

PINES

Order of Worship

Presbyterian Church

Growing Inward

Prelude

Gathering for Worship

Introit

“We Gather Here”

Chancel Choir

***Call to Worship**

One Voice: Welcome home, people of God.

**All Voices: We have come to find refuge
in the shelter of God’s care.**

One Voice: Come and sit down.

There is room for everyone in God’s house.

All Voices: We have come to be nourished by God’s word.

One Voice: We are God’s own people, and are precious in His sight.

All Voices: We have come to give thanks for God’s faithful love.

Craig Walker

***Hymn**

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”

See Screen

Prayer of Confession

**Holy One, you are our fortress and our rock,
the foundation on which all things are built.**

**You have made us one family and one people —
a holy priesthood, precious in your sight.**

**Yet we often pursue our own plans
and ignore your designs for our lives.**

**We reject those who are different from us,
and build walls that separate us from each other and from you.**

Forgive us, O God.

**Tear down the barriers we have put up,
and rescue us from our isolation.**

**Gather together the living stones of our lives
and fashion us into a holy temple,
transformed by the marvelous light of your mercy and grace.**

Silent Confession

Confessional Response

“Hear the Good News of Salvation”

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Assurance of Grace

One Voice: Don’t be troubled.

All Voices: When we ask for anything in Jesus’ name, it will be done.

One Voice: Celebrate God’s mercy and forgiveness.

All Voices: We celebrate because we are welcomed and renewed.

TODAY
May 7, 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: Craig Walker

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

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 Reading

Acts 7:55-60

Anthem

"Lord of the Small"
Johanna Anderson, lyrics; Dan Forrest, music

Chancel Choir

Second Reading

1 Peter 2:2-10

Sermon

"What Did You Say?"

Rev. Andy Gans

***Hymn**

"In the Bulb There Is a Flower"

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***Saying What We Believe**

One Voice: In forming his people and sending them into the world
Jesus called individuals to be disciples.
They were to share the joy of his companionship,
to understand and obey his teachings,
and to follow him in life and death.

**All Voices: We believe Jesus calls people today
to be his disciples,
putting life in the presence of God
above the interests of self, family, race, or nation.**

One Voice: Life in God's presence must issue in life for others.

**All Voices: As a community of disciples,
God calls the church
to proclaim the good news of the kingdom,
to strive for justice,
to exercise compassion,
and to work for peace.**

***Gloria Patri**

Offering and Offertory

***Doxology**

Communion of the People and The Lord's Prayer

***Hymn**

"The Church's One Foundation"

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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 member
Doreen Boyd.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which 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 May 7, 2023

Sunday — Opportunity Sunday		Narthex
9:15 am	Sunday School	
10:45 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
12:00 pm	Stephen Ministers Luncheon	Fellowship Hall
12:00 pm	Youth Mission Training	Youth Rooms
Monday		
12:00 pm	This Week at Pines due to Dan	
12:00 pm	Worship Committee	C3
1:00 pm	Stephen Leaders	C7
1:00 pm	Congregational Fellowship Committee	C7
5:30 pm	Christian Education Committee	C10
6:00 pm	Staff Committee	Zoom
6:00 pm	Property Committee	C7
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	
11:30am	Clara Gay Circle	C3
2:30 pm	Weekly Prayer Team	Prayer Room
6:30 pm	Missions Committee	
7:00 pm	Miriam Circle	C3
Wednesday		
5:45 pm	Pines Pealers	C12
7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
8:00 pm	Westside AA	C3
Thursday		
7:00 pm	Space City Sound	Fellowship Hall
8:00 pm	AA Group	C3
Friday		
5:00 am	BSF	Fellowship Hall
Saturday		
6:00 pm	AA Group	C3
Sunday — Mother's Day		
9:00 am	Nursery	
9:15 am	Sunday School	
10:15 am	Coffee Fellowship	Fellowship Hallway
10:45 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
2:30 pm	NAMI	C3



**Come Join Us May 18 at 6:30pm
Fellowship Hall | Food! | Fellowship! | BINGO!
RSVP to Linda Aldred or the Church Office**

Next Newsletter articles due May 19.

Today's Duty Elder: Phil Wetz

SERMON NOTES

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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.

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

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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.

In late May, the Explorers adult Sunday school class will begin an 8-week viewing of the PBS *Frontline* documentary that traces the rise of Christianity, examines how Judaism and the Roman empire shaped Jesus' life, traces the beginnings of the "Jesus Movement" in those early years before it was called Christianity, follows the story of the first attempts to write the life of Jesus in the Gospels, and chronicles how the Christian movement would face new challenges both internal and external. The Explorers class meets on Sundays at 9:30 am (yes, 9:30 am) in room C-3. No homework and all are welcome to attend. For more information contact Sandra Johanneman or Dave Coles.

Please mark your calendars as it is time for another fun Pines Bingo night. We will gather at 6:30pm on Thursday May 18th in Fellowship Hall. For more information or to RSVP please contact Linda Aldred or call the church office. We need a general head count to make sure we have enough food and Bingo Cards. Expect fun, food, fellowship and Bingo!

Volunteer Day at Books Between Kids! Come to the Books Between Kids warehouse on Sunday May 21st from 1:00-3:00. Anyone over the age of 8 is welcome. There will be jobs for those that want to sit in the AC and those that are willing to lift, move around and sweat in the warmth of Spring! The warehouse is located near Gessner and Harwin. (9947 Harwin Suite B) Please sign up at [Pines @ BBK May 21, 1:00pm - 3:00pm](#)

Tending to Grief is a non-professional support group for any stage of grief. It is for all people of all faiths over the age of 18. The group will meet from 7-8pm in the Parlor. You may come as your schedule allows. The meeting is scheduled every Monday unless it is a holiday week. There is no homework or book to read. Please share this meeting information with your friends. The first meeting will be June 19, 2023. Questions? Contact Ann Guerra or call the church office.

May Agape Offering

**Donate New
or Like-New
Children's
Books**



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

**DROP OFF
DONATIONS**

**IN THE MISSIONS BIN NEAR
FELLOWSHIP HALL**

OR

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

YOU CAN ALSO GIVE ONLINE AT PINESPC.ORG