



PINES

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LOOKING UPWARD - GROWING INWARD - SERVING OUTWARD

Growing Inward

Prelude

Gathering for Worship

Introit

***Call to Worship**

Brad Hofstetter

One Voice: When we have to climb a tree to look for help,
Christ proclaims:

All Voices: I am coming to your house today!

One Voice: When we feel lost, and have nowhere to turn,
Christ assures us:

All Voices: I am coming to your house today!

One Voice: Christ is coming. Christ is with us even now.

All Voices: Worship the Lord with joy and praise!

***Hymn**

“Hear the Good News of Salvation”

See Screen

Prayer of Confession

See Screen

God of new beginnings,
come to us in our need,
for we are weary and afraid;
hear our pleas for mercy,
for many are beaten down by hatred and violence;
respond to our longing for friendship,
for we are lonely and depressed.

God of endless love,
visit our hearts this day,
and shower us with forgiveness and mercy,
that our lives may be mended
and set on the path of salvation,
through the glory of your Son.

Silent Confession

Confessional Response

“Healer of Our Every Ill”

See Screen

Assurance of Grace

One Voice: Rich, poor; young, old; sinner, saint. We are all God’s
children, and God transforms each of us into the people we
are meant to be.

**All Voices: Broken, we are mended; separated from others, we are
made one; longing to serve, we are sent forth. Thanks be
to God, we are forgiven. Amen.**

TODAY
November 2, 2025
IN WORSHIP

Welcome to Pines

Pines is a joyful Christian community that welcomes all. Our Mission is to make disciples who know, love, and trust in Jesus Christ. We live into our Mission by Looking Upward, Growing Inward, and Serving Outward.

Helpful devices: Auditory assistance receivers are available from the Ushers.

Liturgist: Brad Hofstetter

Sound: Dan Schafer

Pines Presbyterian Church is located at 12751 Kimberley Lane Houston, Texas 77024 ~ 713-467-2234 ~ pinespc.org

Flowers: In lieu of Sanctuary flowers today, the Hofstetters have made a donation to Raise Up Families in honor of the birthdays of Brad’s mom, Becky, and son William.

A Congregation of the



Children's Message

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.

Looking Upward

Anthem "Take Time to Be Holy" Chancel Choir
Duane Blakley

Gospel Reading Luke 19:1-10

Sermon "Tree Climbing" Rev. Andy Gans

Serving Outward

***Hymn** "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God" See Screen

***Saying What We Believe** See Screen

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
from then he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.

***Gloria Patri** See Screen

Remembering Our Saints

Anne Beall	Eleanor Loose
Carolyn Craig	Melissa Sandstrom
Brian Lacy	Darlene Wendt
Dolores Leach	

Offering and Offertory

*Doxology

Communion of the People and The Lord's Prayer

***Hymn** "Amazing Grace" See Screen

*Charge and Benediction

***Benediction Response** "We Are One in the Spirit, v. 1" See Screen

Postlude

Pray for the People of Pines

Sara Anderson	Angie Mills
Jean Breitenwischer	Donna Partee
Barbara Caffall	Tim Timmons
Marsha Deison	Juanita Vislocky
Sydney DeLaSalle	Nancy Watler
Elizabeth Deraps	Danny Williams
Sharon Dotson	Bill Willis

Pray for Friends in Mission

Joy Kreider

Pray for Pines Members and their family in the Military:

Olivia Williams (Army)
Jackie Hayre (Navy)

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name. Thy
kingdom come, thy will be done, on
earth as it is in heaven. Give us this
day our daily bread; and forgive us
our debts, as we forgive our
debtors; and lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the
power and the glory, forever.
Amen.

A Stephen Ministry



Congregation

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Calendar for the Week of November 2, 2025

Sunday		
12:00 pm	Youth	Youth Rooms
Monday		
12:00 pm	This Week at Pines to Dan	
1:00 pm	Congregational Fellowship Committee meeting	C7
6:00 pm	Property Committee meeting	C7
7:00 pm	Tending to Grief meeting	Parlor
7:30 pm	AI Anon Group	Fellowship Hall
Tuesday		
7:00 am	Voting	Fellowship Hall
7:00 am	Men's Bible Study	Zoom
9:00 am	Bulletin articles due to Laurie	
Wednesday		
1:30 pm	Weekly Prayer Team	Prayer Room
7:00 pm	Chancel Choir rehearsal	Choir Room
7:30 pm	Westside AA	C3
Thursday		
8:00 pm	AA Group	C3
Friday		
7:00 am	Taco and a Prayer	Fellowship Hall
Saturday		
9:00 am	Property Work Day	
Sunday		
9:15 am	Sunday School	
10:45 am	Worship	Sanctuary
12:00 pm	Thankfulness Luncheon	Fellowship Hall

