



# PINES

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LOOKING UPWARD - GROWING INWARD - SERVING OUTWARD

## Growing Inward

Prelude

Gathering for Worship

Introit

**\*Call to Worship**

Morriss Partee

One Voice: Those who dwell in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

**All Voices: They will say of the Lord, "God is my refuge and fortress, the one in whom we trust."**

One Voice: Those who dwell in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the refuge of God's wings.

**All Voices: They will not fear the terror of the night nor the arrow that flies by day.**

One Voice: "Those who love me, I will deliver," says the Lord.

**All Voices: O Lord, we call to you now. Show us your salvation.**

**\*Hymn**

"He Is King of Kings"

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**Prayer of Confession**

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**O God, you are our refuge in times of trouble,  
our shelter in times of rain.**

**When we forget to be refuge for others in trouble, forgive us.**

**Turn our gaze to the poor Lazarus's of our world,  
for we would rather look away.**

**Guide our lives to be places of shelter for others,  
as you have been shelter for us.**

**Strengthen us with your grace,  
that we may offer our mercy and help to the needy,  
as you have offered your mercy and help to us.**

**Draw us back into the protection of your forgiveness and grace.  
In hope and gratitude, we pray.**

**Silent Confession**

**Confessional Response**

"Healer of Our Every Ill"

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**Assurance of Grace**

One Voice: Put your hope in God, who richly provides for our needs.

**All Voices: We enjoy God's good gifts as we share what we have with others.**

One Voice: Delight in the treasures God provides.

**All Voices: We delight because our God is an always-giving and always-forgiving God.**

TODAY  
September 28, 2025  
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:** Morriss Partee

**Sound:** Ron Strawser

**Pines Presbyterian Church** is located at 12751 Kimberley Lane Houston, Texas 77024 ~ 713-467-2234 ~ pinespc.org

**Flowers:** The Sanctuary flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of the baptisms of Hellen Wang and Ben Jia by Bethel and Ron Strawser .

A Congregation of the



**Children's Message**

Andy Gans

**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**

Luke 16:19-31

**Anthem**

**"On Eagle's Wings"**  
Father Michael Joncas

Chancel Choir

**Second Reading**

1 Timothy 6:6-19

**Sermon**

"Choices"

Rev. Andy Gans

**Serving Outward**

**\*Hymn**

"In an Age of Twisted Values"

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**Sacrament of Baptism**

**\*Saying What We Believe**

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Pastor: Do you believe in God the Father Almighty?

**People: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Pastor: Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**People: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven; he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Pastor: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**People: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Moment for Stewardship**

Angela Bullock

**Offering and Offertory**

**\*Doxology**

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

**\*Hymn**

"You Are Holy"

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**\*Charge and Benediction**

**\*Benediction Response**

"We Are One in the Spirit, v. 1"

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**Postlude**

**Pray for the People of Pines**

Sara Anderson	Leanne Messer
Bob Barr	Angie Mills
Jean Breitenwischer	Connie Sipp
Barbara Caffall	Juanita Vislocky
Marsha Deison	Nancy Watler
Sydney DeLaSalle	Danny Williams
Elizabeth Deraps	
Sharon Dotson	

**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 September 28, 2025

### Sunday

12:00 pm	Youth Group—paver project	Youth Room
2:30 pm	NAMI	C3

### Monday

12:00 pm	This Week at Pines to Dan	
7:00 pm	Tending to Grief meeting	Parlor
7:30 pm	AI 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
7:00 pm	Chancel Choir rehearsal	Choir Room
7:30 pm	Westside AA	C3

### Thursday

8:00 pm	AA Group	C3
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### Friday

7:00 am	Taco and a Prayer	Fellowship Hall
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### Sunday

9:15 am	Sunday School	
10:45 am	Worship	Sanctuary
12:00 pm	Brown Bag Book Club	C3
12:00 pm	Youth Group	Youth Rooms

### SERMON NOTES



**September Agape**

Collecting items for New Home Kits

**Bring any size:**  
 Paper Towels, Toilet Paper,  
 Window Cleaner, Sponges,  
 Toilet Brushes, Bathroom Cleaner,  
 Dish Soap, Garbage Bags,  
 Dishwasher Detergent,  
 Laundry Detergent,  
 Laundry Baskets



Monetary donations can be placed in the offering plate, made online ([pinespc.org/giving](http://pinespc.org/giving) or Zelle), or sent to the church office. Include "September Agape" with your donation.

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Instagram:  
[Instagram.com/PinesHouston](https://www.instagram.com/PinesHouston)

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 October 24.  
 Today's Duty Elder: Phil Wetz

# OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW UPWARD, INWARD AND OUTWARD

## 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



Connie Pike  
Director, Preschool  
Alicia Flick  
Administrative Assistant

## Session

### 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

### Class of 2028

Mark Babineck  
Steve Ballard  
Terrie Cardwell  
Fred Ellis  
Roger Mowell

**Welcome, Guests!** If you have questions about our church, or would like to discuss church membership, please speak with Pastor Andy.

**Come play Pickleball at Pines!** Open play Monday 7-9pm and Thursday 7-9pm and Sunday 4-6pm. Sign up at [pickleheads.com](http://pickleheads.com) You must sign up to play.

**In memory of Melissa Sandstrom**, who led the Youth for many years, the Pines Youth will be sharing lunch and making pavers to go around our building. Melissa's ministry included many craft projects like this one! Anyone else who would like to participate **TODAY Sept. 28**, right after church from noon until 1:30pm, please RSVP to Shirley Bollich for food and supply count.

**Mark your calendars** now because Trunk or Treat is coming soon! On Sunday, October 26, 4:00-5:30pm, Pines is hosting Trunk or Treat activities in the Kimberley parking lot. Invite your friends and relations, get your costume ready, and come enjoy all the fun! Volunteers are needed for candy and prize donations, as well as adults to "man" the booths. See Margaret Schafer or Shirley Bollich to sign up.



Join Angela Bullock during Worship this Sunday as she speaks to why stewardship is important to her family. Pledge cards will be available for all as we contemplate giving and being one in the Spirit.