

Growing Inward

Prelude

Gathering for Worship

Introit

*Call to Worship

Kristen Davis-Owen

One Voice: O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name. All Voices: make known his deeds among the peoples.

One Voice: Sing to him, sing praises to him; All Voices: tell of all his wonderful works.

*Hymn "To God Be the Glory" See Screen

Prayer of Confession

Forgive us, Mighty God,
when we doubt your strength.

Assure us, Faithful God,
when we doubt your constant presence.

Renew us, Loving God,
when we neglect to love others
as you have loved us.

Empower us with your strength,
and encourage us with your steadfast love.

Unite us through the power of your Holy Spirit,
that we might live with a faith that honors you,
and abide with a hope that encourages others
to know your love and grace.

Silent Confession

Confessional Response

"Healer of Our Every III" See Screen

Assurance of Grace

One Voice: This is the good news: there is no ranking in God's kingdom.

God graces everyone with the same gifts: mercy, restoration,

new life.

All Voices: God has kept the covenant. We have been forgiven,

we have been made new people.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

September 24, 2023

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: Kristen Davis-Owen

Sound: Ron Strawser

Flowers: The Sanctuary flowers today are in celebration of Connie and David Sipp's 23rd wedding anniversary on 9/20 and David's 68th birthday on 9/25.

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.

Sacrament of Baptism

David Anthony Corral, son of Brian and Deborah Corral Walker Robert Vazquez, son of Brandon and Meegen Vazquez

*Saying What We Believe (the Apostle's Creed)

One Voice: Do you believe in God the Father almighty? All Voices: I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

One Voice: Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

All Voices: 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.

One Voice: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

All Voices: 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.

Looking Upward

Anthem "Deep River" Joy Kreider
Traditional Spiritual arr. by Mark Hayes

Traditional Opinical art. by Mark Trayo

Scripture Reading Exodus 16:2-15

Sermon "Great Expectations" Rev. Andy Gans

*Hymn "Your Faithfulness, O God, Is Sure" See Screen

Serving Outward

Moment for Stewardship — Week 2, Expectancy

*Gloria Patri

Offering and Offertory

*Doxology

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

*Hymn "All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly" See Screen

*Charge and Benediction

*Benediction Response "He Has Made Me Glad" See Screen

Postlude

Pray for the People of Pines

Sara Anderson Bob Barr Norma Bender Jean Breitenwischer Barbara Caffall Carolyn Craig Carol Schneider Lynn Stauffacher Ray Stauffacher 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 September 24, 2023

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<u>wonday</u>	
12:00 pm	This Week at Pines due to Dan
6:30 pm	Session meeting

7:00 pm Tending to Grief meeting Parlor
7:30 pm Al Anon Group Fellowship Hall

<u>Tuesday</u>

7:00 am Men's Bible Study Zoom

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
7:00 pm	Stephen Ministers	Parlor
8:00 pm	AA Group	C3

<u>Friday</u>

6:00 am	BSF	Fellowship Hall
5:30 pm	Parent's Night Out	Fellowship Hall

Saturday

6:00 pm AA Group C3

Sunday

6:00 pm Pines Youth Youth Rooms

Advent church-wide study of Prepare the Way for the Lord by Adam Hamilton. A Thursday night group will meet in the Fellowship Hall, Nov 30-Dec 21, 5:30-7:30pm. Most Sunday schools will be using this - the youth and kids are modifying but still doing advent with John the Baptist focus. You can purchase your own book, but it's not needed for the study. There are no 'workbooks', just leader guides/ videos/ discussions. See Shirley Bollich, Linda Aldred, Connie Sipp, or Kristin Beall with questions.



Giving rewards us when we are energized by the Expectancy of what our gifts can accomplish together.

"At the present time your plenty will supply what they need, so that in turn their plenty will supply what you need."

2 Corinthians 8:14a (NIV)

Next Newsletter articles due October 20. Today's Duty Elder: Shirley Bollich

SERMON NOTES

ONLINE GIVING





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.

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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 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.

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.

Interested in helping with Pines Youth by being an extra set of hands or providing a meal? You can always check with Kristin for available needs or see the online sign up for dates! Meals are at TakeThemAMeal.com. Enter last name Youth and Password 9106. Events are on signupgenius, accessible through the website or email Kristin@pinespc.org. Thank you for serving our youth as they serve in Jesus name!

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!



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Potluck Lunch and Happy Hour Hymn Sing! Join us next Sunday, October 1st as we gather to celebrate World Communion Sunday! Following worship we will celebrate with a potluck lunch and a Happy Hour Hymn Sing. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall.

