

# **Growing Inward**

Prelude

**Gathering for Worship** 

Introit "People Need the Lord" Chancel Choir

Greg Nelson and Phill McHugh

\*Call to Worship

One Voice: The Lord is our light and our salvation.

All Voices: Whom shall we fear?

One Voice: The Lord sets us high on a rock, above our enemies.

All Voices: The Lord shelters us in our day of trouble.

One Voice: We, who have walked in darkness, have seen a great

light.

All Voices: We, who have dwelled in a land of deep darkness,

on us, light has shined.

One Voice: The Lord is our light and our salvation.

All Voices: Whom shall we fear?

\*Hymn "For the Beauty of the Earth" See Screen

Prayer of Confession

Glorious God, our Light, and our Salvation,

too often we have been afraid.

We behold the beauty of your dwelling place,

and feel unworthy to meet you there. We view the cleft in the rock,

where you would hide us from our enemies,

and we shrink from its dizzying height.

When your prophets are arrested and put to death,

we hide in the darkness,

rather than proclaim the dawning

of your great light.

Forgive our foolishness.

Guide our timid feet, O God,

and do not turn your face from us.

**Assurance of Grace** 

One Voice: The gloom and grief of the former times have passed

away.

All Voices: The hope and glory of the latter times have washed

over us like the tide of the sea.

One Voice: You, who once sat in darkness, behold the glory of God's

holy light.

All Voices: We find joy and forgiveness in God's saving grace

January 22, 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 with the Ushers.

Sound: Ron Strawser

Liturgist: Craig Walker

**Flowers:** The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Pines as a living church.

\*All who are able may stand.

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

Isaiah 9:1-4

Anthem

"Lord I Lift Your Name on High" Rick Founds Brass Ensemble Carolyn Craig

**Second Reading** 

Psalm 27:1, 4-9

Sermon

"Dry Season"

Rev. Andy Gans

\*Hymn

"How Firm a Foundation

See Screen

\*Saying What We Believe

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth,

and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;

who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead, and buried;

he descended into hell;

the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth on the right hand

of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost;

the holy catholic church;

the communion of saints;

the forgiveness of sins;

the resurrection of the body;

and the life everlasting. Amen.,

\*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen. Amen.

# Offering and Offertory

\*Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**Preparation for Prayers of the People** 

"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" See Screen

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

\*Hymn "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" See Screen

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Benediction Response "The Trees of the Field" See Screen

**Postlude** 

# **Pray for the People of Pines**

Sara Anderson Norma Bender Jean Breitenwischer Liz Buelow Barbara Caffall Larry Greenlee Fred Kelly Lynn Stauffacher Ray Stauffacher Nancy Watler Darlene Wendt Danny Williams

Carol Greene Barbara Greenlee

# **Prayers for Roger Mowell and family**

with the passing of Jerry.

# **Pray for Friends in Mission**

Joy Kreider Ken and Judy McDyer

# Pray for Pines Members and their family in the Military:

Olivia Williams (Army) Noah Youngflesh (Air Force) 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 January 22, 2023

Sunday

6:00 pm No Youth Group

Monday

10:00 am Staff Meeting

12:00 pm This Week at Pines due to Dan Session meeting

7:30 pm Al Anon Group Fellowship Hall

C3

Tuesday

6:30 pm

7:00 am Zoom Men's Bible Study

Bulletin articles due to Laurie 9:00 am

1:00 pm Pines Needles Prayer Room 2:30 pm Weekly Prayer Team Prayer Room

Wednesday

5:45 pm Pines Pealers C12

7:00 pm Choir Room Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm Stephen Ministers Parlor

8:00 pm Westside AA C3

Thursday

1:00 pm Lectionary Bible Study Zoom

7:00 pm **Space City Sound Singers** Fellowship Hall

8:00 pm AA Group C3

Friday

5:00 am **BSF** Fellowship Hall

Saturday

6:00 pm AA Group C3

Sunday

9:00 am Nursery open

Sunday School for all 9:15 am C3 and C8

Coffee Fellowship 10:15 am Fellowship Hallway

10:45 am Worship Service Sanctuary Youth Rooms Pines Youth Group 6:00 pm

**SERMON NOTES** 

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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.

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

# Preschool

Custodian/Maintenance

Connie Pike
Director, Preschool
Karen Cooper
Administrative Assistant

Adrian Roman

# Session

Class of 2023

Linda Aldred Shirley Bollich Phil Buelow Emily Gairo John Work

#### 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

# 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.

The church office needs volunteers to answer phones in the office Monday through Thursday. If you would be willing to help in this way, please call Cindy at 713-467-2234

**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.

**Please Remember...**when you leave the building, please turn off the lights and A/C or Heating for your room. Leaving these items on is a costly expense for your church home. Also, if you find you need to move chairs or tables to a different order than you found them in, please return them to the way you found them when you entered the room. This will allow the next group meeting to find the room in the same condition as you found it. Thank you for your help!

**Feed My Starving Children** was a rousing success. Thanks to all who donated of their time, talent, and donations to make this important work of the Kingdom happen!

**Open Houses for the Pines Preschool** are coming up! For 2-year-olds, Open House is January 23 at 10:00am; 3 and 4-year-old Open House is January 25 at 12:30pm; Bridge & Kindergarten Open House is January 25 at 7:00pm. All Open Houses begin in the Sanctuary and move to the classrooms.