



Fifth Sunday of Lent

PINES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Growing Inward

Prelude

Gathering for Worship

Introit "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" Chancel Choir

*Call to Worship Beth Patterson

One Voice: Can these bones live?

All Voices: Only God knows.

One Voice: Can these people wake up to the good news?

All Voices: Only God knows.

One Voice: Can this church be revitalized?

All Voices: Only God knows.

One Voice: Come, Holy Spirit, and breathe your life into our worship this hour.

All Voices: Unbind us and set us free to proclaim our faith as your Easter people!

*Hymn "To God Be the Glory" See Screen

Prayer of Confession

God of the resurrection,

we do not always live as Easter people.

Too often, we find ourselves distracted
by the rattling of dry bones.

It is so easy to forget your gift of living water
when we are surrounded by dust, despair, and desert.

In the midst of death,
we cannot envision the way of life;
we lack the ability to see beyond the bondage of hopelessness.

Come free us, O God!

Heal us, Christ Jesus!

Loosen the bonds that prevent us from entering new life in your Spirit.

We long for Easter.

Come free us!

Silent Confession

Confessional Response

"Sunday's Palms are Wednesday's Ashes" See Screen

TODAY
IN WORSHIP

March 26, 2023

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 with the Ushers.

Liturgist: Beth Patterson

Sound: Dan Schafer

Flowers: a donation has been made to Interfaith Ministries for the glory of God and in joyful celebration of Dan and Margaret Schafer's 41st wedding anniversary. The flowers are given by the Johnson family to the glory of God and in celebration of Patrick, Molly and Phil's birthdays this month.

Pines Presbyterian Church

is located at 12751 Kimberley Lane,
Houston, Texas 77024 ~

713-467-2234 ~ pinespc.org

A Congregation of the



Assurance of Grace

One Voice: Hope in the Lord!

All Voices: With the Lord, there is steadfast love.

One Voice: With God, there is great power to redeem.

All Voices: Thanks be to God who redeems us from all our iniquities.

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 "Praise Ye, the Lord, the Almighty" Brass Ensemble
Steve Allred, trumpet, Paige Wright, trombone, Matthew Huntsman, trombone, Phil Johnson, tuba

Scripture Reading Ezekiel 37:1-14

Sermon "Wind Chimes" Rev. Andy Gans

***Hymn** "Breathe" See Screen

***Saying What We Believe** (A Celtic Affirmation of Faith)

Women: We believe, O God of all gods, That you are the eternal God of Life. We believe, O God of all gods, That you are the eternal God of Love.

Men: We believe, O God and Maker of all creation, That you are the creator of the high heavens, That you are the creator of the deep seas, That you are the creator of the stable earth.

Women: We believe, O God of all the people, That you created our souls and set their warp, That you created our bodies and gave them breath, That you made us in your own image.

Men: We are giving you worship with our whole lives. We are giving you assent with our whole power. We are giving you our existence with our whole mind. We are giving you kneeling with our whole desire.

***Gloria Patri**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end,
Amen. Amen.**

Offering and Offertory

***Doxology**

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

Preparation for Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" See Screen

***Hymn** "In the Bulb There Is a Flower" See Screen

***Charge and Benediction**

***Benediction Response** "Surely, It is God Who Saves Me" See Screen

Postlude

Pray for the People of Pines

Sara Anderson Ray Stauffacher
Norma Bender Nancy Watler
Jean Darlene Wendt
Breitenwischer Danny Williams
Barbara Caffall
Carolyn Craig
Carol Greene
Fred Kelly
Lynn Stauffacher

Pray for Friends in Mission

Joy Kreider

Pray for Pines Members and their family in the Military:

Olivia Williams (Army)
Noah Youngflesh (Air Force)
Jackie Hayre (Navy)

Prayers for the family and friends for the loss of Pines members
Janet Calhoun
and
Lou Master

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who 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 March 26, 2023

Sunday

9:00 am	Nursery	
9:15 am	Sunday School	
10:15 am	Coffee Fellowship	Fellowship Hallway
10:45 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
6:00 pm	Youth Group	
6:00 pm	Prayer Pal Potluck	Fellowship Hall

Monday

10:00 am	Office Staff Meeting	C7
12:00 pm	This Week at Pines due to Dan Janet Calhoun Memorial Service	Sanctuary
4:00 pm	Session Meeting	C3
6:30 pm	AI Anon Group	Fellowship Hall

