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Growing Inward

Prelude

“Love Was When”
Don Wyrzten

Tim Holder

Gathering for Worship

Introit

“The Love of God”
Frederick M. Lehman

***Call to Worship**

One voice: God is good.

All voices: All the time.

One voice: And all the time,

All voices: God is good.

One voice: Let all God’s people cry out in joy:

All voices: God’s steadfast love endures forever.

One voice: Come! Let us worship the Lord of our salvation.

***Hymn**

“To God Be the Glory”

See Screen

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we are tired of our own grumbling.
Though we run around like errant children,
we long to return to your warm embrace.
Though we act as if the odds are stacked against us,
we yearn to rest in the knowledge
that your steadfast love endures forever.
Though we crouch in the shadows,
we long to feel the warmth of your love
shining upon us each day.
Lead us from death into life,
that we might live as children of light,
and serve one another as heirs of your Son,
in whose name we pray.

Silent Confession

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

Assurance of Grace

One voice: There is newness in God every moment,
All voices: for God's steadfast love endures forever.
One voice: There is forgiveness found in God in every moment,
All voices: for God's forgiveness endures forever.
One voice: There is hope found in God in every moment,
All voices: for our hope in God endures forever.
One voice: Go and share this Good News. Amen.

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

First Reading		Ephesians 2:1-10
Anthem	"Open My Eyes" <i>Arr/Gumma</i>	Bethel Strawser, Bells
Second Reading		John 3:14-21
Sermon	"The Afflicted"	Rev. Andy Gans
*Hymn	"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"	See Screen

Serving Outward

*Saying What We Believe (UMC Discipleship Ministry)

We believe in God,
the Root of all living, Creator of all things.

We believe in Jesus the Christ,
who loved all people and who makes us one in love,
who suffered and died, and was raised to new life.
In Christ's death and resurrection
we are also raised to life that is transformed.

We believe in the Holy Spirit.
In the Spirit we are one with Christ,
one with each other,
and one in ministry to all the world.

We trust in the one holy church,
the communing of saints,
the forgiveness of sin,
the mystery of resurrection,
and the grace of life everlasting. Amen.

*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.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

TODAY March 14, 2021 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.

Sound: Dan Schafer

Liturgist: Beth Patterson

*All who are able may stand

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

Hymn	“There Is Now a New Creation”	See Screen
*Charge and Benediction		
*Benediction Response	“Shalom, Chaverim!”	See Screen
*Sending Out The Light of Christ		
*Postlude	“My Savior’s Love” <i>Charles H. Gabriel</i>	

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Calendar for the Week of March 14, 2021

Today	a.m.	11:45	Annual Meeting.....Sanctuary
	p.m.	5:00	In-Car-Nation Worship..... Back Parking Lot
		8:00	AA Meetng.....C3
Monday	a.m./p.m.		Committee Minutes Due to Office.....
	a.m.	10:00	Office Staff Meeting.....C3
Tuesday	a.m.	7:00	Men’s Bible Study.....(Meet by Zoom)
Wednesday	a.m.	11:00	Bible Study.....(Meet by Zoom)
	p.m.	8:00	Westside AA.....Fellowship Hall
Thursday	p.m.	5:00	Vespers Service.....(Meet by Zoom)
Friday	a.m./p.m.		Newsletter Articles Due to Office.....
Saturday	a.m.	9:00	All Church Workday.....
Sunday	a.m.	9:00	Nursery Open.....
		9:15	Adult Sunday SchoolFellowship Hall
		9:15	Children’s Family Style Sunday School.....W12
		9:15	Youth Sunday School.....High School Room
		10:45	Worship Service.....Sanctuary/Live Streaming on Web and Facebook
	p.m.	5:00	In-Car-Nation Worship.....Back Parking Lot
	8:00	AA Meeting.....C3	



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<https://twitter.com/HoustonPines>.

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

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Connie Sipp
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OPPORTUNITIES *To Grow* UPWARD, INWARD AND OUTWARD

Newsletter: Input must be in the office by March 19 at 9 a.m.

Next Week's Bulletin: Input must be in the office by Wednesday at 9 a.m.

Calendar Items: Input must be in the office by Thursday at 9 a.m.

This Week at Pines email: Input must be in the office by Friday at Noon

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

In need of someone to talk to? If you want to know more about getting a Stephen Minister, please contact Bill Willis or call the church office.

Flowers provide such beauty and ways to remember our loved ones. We continue to offer live arrangements for the service or the option to donate to a preferred benevolence as a way to honor a loved one or special occasion. The cost of the Sanctuary arrangement is \$75 and the Narthex is \$50.

We are in the Lenten season with Easter coming up April 4th! If you would like to order any Easter lilies you can "sign up" by emailing Melissa Gravett. The cost is \$11.00 each. Please designate whether it is "In Honor Of" or "In Memory Of" and write Easter lily on the memo line if dropping off a check. The lilies can be picked up after the service if you would like to enjoy them for yourself!

Youth Sunday School! While the youth room doors are once again open, we are still keeping an online option for those that are staying home and wish to join us! Sunday School from 9:30am – 10:30am can be accessed here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83682869768> every week.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study: Join us on Zoom each Wednesday from 11:00 A.M. to 12 noon as we dig into and discuss this week's lectionary text. This is a great opportunity to get a jumpstart on understanding and learning about the scripture for the upcoming Sunday. To join us via Zoom please click this link <https://zoom.us/j/97547275569> or call 346-248-7799 and enter 975 4727 5569 when prompted for a meeting ID. You will enter a "waiting room" as you enter the study.

Volunteer needed to head up the Children's Prayer Pal team! The CE committee would love your help to organize our Prayer Pals for the children. The Pals and children have already been partnered up. All you have to do is send a few emails to help the committee get them connected and started. This is a job that can be done at home and will have a very small time commitment. If the Spirit is leading you, reach out to Phil Buelow.

We thank you for sharing your treasures in the spirit and practice of stewardship. Please continue to mail your checks to the church office, put your checks in the offering basket in the rear of the sanctuary on Sundays or visit our website for online giving... VISIT pinespc.org

Join the Property Committee on Saturday March 20th for a church wide work day!

This is a wonderful opportunity to work together with your family and church family to help maintain and beautify your church home! We will begin at 9 AM. Bring a pair of gloves if you have them. There will be a job for everyone! We should be done by noon or before. Contact Bob Miller for more information.



**The annual meeting of the congregation and of the corporation
will be held today following worship.**