Amazing Place West Tour — Join the Stephen Ministry Team on Tuesday, November 18, to tour the NEW Amazing Place West Campus. The Amazing Place mission is to empower families facing the challenges of dementia and Alzheimer's and advance brain health for all. The tour will begin at 4:00. *If you are interested in carpooling, please meet in the back parking lot. The carpool will depart at 3:15.* The tour will last 45 minutes followed by a presentation entitled "Untangling Dementia" presented by Mehrnaz Gill and Sally Davis. We are planning to go to dinner following the tour. Please RSVP to Ann Guerra if you are planning to attend.

Pines Property Work Day, Nov. 8 — Please join us from 9am- noon. There will be yard work, closet cleaning, and general sprucing up of the building, all in preparation for the coming holidays. Join us as we work together, form new friendships, and rekindle old ones. Call the church office if you need more details, or speak to Property Committee members Brad Hofstetter or Steve Ballard.

Christmas Decor sale Nov. 2 — Christmas in October? Yep! The Pines wreath-makers have been busy creating dozens of Christmas wreaths and other decor from MAM's vast supplies, and now you have a chance at fetching some before we return the finished items to MAM. On **Sunday, November 2**, the decor will be available to the Pines congregation. For a suggested donation, you can take home your early holiday favorite. On **Monday, November 3**, the items will be available to the Pines Preschool families. Don't miss it!

Next Newsletter articles due November 21.
Today's Duty Elder: Brad Hofstetter

SERMON NOTES

Get the latest announcements and reminders right before events happen. Find us here:

Facebook:
www.facebook.com/PinesPresbyterianChurch

Instagram:
[Instagram.com/PinesHouston](https://www.instagram.com/PinesHouston)

The newsletter is available in the Narthex for those unable to access it online.

Our Worship services are recorded and livestreamed.

OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW UPWARD, INWARD AND OUTWARD

Church Staff

The Reverend Andy Gans
Pastor
Laurie Conner
Director of Music Ministries
Shawn Heller
Church Musician
Cindy Houlihan
Office Manager
Alexis Graham
Accounting Manager
Adrian Roman
Custodian/Maintenance

Connie Pike
Director, Preschool
Alicia Flick
Administrative Assistant

PinesPresbyterianPreschool.com



Session

Class of 2026

Linda Aldred
Shirley Bollich
Emily Gairo
Donna Partee
Tim Timmons

Class of 2027

Brad Hofstetter
Patsy Jackson
Ron Langston
Beth Patterson
Phil Wetz

Class of 2028

Mark Babineck
Steve Ballard
Terrie Cardwell
Fred Ellis
Roger Mowell

Welcome, Guests! If you have questions about our church, or would like to discuss church membership, please speak with Pastor Andy.

Come play Pickleball at Pines! Open play Monday 7-9pm and Thursday 7-9pm and Sunday 4-6pm. Sign up at pickleheads.com You must sign up to play.

Pines Nominating Committee is looking for names of those willing to serve on Session. If you know of anyone interested, or if you are interested yourself, please place their/your name in the box you will find in the Narthex before leaving church. Thank you!

Advent Devotional – Believe it or not, Advent is around the corner, which means we will soon be producing our own Advent Devotional guide. This year's theme is Gifts and we need your story and your reflection on a verse of scripture to make this devotional come to life. If you'd like to write a brief devotional to be included in this year's guide, please let Pastor Andy know, and he will help guide you to a scripture if needed. The deadline for submission is **November 10th**.

Save the Date! On Sunday, November 30 at 5pm, come join your Pines family for Family Advent Night, where we will participate together in caroling, dinner, crafts, cookies, and Christmas tree lighting.

Join us!

Thankfulness LUNCH

Sunday November 9th
After church in Fellowship Hall.

Everyone is invited for **homemade soups** & to meet our **MISSION PARTNERS**.

Together @PINES+

Sherwood Christmas

TWO WAYS TO GIVE:

- Take an angel from the Christmas Tree.** (Fellowship Hallway) Then start shopping!
- Make a donation.** [Place in the offering plate, drop off at church, visit pinespc.org/giving, or use Zelle] Please note "Sherwood Christmas".

Return unwrapped gifts (with angel) or donations by Sunday, November 16th.

questions: **JOHN WORK** more info: **PINESPC.org**

OCTOBER & NOVEMBER AGAPE

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