Tuesday

7:00 am	Men's Bible Study	Zoom
9:00 am	Bulletin articles due to Laurie	
1:00 pm	Pines Needles Knitting Group	Prayer Room
2:30 pm	Weekly Prayer Team	Prayer Room

Wednesday

5:45 pm	Pines Pealers	C12
7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
8:00 pm	Westside AA	C3

Thursday

6:00 pm	Sacred Echo Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Space City Sound Singers	Sanctuary
8:00 pm	AA Group	C3

Friday

5:00 am	BSF	Fellowship Hall
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Saturday

6:00 pm	AA Group	C3
9:00 am	Youth Group Car Wash	
9:00 am	Property Committee Work Day	
9:00 am	Mosaic Crawfish Boil	

Sunday — Palm Sunday

9:00 am	Nursery	
9:15 am	Sunday School	
10:15 am	Coffee Fellowship	Fellowship Hallway
10:45 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
6:00 pm	Youth Group	Youth Rooms

SERMON NOTES

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scan QR code
with your camera phone:



SCAN ME



Instagram.com/
pineshouston

Get the latest announcements and reminders right before events happen. Find us here:
<https://twitter.com/HoustonPines>.

Find us on Facebook
www.facebook.com/PinesPresbyterianChurch

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

Our Worship services are recorded and livestreamed.

Next Newsletter articles due April 21.

Today's Duty Elder: Walt Penberthy

Church Staff

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

Preschool

Connie Pike
Director, Preschool
Karen Cooper
Administrative Assistant

Session

Class of 2024

Bob Barr
Leslie Friedrich
Judy Shamp
Connie Sipp
Phil Wetz

Class of 2025

Susan Babineck
Sharon Dotson
Linda Johnson
Walter Penberthy
Chris Wolfe

Class of 2026

Linda Aldred
Shirley Bollich
Emily Gairo
Donna Partee
Tim Timmons

OPPORTUNITIES *To Grow* UPWARD, INWARD AND OUTWARD

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

In need of someone to talk to? If you want to know more about getting a Stephen Minister, please contact Phil Wetz or Ann Guerra.

Prayer Partner Dinner is tonight, 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Let your partner know if you can make it or not!

Lenten Book Study Join your Pines Family for an all-church study on prayer, using Margaret Feinberg's book The Sacred Echo. Opportunities on Sunday mornings, plus a small-group study on Thursdays. Look for more information and sign-ups outside Fellowship Hall or contact Kristin Beall at Kristin@pinespc.org.

Flowers: Don't forget to honor with flowers. The cost is \$75.00 for the Sanctuary and \$50.00 for the Narthex. We will continue to offer the option to give to a benevolence or order a real arrangement. Please email or call Melissa Gravett or Linda Aldred.

Easter Lily sign-up sheets are outside the Fellowship Hall or you can contact Linda or Melissa with your information. The cost is \$12.00. Please designate whether the lilies are "In Honor Of" or "In Memory Of" when you make your selection and you may order as many as you like. The Lilies may be taken home after the Easter service. Linda Aldred or Melissa Gravett.

MAM is collecting items for the March AGAPE offering. The female hygiene pack includes: deodorant, toothbrush, razorblades, toothpaste, soap, feminine hygiene products, diapers (sizes 5 and 6), and shampoo in a 1 gallon Ziploc bag. The male hygiene pack is: deodorant, toothbrush, razorblades, toothpaste, soap, shaving cream, diapers (sizes 5 and 6), and shampoo in a 1 gallon Ziploc bag. The homecare pack has dish soap, paper towels, toilet paper, laundry detergent, household cleaner, trash bags, and tissues in a tote bag.

April Agape - The Mission of Yahweh

*Help us Fill the House of Hope
with Clothing for Residents at
The Mission of Yahweh*

**NEEDED: New
Boy's and Girl's
Shirts and Shorts
Sizes 2T - 14**

Suggested Stores:
Target | Walmart
JCPenney | Macy's
T.J.Maxx

*Visit us at
pinespc.org*

**DROP OFF
DONATIONS
IN THE MISSIONS BIN NEAR
FELLOWSHIP HALL**

*New Clothing is
a REAL Treat
and an Ego Booster!*

OR
PLACE A CHECK IN THE
OFFERING PLATE
OR BRING IT TO THE OFFICE
(NOTE: "MOY AGAPE"
IN THE SUBJECT LINE)