

LOOKING UPWARD - GROWING INWARD - SERVING OUTWARD

Growing Inward

Prelude

Gathering for Worship

*Call to Worship

Brad Hofstetter

One Voice: Come, all who are burdened with many tasks. All Voices: God provides a space for rest and renewal.

One Voice: Come, all who desire to know Christ.

All Voices: God welcomes us with healing and forgiveness.

One Voice: Come, all who desire to know Christ.

All Voices: Here we find unexpected grace and unconditional love.

Thanks be to God!

*Hymn "God of Grace and God of Glory See Screen

Prayer of Confession

See Screen

O God.

we lead busy lives.

Just coming to church on Sunday mornings

often seems like a sacrifice.

There's so much to do,

so much to worry about.

We read about being an olive tree

planted in your house, green and flourishing,

under the care of your presence.

Yet, our roots feel planted most anywhere else:

in our duties; in our business relationships;

in our family plans; in our volunteer commitments;

in our efforts to make it in this world.

When we forget who we are,

when the soil of our lives becomes barren,

plant our roots in your goodness and wisdom,

that we may welcome you into our lives.

Silent Confession

Confessional Response "Cares Chorus" See Screen

Assurance of Grace See Screen

One Voice: Trust in the steadfast love of God forever and ever. All Voices: We claim the hope promised by the good news:

One Voice: God welcomes all to this house,

even those who have been estranged from God!

All Voices: Thanks be to God for God's amazing grace.

July 20, 2025

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: Today's grandbaby rose honors Caroline Elizabeth Sibley, born 4-19-25. She is the daughter of Matthew and Katherine Sibley and granddaughter of David and Beth Sibley.



Children's Message

Kristin Beall

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

First Reading Amos 8:1-12

Anthem "10,000 Reasons" Matt Redman

Andy Gans and Laurie Conner

Second Reading Luke 10:38-42

Sermon "Squirrel!" Rev. Andy Gans

Serving Outward

*Hymn "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" See Screen

*Saying What We Believe (from the Confession of 1967) See Screen

In Jesus of Nazareth true humanity was realized once for all.

Jesus, a Palestinian Jew,

lived among his own people and shared their needs, temptations, joys, and sorrows.

He expressed the love of God in word and deed and became a brother to all kinds of sinful men.

But his complete obedience led him into conflict with his people.

His life and teaching judged their goodness,

religious aspirations, and national hopes.

Many rejected him and demanded his death.

In giving himself freely for them

he took upon himself the judgment under which all men stand convicted.

God raised him from the dead, vindicating him as Mesiah and Lord.

The victim of sin became victor,

and won the victory over sin and death for all men.

*Gloria Patri

Offering and Offertory

*Doxology

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

***Hymn** "Be Thou My Vision" See Screen

*Charge and Benediction

*Benediction Response "We Will Go Out with Joy"

Postlude

Pray for the People of Pines

Sara Anderson Lynda Barr Jean Breitenwischer Barbara Caffall Carolyn Craig Sydney DeLaSalle Elizabeth Deraps

Sharon Dotson Janan Plush Melissa Sandstrom Beth Sibley Juanita Vislocky Nancy Watler Danny Williams

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, 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.

A Stephen Ministry



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Calendar for the Week of July 20, 2025

<u>Sunday</u>

12:00 pm Caring Ministries committee C7

<u>Monday</u>

12:00 pm This Week at Pines to Dan

7:00 pm Tending to Grief meeting Parlor

7:30 pm Al Anon Group Fellowship Hall

<u>Tuesday</u>

7:00 am Men's Bible Study Zoom

9:00 am Bulletin articles due to Laurie

<u>Wednesday</u>

1:30 pm Weekly Prayer Team Prayer Room

7:30 pm Westside AA C3

Thursday

8:00 pm AA Group C3

Sunday — no Youth Sunday School

9:15 am Sunday School

10:45 am Worship Sanctuary

2:30 pm NAMI C3

SERMON NOTES

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

Facebook: www.facebook.com PinesPresbyterianChurch

> Instagram: Instagram.com/ Pineshouston

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

Our Worship services are recorded and livestreamed.

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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

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.

Fellowship Hall restroom renovations are nearing completion.

Come play Pickleball at Pines! Open play Monday 7-10pm and Thursday 7:30-10pm and Sunday 4-10pm. Sign up at pickleheads.com You must sign up to play.

Spanish language classes will be in W13 and W14 from July 7 until August 15. If you see the teachers and/or students in the halls, be sure to say "Hola!".

The Explorers Sunday School has started a six session video-based series by John Ortberg: "Soul Keeping: Caring for The Most Important Part of You." Our next study that we will be doing is Everybody Always, by Bob Goff. This will be a churchwide study starting August 17. We will have a study guide and DVD, and individual books are available for \$10

Church-wide Study — Starting Aug. 17, Pines CE is hosting a church-wide study of Bob Goff's book Everybody Always. What if we stopped avoiding the difficult people in our lives and committed to simply loving everybody? What happens when we give away love like we're made of it? Bob teaches that the path toward the outsized, unfettered, liberated existence we all long for is found in one simple truth: love people, even the difficult ones, without distinction and without limits. Kids will have this as their lesson on Aug. 17. Youth, Explorers and Foundation classes plan to do this study Sunday mornings. There is also an opportunity on Thursdays at 6:30pm via Zoom. To sign up for the zoom class, email Kristin to receive the link. If you aren't familiar with Zoom or need help also let me know. Kristin@pinespc.org If you'd like your own book, these can be purchased for \$10, which also can be paid any way you normally pay the church, making sure to note in comments it's for the book, but ALSO email Kristin you did this as some of the online giving doesn't show up until the end of the month statement.

