

PINES

Order of Worship

Presbyterian Church

Growing Inward

Prelude

Gathering for Worship

Introit

“We Gather Here”

Chancel Choir

*Call to Worship

Pines Youth

One Voice: Can you hear the voice of God?

All Voices: We hear God calling us by name.

One Voice: Are you troubled or distressed?

All Voices: We come here to find a place to rest for awhile.

One Voice: Come and find a guide who knows these lands.

**All Voices: We come to praise our Shepherding God,
whose pathways and doors lead to life.**

*Hymn

“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

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Prayer of Confession

Shepherding God

be with us in our need.

Like sheep who have gone astray —

we have not heeded your voice,

calling us to follow the right paths,

beckoning us to lie down and be restored;

we have acted as if our salvation lies

in busyness and control.

We do not want to be sheep —

dependent on a shepherd for everything.

We want to do it alone —

to maintain our independence.

Forgive us for rejecting your shepherding care

and your love and guidance.

Forgive us for our need to do it by ourselves,

to be separate from the flock.

Forgive us for doubting your presence

in times of trouble.

Forgive us our despair

in the face of seemingly unrelenting evil and death,

Lead us back to the path of life.

Silent Confession

Confessional Response

“Hear the Good News of Salvation”

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Assurance of Grace

One Voice: Even those who have gone astray like lost sheep are welcomed back into the loving arms of Christ our shepherd, the guardian of our souls.

All Voices: Rejoice! For all are welcome into God’s grace through the gate of the shepherd’s love.

TODAY
April 30, 2023
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 with the Ushers.

Liturgist: Pines Youth

Sound: Dan Schafer

Flowers: Today’s Sanctuary flowers are given to the Glory of God in honor of Pines as a living church.

Pines Presbyterian Church

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

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.

Kristin Beall

Looking Upward

First Reading

Acts 2:42-47

Anthem

"What Wondrous Love Is This"

Phil Johnson, tuba

Second Reading

1 Peter 2:19-25

Sermon

"Lead by Example"

Rev. Andy Gans

*Hymn

"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

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New Member Welcome

We welcome you as new friends in the faith. We welcome you as members of the Body of Christ. We offer ourselves to you in the hope that you will find in this congregation, warm fellowship and encouragement to your faith. We join hands with you, in order that we may share gladly with you, discipleship.

Welcome to our life together in Jesus Christ.

*Saying What We Believe

We believe in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end.

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family.

We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another; that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ; that through the working of God's Spirit it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought: one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain.

*Gloria Patri

Offering and Offertory

*Doxology

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

"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

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*Hymn

"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

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*Charge and Benediction

*Benediction Response

"Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"

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Postlude

Pray for the People of Pines

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

Pray for Friends in Mission

Joy Kreider

Pray for Pines Members and their family in the Military:

Olivia Williams (Army)
Jackie Hayre (Navy)

Prayers for the family and friends for the loss of Pines members
Tony Rexrode, and
Doreen Boyd.

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 April 30, 2023

Sunday

9:15 am Sunday School
 10:45 am Worship Service Sanctuary
 1:00 pm Session Meeting C3

Monday

12:00 pm This Week at Pines due to Dan
 1:00 pm Congregational Fellowship Committee C7
 6:00 pm Staff Committee Zoom
 7:30 pm Al Anon Group Fellowship Hall

Tuesday

7:00 am Men's Bible Study Zoom
 9:00 am Bulletin articles due to Laurie
 2:30 pm Weekly Prayer Team Prayer Room
 3:00 pm Tony Rexrode memorial service Sanctuary
 7:00 pm SCS Fellowship Hall

Wednesday

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

Thursday

8:00 pm AA Group C3

Friday

5:00 am BSF Fellowship Hall
 7:00 pm Taco and a Prayer Kitchen
 5:30 pm Parent's Night Out Fellowship Hall

Saturday

6:00 pm AA Group C3

Sunday

Opportunity Sunday Narthex
 9:00 am Nursery
 9:15 am Sunday School
 10:15 am Coffee Fellowship Fellowship Hallway
 10:45 am Worship Service Sanctuary
 12:00 pm Mission Trip training Youth Rooms
 12:00 pm Stephen Ministry Luncheon Fellowship Hall

SERMON NOTES

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ONLINE GIVING

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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: Bob Barr

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.

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.

Upcoming curriculum for the Foundations Class: ***Invitation to Psalms—A Short-Term Disciple Bible Study***, by Abingdon Press. The Explorers adult Sunday school class will begin a 6-week study of Jesus' parables by Amy-Jill Levine, professor of New Testament and professor of Jewish studies at Vanderbilt Divinity School, Graduate Department of Religion. Youth will continue ***The Story Bible Study***. Children finish the year with some New Testament Bible Stories.

May Agape Offering

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or Like-New
Children's
Books**



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serves Houston's at-risk
children by providing
them with books to
build their own
home libraries.**

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FELLOWSHIP HALL**

OR

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OFFERING PLATE
OR BRING IT TO THE OFFICE
(NOTE: "BOOKS BETWEEN KIDS"
IN THE SUBJECT LINE)**

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