



# PINES

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LOOKING UPWARD - GROWING INWARD - SERVING OUTWARD

## Growing Inward

Prelude

Gathering for Worship

Introit

**\*Call to Worship**

One Voice: From north and south, from east and west, we come:

**All Voices: God's people called to the Table where simple grace nourishes us.**

One Voice: From down the street to across town, from single households to apartment dwellers:

**All Voices: God's people are called to community, where we live and serve one another.**

One Voice: From every class, every race, every status; from little ones with sippy cups to elders with overflowing hearts:

**All Voices: God's people are called to witness to God's hope, to offer peace to a shattered world.**

**\*Hymn** "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending" See Screen

**Prayer of Confession** See Screen

**Almighty God, we confess on this World Communion Sunday that we judge others and we play favorites. We are accepting of those who are accepting, but we reject those who seem narrow-minded and closed off to the world. We want to accept everyone except those people. We forget that all of us are made in Your image, and that all of us have sinned and fall short. Forgive us for our pride and arrogance. Forgive us for our selfishness and self-centeredness. Forgive us when we judge and despise others, even when we claim that judging others is wrong. Turn us back to Your path, turn us back to Your love, and guide us in ways to restore and heal relationships. In the name of Jesus, who emptied his pride to the point of dying on the cross, we pray.**

**Silent Confession**

**Confessional Response** "Healer of Our Every Ill" See Screen

**Assurance of Grace**

One Voice: Persistently, patiently, lovingly, God pours out grace and joy into our lives, healing our brokenness, forgiving our sin.

**All Voices: Loved, we are sent to love;  
forgiven, we are freed to forgive;  
graced, we can offer our gifts to everyone we meet.  
Thanks be to God. Amen.**

TODAY  
October 5, 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:** Luke Wolfe

**Sound:** Dan Schafer

**Flowers:** In lieu of flowers for the Sanctuary, the Johanneman family is making a Mission of Yahweh donation to the Glory of God and in honor of James' birthday.

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

**Assisting in worship today:** Valerie Harelson, Toshi Hayre, Bethel Strawser, and Hellen Wang.

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 17:5-10

**Anthem**

**"As Bread That Is Broken"**  
P. Baloche and C. Cloninger, arr. J. Rouse

Chancel Choir

**Second Reading**

Lamentations 1:1-6

**Sermon**

**"They'll Know. . .for Sure"**

Rev. Andy Gans

**Serving Outward**

**\*Hymn**

**"We Are One in the Spirit"**

See Screen

**\*Saying What We Believe**

See Screen

**We believe in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end.**

**We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family.**

**We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another; that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ; that through the working of God's Spirit it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought: one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain.**

**\*Gloria Patri**

**"We Are One in the Spirit", v. 4**

See Screen

**Moment for Stewardship**

Sandra Johanneman

**Offering and Offertory**

**\*Doxology**

**Invitation to the Table and Presentation of the Breads**

**The Lord's Prayer and Communion of the People**

**The Blessing of Our Gifts**

**\*Hymn**

**"Go to the World"**

See Screen

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**\*Benediction Response**

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

See Screen

**Postlude**

**Pray for the People of Pines**

Sara Anderson	Leanne Messer
Bob Barr	Angie Mills
Jean Breitenwischer	Donna Partee
Barbara Caffall	Tim Timmons
Marsha Deison	Juanita Vislocky
Sydney DeLaSalle	Nancy Watler
Elizabeth Deraps	Danny Williams
Sharon Dotson	Bill Willis

**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 October 5, 2025

### Sunday

12:00 pm	Brown Bag Book Club	C3
12:00 pm	Youth Group	Youth Rooms

### Monday

12:00 pm	This Week at Pines to Dan	
1:00 pm	Congregational Fellowship Committee	C7
6:00 pm	Staff Meeting	Zoom
6:00 pm	Property Committee meeting	C7
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	
11:30 pm	Clara Gay Circle	C3

### Wednesday

1:30 pm	Weekly Prayer Team	Prayer Room
7:00 pm	Chancel Choir rehearsal	Choir Room
7:00 pm	Mahjong	Cafe
7:30 pm	Westside AA	C3

### Thursday

8:00 pm	AA Group	C3
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### Sunday

9:15 am	Sunday School	
10:45 am	Worship	Sanctuary
12:00 pm	2nd Sunday Lunch	Offsite
12:00 pm	Youth	

**Sherwood Christmas**

**TWO WAYS TO GIVE:**

- Take an angel from the Christmas Tree.** (Fellowship Hallway) Then start shopping!
- Make a donation.** [Place in the offering plate, drop off at church, visit [pinespc.org/giving](http://pinespc.org/giving), or use Zelle] Please note "Sherwood Christmas".

**Return unwrapped gifts (with angel) or donations by Sunday, November 16<sup>th</sup>.**

questions: **JOHN WORK** more info: **PINESPC.org**

**OCTOBER & NOVEMBER AGAPE**

**Mission @ PINES+**

### SERMON NOTES

Get the latest announcements and reminders right before events happen. Find us here:

Facebook:  
[www.facebook.com/PinesPresbyterianChurch](http://www.facebook.com/PinesPresbyterianChurch)

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: Fred Ellis

# OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW UPWARD, INWARD AND OUTWARD

## Church Staff

The Reverend Andy Gans  
Pastor  
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

PinesPresbyterianPreschool.com



## 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.

**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.

**Registration opened** for Little Miracles at Pines on September 29! Please call the Preschool at (713) 467-9358 if you would like more information about this Monday-morning Mommy and Me-style program for children 7-months through 21-months old.

**Pines Nominating Committee is looking for names** of those willing to serve on Session. If you know of anyone interested, or if you are interested yourself, please place their/your name in the box you will find in the Narthex before leaving church today. Thank you!

**Stewardship Sunday** – Today we celebrate the visible act of making a commitment to God and this church family by the giving an estimate of our annual financial commitment. As an act of worship and a way to give thanks, we ask that you bring your completed commitment card with you as you come forward for communion. There will be baskets available next to the communion servers for you to place your commitment card. If you need a card there are extras available in the pew backs.



**Today we will be celebrating the Lord's Supper.** When the time comes during worship to partake in Communion, you will be invited to come down the center aisle to receive a piece of gluten-friendly bread and grape juice. After being given the juice and the bread, please return to your seat and hold the elements until we can all partake together, as one church.