

PINES

Order of Worship

Presbyterian Church

Growing Inward

Prelude

Gathering for Worship

Introit

***Call to Worship**

Sam Singer

One Voice: Have you heard the good news?

All Voices: Christ calls us to be people of light.

One Voice: Have you felt the good news?

All Voices: Christ offers us God's love and grace.

One Voice: Have you lived the good news?

All Voices: Christ lives in us when we gather in his name.

One Voice: Come! Let us worship the Lord.

***Hymn**

"Let Us with a Gladsome Mind"

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Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, help us become the people
you have created us to be.

We yearn to build communities of love,
but it is easier to tear down than to build up.

We long for the healing of the nations,
but it is easier to harm than to heal.

We want to bear our grief with dignity,
but it is satisfying to parade our wounds
for all to see.

Bind up our spirits, Gracious One,
that we might reconcile with those
who have caused us pain.

Help us cast aside the things that chain our spirits,
that we might be free to care for one another
and fulfill your law of love.

O Lord, hear our prayers.

Silent Confession

Confessional Response

"Healer of Our Every Ill"

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Assurance of Grace

One Voice: Hear the words of Jesus:

"Where two or three are gathered in my name,
I am there among them."

**All Voices: As we gather to fulfill the law of love,
Christ is here to make us whole.**

TODAY
September 10, 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 from the Ushers.

Liturgist: Sam Singer

Sound: Ron Strawser

Flowers: The Sanctuary flowers today given to the glory of God by Phil Johnson in celebration of Linda's birthday on the 15th and in memory of her mother, Ann, who shared the same birthday.

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

Romans 13:8-14

Anthem

“In This Very Room”
Ron & Carol Harris

Chancel Choir

Second Reading

Matthew 18:15-20

Sermon

“Who’s Invited?”

Rev. Andy Gans

***Hymn**

“Help Us Accept Each Other”

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***Saying What We Believe** (*Iona Community*)

One Voice: With the whole church

**All Voices: we affirm that we are made in God’s image,
befriended by Christ, empowered by the Spirit.**

One voice: With people everywhere

**All Voices: we affirm God’s goodness at the heart of humanity,
planted more deeply than all that is wrong;**

One Voice: With all creation

**All Voices: we celebrate the miracle and wonder of life,
the unfolding purposes of God,
forever at work in ourselves and in the world. Amen.**

***Gloria Patri**

Serving Outward

Moment for Stewardship

Offering and Offertory

***Doxology**

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

***Hymn**

“Arise, Your Light Is Come!”

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***Charge and Benediction**

***Benediction Response**

“He Has Made Me Glad”

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Postlude

Pray for the People of Pines

Sara Anderson Ray Stauffacher
Bob Barr Nancy Watler
Norma Bender Darlene Wendt
Jean Danny Williams
Breitenwischer
Barbara Caffall
Carolyn Craig
Carol Schneider
Lynn Stauffacher

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, 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 September 10, 2023

Sunday

12:00 pm	2nd Sunday Lunch	Cava
2:00 pm	Greece trip meeting	Fellowship Hall
2:30 pm	NAMI	C3

Monday

12:00 pm	This Week at Pines due to Dan	
12:00 pm	Worship Committee meeting	C3
1:00 pm	Stephen Leaders	C7
5:30 pm	Christian Ed	C3
6:00 pm	Property meeting	C7
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
11:30 am	Clara Gay Circle	C3
6:30 pm	Missions Committee	C3

Wednesday

9:00 am	Bulletin articles due to Laurie	
1:30 pm	Weekly Prayer Team	Prayer Room
5:45 pm	Pines Pealers	C12
6:00 pm	Youth Group	Youth Rooms
7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
8:00 pm	Westside AA	C3

Thursday

7:00 pm	Space City Sound	Gym
8:00 pm	AA Group	C3

Friday

6:00 am	BSF	Fellowship Hall
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Saturday

6:00 pm	AA Group	C3
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Sunday

9:00 am	Nursery	
9:15 am	Sunday School	
10:00 am	Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
10:15 am	Coffee Fellowship	Fellowship Hallway
10:45 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
12:00 pm	Caring Ministry	C7
6:00 pm	Youth Group	Youth Rooms

New Sunday School Classes

Explorers - "The Promised Land" series by Ray Vander Laan - Video and Discussion - Led by Sandra Johanneman

Foundations - "The New Testament You Never Knew" series by N.T. Wright and Michael F. Bird - Video and Discussion - ZOOM Available - Led by Margaret Schafer

NEW ADULT CLASS! - ***Walking and Learning Together*** - Sharing and Discussion as we travel our Faith Journey - Led by Phil Wetz and Ann Guerra

Children up to Sixth Grade - "Hands-On Bible Curriculum" - Guiding kids through the Bible

Youth - Finishing up our study of "The Story" - Stay tuned for a new adventure starting in October.

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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.

Next Newsletter articles due September 27.

Today's Duty Elder: Susan Babineck

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 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 Melissa Gravett or Linda Aldred.

MALE OVER 50? Questions or concerns about PROSTATE CANCER? Hear the experiences of two Pines members who had prostate cancer. From their awareness of cancer through radiation treatment, and afterwards. Sunday – October 8. Join the 30-minute candid discussion in the Parlor, after church service. There will be time for questions.

Hope Through Healing Your Pines Stephen Ministry Team has invited Joy Kreider to be a guest speaker on Thursday, September 28, at 7:00pm. Joy will discuss the issue of trauma. Her training has given her an understanding of both the physical and emotional impact trauma has on our bodies. Come hear a message of Hope through healing as Joy shares her story. Please invite others whom you think might benefit from hearing a story of hope. See you on September 28 at 7:00 in the Parlor. Questions? Ask Ann Guerra or Phil Wetz.

PINES, DOWN THROUGH THE YEARS – What's better than one historical account of Pines Presbyterian Church? Try two! (1) A book assembled with traditional paper, ink and photos, and (2) a modern historical depiction with digital photos dated from 2013. This includes videos and still shots of Christmas, Easter and other holy observances. Our Pines history project will take several months to record and assemble, so please begin gathering photos now. Pines members with personal memories to share should email Sharon Dotson.

BLOOD DRIVE DETAILS Date: Sunday, October 8th, time: 8:30 AM- 1:00 PM, location: Fellowship Hall. **DONOR SIGNUP LINK:** https://www.commitforlife.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/362141. **PROMOTION:** Donors will receive a "Space City" shirt + voucher for FREE pint of beer at St. Arnold's Brewing Company!



September Agape

RAISE UP FAMILIES Help Stabilize Houston Families

Donate Walmart Gift Cards to support a family's varied needs, from food to clothes for children.

Gift Cards or Financial Donations can be placed in the offering plate or sent to the church office. Include "September Agape" with your donation.
You Can Also Give Online!

Mission@PINES+