

# PINES Order of Worship Presbyterian Church

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## Growing Inward

**Prelude** "Hallelujah! What a Savior" Tim Holder  
*Philip Paul Bliss*

## Gathering for Worship

**Introit** "Jesus, Lord to Me"  
*Greg Nelson/Phill McHugh*

## \*Call to Worship

One Voice: When Jesus was baptized in the Jordan River,  
he emerged from the waters . . .

**All Voices: to see the heavens splitting open  
and the Spirit soaring down like a dove.**

One Voice: When Jesus was baptized in the Jordan River,  
he stood up from the waters and heard:

**All Voices: "You are my Son, the Beloved;  
with you I am well pleased."**

One Voice: When Jesus was baptized in the Jordan River,  
he emerged from the waters . . .

**All Voices: to walk a new path  
and to call the world to join him.**

One Voice: Here comes God's kingdom.  
Teach us your path, brother Jesus.  
Now is the time!

**\*Hymn** "Sing of God Made Manifest" See Screen

## Prayer of Confession

God of faithful love and powerful purpose,  
there are times when we are open to your leading—  
times when we walk the path of Jesus  
with courage and hope,  
even when doing so is fearful.

At other times, we close ourselves off,  
hoping that you won't tear open the skies  
and disrupt our lives completely.

Following Jesus can be pretty risky.  
Your compassion and faithful love claim us forever,  
as they claimed Jesus when he entered the Jordan  
and made a bold decision to follow you  
on a new and uncertain path.

## Silent Confession

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

TODAY  
February 21, 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:** Sam Singer

\*All who are able may stand



A Stephen Ministry  
Congregation

## Assurance of Grace

One Voice: Yes, God's compassion and love are forever!  
What God said of Jesus at his baptism,  
God says to us today:

All Voices: **You are my dearly loved children,  
whom I love deeply.  
God forgives us and loves us dearly,  
now and forevermore.  
Thanks be to God!**

## 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

Genesis 9:8-17

#### Anthem

"Lamb of Glory"  
*Greg Nelson/Gary MacSpadden*

#### Second Reading

Mark 1:9-15

#### Sermon

"The Challenge Ahead" Rev. Andy Gans

#### \*Hymn

"In the Bulb There is a Flower" See Screen

### Serving Outward

#### \*Saying What We Believe *(United Church of Canada)*

**We are not alone, we live in God's world.**

**We believe in God:**

**who has created and is creating ,  
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

**We trust in God.**

**We are called to be the church:**

**to celebrate God's presence,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death,  
God is with us.**

**We are not alone.**

**Thanks be to God. 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

#### Hymn

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" See Screen

## Pray for the People of Pines

Gloria Anderson	Georgette Person
Norma Bender	Nancy Robinson
Jean Breitenwischer	Susan Schroeder
Barbara Caffall	Virginia Smith
Carolyn Craig	Bob Symon
Karen MacAllister	Nancy Watler
Morriss Partee	Darlene Wendt
Barbara Youngflesh	

## Pray for Friends in Mission

Joy Kreider  
Ken and Judy McDyer

## Pray for Pines Members in the Military

Olivia Williams (Army)  
Noah Youngflesh (Air Force)

## 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.

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## Church Staff

The Reverend Andy Gans  
Pastor  
Tim Holder  
Director, Music Ministry  
Jesse Parker  
Director, Youth Ministry  
Micah Meyers  
Communications Coordinator  
Cindy Houlihan  
Office Manager  
Alexis Graham  
Accounting Manager  
Genny Bogue  
Receptionist  
Patrick Peña  
Custodian

## Preschool

Connie Pike  
Director, Preschool  
Karen Cooper  
Administrative Assistant

## Session

### Class of 2021

Linda Carlson  
Karen Davis  
Jim Patterson  
Margaret Schafer

### Class of 2022

Elizabeth Deraps  
Linda Johnson  
Karen MacAllister  
Bob Miller  
Violet O'Brien

### Class of 2023

Linda Aldred  
Shirley Bollich  
Phil Buelow  
Emily Gairo  
Ray Stauffacher  
John Work

# OPPORTUNITIES *To Grow* UPWARD, INWARD AND OUTWARD

**Newsletter:** Input must be in the office by March 26 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:** 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.

**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.

**Songs of Encouragement:** Each Wednesday, at 2:00 p.m. Tim Holder will host a special time of songs and reflection. This is a great time to sing along and learn. These videos will be posted on the Pines Facebook and Website pages. [www.pinespc.org](http://www.pinespc.org).

**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.

**The February Agape Offering** will be the Souper Bowl of Caring Fundraiser & Food Drive, as we continue to use this season to lift up our neighbors in need. Collecting: Canned food for Fairhaven Food Pantry & monetary donations (split between Fairhaven & Pines Youth mission work). Fairhaven is also asking for peanut butter, tuna fish and canned chicken. Please place contributions or donation in the Missions collection bin outside Fellowship Hall. Thank you for your contributions.

**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](http://pinespc.org)