Order of Worship Presbyterian Church

Growing Inward

Prelude

Gathering for Worship

Introit

*Call to Worship Kristen Davis-Owen

One Voice: The days are surely coming, says our God;

the day is here to affirm a new covenant.

All Voices: We call on God's steadfast love and mercy.

We seek a strong and vital relationship with our God.

One Voice: God's law will be written on our hearts.

Our creator claims us and forgives our faithlessness.

All Voices: We are eager to know the God who loves us.

We are ready to learn God's intention for us.

One Voice: God offers us the joy of salvation.

Our brokenness can be healed and wholeness restored.

All Voices: We are open to the new and right spirit God offers.

We seek guidance for our daily living.

One Voice: Amen. All Voices: Amen.

*Hymn "O Jesus, I Have Promised" See Screen

Prayer of Confession

Renew us, Lord.
Heal us from our sin
and we will be made whole.
Write your law on our hearts

and take away our excuses,

our feeble protestations that we know not what we do.

Help us stand in your presence,

as women and men

who walk gently upon the earth

and speak lovingly with one another.

We yearn for the time

when guilt will not trouble our sleep,

nor will we feel compelled

to beg excuses for our misdeeds.

Create in us a clean heart, O God,

and put a new and right spirit within us.

Do not cast us away from your presence,

and do not take your Holy Spirit from us.

Silent Confession

Confessional Response

"Sunday's Palms Are Wednesday's Ashes"

See Screen

March 17, 2024

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: Kristen Davis-Owen

See Screen | Sound: Ron Strawser

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: The One who loves us is faithful,

All Voices: writing the ways of life on our very hearts.One Voice: Look within and know that you are loved

and accepted by our gracious God.

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 Scripture Reading Jeremiah 31:31-34

Anthem "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" Pines Pealers

Sir Issac Watts and Lowell Mason

Second Scripture Reading John 12:20-23

Sermon "Planting Season" Rev. Andy Gans

Serving Outward

*Hymn "A Sower Came from Ancient Hills" 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 peoples,

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

Offering and Offertory

*Doxology

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

*Hymn "Go to the World" See Screen

*Charge and Benediction

*Benediction Response "Shalom, Chaverim!" See Screen

Postlude

Pray for the People of Pines

Sara Anderson
Bob Barr
Jean
Breitenwischer
Barbara Caffall
Carolyn Craig
Carol Schneider
Larry Shamp
Sam Singer
Nancy Watler
Darlene Wendt
Fred Ellis
Danny Williams

Ben Lyles

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.

Amen.

A Stephen Ministry



Congregation

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Calendar for the Week of March 17, 2024

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<u>Sunday</u>		
11:45 am	Children's Choir	Choir Room
12:00 pm	Caring Ministry	C7
12:00 pm	Pizza and egg stuffing party	Fellowship Hall
5:30 pm	24 Hours that Changed the World	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	Youth	Youth Rooms
<u>Monday</u>		
12:00 pm	This Week at Pines to Dan	
1:00 pm	Stephen Leaders	C7
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	
11:30 am	Potpourri Circle	Offsite
<u>Wednesday</u>		
1:30 pm	Weekly Prayer Team	Prayer Room
5:45 pm	Pines Pealers	C12
6:00 pm	Youth	Youth Rooms
7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
7:30 pm	Westside AA	C3
<u>Thursday</u>		
6:30 pm	Bingo	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Stephen Ministers Training	Parlor
8:00 pm	AA Group	C3
<u>Saturday</u>		
6:00 pm	AA Group	C3
Palm Sunday		
9:15 am	Sunday School for all	
10:45 am	Worship (Easter Cantata and One Great H	
11:45 am	Children's Choir	Choir Room

Come for fun and fellowship after worship on Palm Sunday - March 24 Sign Up To Bring A Dessert! Fellowship Hall Three Kinds of Pasta, including Macaroni & Cheese Green Salad, Rolls, Beverages

The OGHS (One Great Hour of Sharing) collection will be taken up on Palm Sunday, March 24th.

Next Newsletter articles due March 22 Today's Duty Elder: Susan Babineck

Spring Luncheon

Trustees Meeting

24 Hours that Changed the World

12:00 pm

12:45 pm

5:30 pm

SERMON NOTES

ONLINE GIVING





Fellowship Hall

Fellowship Hall

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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.

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Session

Class of 2025

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Class of 2027

Brad Hofstetter Patsy Jackson Ron Langston Beth Patterson Phil Wetz

OPPORTUNITIES 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.

Calling all the Children! Children's Choir will rehearse following the worship service, in the choir room. *Make a joyful noise to the Lord!!*

Do you use Zelle for bank payments? The church now accepts payments via Zelle. You can add Pines as one of your authorized recipients by entering the following information in your bank's Zelle transfer page: Name of entity: Pines Presbyterian Church, Inc. Email address: ptreasurer@pinespc.org There are no fees to use Zelle and Pines receives the funds instantly. It's helpful if you designate the purpose for your gift (pledge payment, flowers, etc.) on the "Reason for Payment" line in Zelle.

Sign up for Easter Lilies from Brookwood Community in the hallway outside Fellowship Hall on Sunday mornings March 3rd through the 24th, or you can email or call Linda Aldred or Melissa Gravett with your information. The cost is \$12 per lily plant. Please designate whether the lilies are "In Honor Of" or "In Memory Of". Please place your check or cash (in a marked envelope with your name on it) in the offering plate at church and write on the notation line "Lilies". You may also pay electronically using Breeze or Zelle. The Lilies may be taken home after the Easter service.

Do you know a Pines Graduate? This includes anyone who is part of the Pines Family and graduated in the past year from high school or higher education. Please email Kristin the name and contact information so that we can celebrate with them in May! Thank you for your help!

SAVE THE DATE! Saturday, March 30, Pines will host a Free community Easter Party and Egg Hunt in Bendwood Park from 10-11am! Are you willing to help love on our neighbors by hiding eggs, running a yard game, manning the craft table, handing out fans or ice cream, or distributing animal balloons? We will set up starting at 9am just beyond the playground area. RSVP to Kristin@pinespc.org.

March Agape Offering: Items for MAM that include snack bag items: Cheese/peanut butter cracker packets, 16.9 oz. water bottles, fruit strips, Ritz individual cracker packets), Easy-Open Vienna Sausages, Easy-open canned meat/meals-to-go (NO tuna, please), individually wrapped plastic cutlery sets, standard size paper lunch bags, diapers (sizes 3-6). Financial gifts may also be made via the offering plate, dropping by the church office, or donating online (note:" MAM Agape").





The Easter Cantata is being presented during the 10:45am worship service on Palm Sunday, March 24. As we tell the Passion story, God's love is demonstrated through every step of Jesus' journey to the cross. Come join us!!