Ephesians 6:10–17
"The Whole Armor of 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. In our daily life, to what extent are we aware of the spiritual battle that Paul describes (vv. 12)?

2. How do we make "flesh and blood" our main problem?

3. "Take up the whole armor of God" (v. 13). What does this command say about God's role and our role in equipping us for battle? How do we see this balance elsewhere in Ephesians?

4. Why does Paul repeatedly emphasize standing (vv. 11, 13, 14)?

5. The Belt (v. 14) — What is one lie that we're tempted to believe?

6. The Breastplate (v. 14) — To what or to whom do we look for justification and approval? How does the righteousness of Christ protect us?

7. Shoes (v. 15) — How does the gospel make us ready both to be agile and to stand our ground?

8. Shield (v. 16) — What is one flaming dart of the evil one in our lives? How does faith in a particular promise of God help us to extinguish this fiery arrow?

9. Helmet (v. 17) — Why is knowledge of the Lord's salvation so important in the battle for our minds?

10. Sword (v. 17) — What's one part of our lives where we need the Word of God to help us fight? List 2–3 Scripture passages that would equip you in this area. (If you need help, ask a friend.)

11. How did our Lord Jesus "take up the whole armor of God" and win the victory for us? How do we avail ourselves of His strength?

Highlights NOVEMBER 15, 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

International Student Thanksgiving Potluck

Friday, November 20

6:00 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Welcome SMU international students with an American Thanksgiving dinner and fellowship. Please sign up to bring food.

pcpc.org/news-events

Poinsettias in the Sanctuary

Purchase a poinsettia in memory or honor of a friend or loved one to be displayed in the Sanctuary for Advent. Poinsettias are $6 per plant. Reservations are open online through Nov. 23.

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Boxes of Blessing

Saturday, December 5

8:30-11:30 A.M. | 6100 CEDAR SPRINGS RD

Bring your family and friends to help us extend the Kingdom of Christ to our city by filling 11,000 boxes of food. We are looking for people with trucks or large SUVs to help with deliveries to ministry partners again this year. Sign up online.

pcpc.org/boxes

Year-End Giving

In order to comply with IRS regulations, Thursday, Dec. 31, is the deadline for donations to be receipted for 2026. Contact *cheli.conejo@pcpc.org* for stock donation instructions. Please note that mutual fund donations can take up to one month to process. Thank you for your generous stewardship of all God has given.

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Family Camp

Family Camp is a special opportunity for PCPC families to gather for a week of rest, connection, and fun under the shepherding of one of our pastors in beautiful Sky Ranch at Ute Trail, Colorado. We have openings the weeks of July 18–24 and July 25–31, 2027. Email us to find out more!

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Special Events

Friendsgiving (Middle School Girls)

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 18 | 7:00 P.M. | THE HANGOUT

The Gathering (High School)

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 18 | 7:15 P.M. | THE LOFT

Women's Advent Prayer

TUESDAY, DEC. 1 | 7:00 P.M. | CHAPEL

Advent Memorial Service

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 2 | 5:30 P.M. | CHAPEL

Family Advent Service

SUNDAY, DEC. 6 | 4:30 P.M. | SANCTUARY

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Scan QR code for pcpc.org/give/, and read PCPC's biblical Principles of Stewardship.

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–Nov 8, 2026 Budget	$5,085,144
Jul 1, 2026–Nov 8, 2026 Giving	$5,566,491
Budget Variance	$481,347