# Order of Worship Presbyterian Church

# **Growing Inward**

**Prelude** 

**Gathering for Worship** 

Introit

\*Call to Worship Beth Patterson

One Voice: We come to worship with joy,

trusting God's holy word will inspire us.

All Voices: We lean into God for understanding, anticipating the Spirit's blessing.

One Voice: May God hear our praise!

May we be counted among the great congregation.

All Voices: May the words of our mouths

and the meditations of our hearts

be acceptable to God.

\*Hymn "We Are One in the Spirit" See Screen

Prayer of Confession See Screen

Gracious God, our hearts are restless until they find their home in you. Forgive our pursuit of things that separate us from you. We pursue success, realizing it will never be enough. We desire more possessions, knowing they are empty. We turn toward the world and hope we will find peace, knowing the world cannot provide it. Forgive us, we pray, and may our wandering hearts find their rest in you alone.

Silent Confession

**Confessional Response** 

"Hear the Good News of Salvation" See Screen

**Assurance of Grace** 

One Voice: Hear the good news! In Christ, we are new creations.

All Voices: The old life is gone, thank God!

A new life has begun.

One Voice: Know you are forgiven, and be at peace.

All Voices: Thanks be to God! Amen.

April 28, 2024

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### **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: Beth Patterson

Sound: Ron Strawser

Flowers: The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given by Linda Carlson to the Glory of God and in gratitude and thankfulness to my Pines church family--a welcoming place where everyone knows your name!

Pines Presbyterian Church is located at 12751 Kimberley

Lane, Houston, Texas 77024 ~ 713-467-2234 ~ pinespc.org

A Congregation of the



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**

Anthem "Jesus Loves Me"

Children's Choir

William Batchelder Bradbury

Scripture Reading Acts 8:26-40

Sermon "Do I Belong Here? Rev. Andy Gans

Serving Outward

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

\*Saying What We Believe — Belhar Confession

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

\*Hymn "I Danced in the Morning" See Screen

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Benediction Response "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!" See Screen

**Postlude** 

# **Pray for the People of Pines**

Sara Anderson Lynda Barr Jean Breitenwischer Barbara Caffall Carolyn Craig Morriss Partee
Judy Shamp
Larry Shamp
Sam Singer
Nancy Watler
Darlene Wendt
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.

Amen.

# A Stephen Ministry



# Congregation

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# Calendar for the Week of April 28, 2024

Sunday

9:15 am Sunday School for all

10:45 am Worship

Monday

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

Tuesday

7:00 am Men's Bible Study Zoom

9:00 am Bulletin articles due to Laurie

Wednesday

1:30 pm Weekly Prayer Team Prayer Room

5:45 pm Pines Pealers C12

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal Choir Room

7:30 pm Westside AA C3

Thursday

7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Training C8

C3 8:00 pm AA Group

**Friday** 

6:30 am Taco and a Prayer Fellowship Hall

5:30 pm Parent's Night Out Fellowship Hall

**Saturday** 

9:00 am Stephen Ministry Training C8

6:00 pm AA Group C3

Sunday

9:15 am Sunday School for all

10:45 am Worship

11:45 am Children's Choir Choir Room

12:00 pm Youth Outreach Fellowship Hall

# **SERMON NOTES**





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 May 24. Today's Duty Elder: Walt Penberthy

# **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 2025

Susan Babineck Sharon Dotson Linda Johnson Walter Penberthy Chris Wolfe

# 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

# 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 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!

**Tending to Grief - 2nd location!** The grief support group, Tending to Grief, has been going well for 9 months here in the Parlor at 7:00 on Mondays. A daytime group is available on Tuesdays at 1:00 at the Duncan YMCA, 10655 Clay Road. You do not need to be a Y member. Check in at the reception area for the room location. Please spread the word. The meeting is for all stages and all forms of grief. Everyone is welcome!

**Volunteers at the RaiseUpFamilies Graduation Luncheon** event receive a ticket to attend and get a chance to hear from the graduation class. The event is held at The Rustic Post Oak in Uptown Park, April 30th. The RaiseUpFamilies graduate's household income averages a 71% increase over the 10 month program. Wonderful opportunity to make a difference and get a free lunch. https://give.raiseupfamilies.org/campaigns/31577-volunteer-for-raiseup-families-30th-

# **April Agape - The Mission of Yahweh**

NEEDED: New Boy's and Girl's Shirts and Shorts Sizes 2T - 14

Suggested Stores: Target | Walmart JCPenney | Macy's T.J.Maxx

Visit us at pinespc.org

Help us Fill the House of Hope with Clothing for Children at The Mission of Yahweh

New Clothing is a REAL Treat and an Ego Booster!

DROP OFF
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IN THE MISSIONS BIN NEAR

**FELLOWSHIP HALL** 

PLACE A CHECK IN THE
OFFERING PLATE,
BRING IT TO THE OFFICE OR
CONTRIBUTE ONLINE
(NOTE: "MOY AGAPE")