



# PINES

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LOOKING UPWARD - GROWING INWARD - SERVING OUTWARD

## Growing Inward

Prelude

Gathering for Worship

Introit

\*Call to Worship

Phil Wetz

One Voice: Light and salt, we are called to be.  
**All Voices: We are the light of the world?**  
 One Voice: Light and salt, we are created to become.  
**All Voices: We are the salt of the earth?**  
 One Voice: Light and salt, we are Christ for the world.  
**All Voices: We are the light and salt of the world!**

\*Hymn "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

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Prayer of Confession

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Dear God, over and over again,  
 you have taught us how to walk in your light.  
 But we have sought to hide under a bushel,  
 hoping you won't notice  
 how we avoid your radical call  
 to share our food with the hungry  
 and our lives with those in need.  
 You ask us to join your great dance of light,  
 but we are reluctant to associate  
 with those we judge to be unworthy.  
 God, open our eyes to the joy of your justice —  
 a justice intended for all the world.  
 Forgive our tendency to hide,  
 our slowness to respond.  
 Invite us once more, O God,  
 into the warmth of your light,  
 that we might shine brightly  
 with your love.

Silent Confession

Confessional Response "You Are Mine"

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# TODAY February 8, 2026 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:** Phil Wetz

**Sound:** Ron Strawser

**Pines Presbyterian Church**  
 is located at 12751 Kimberley Lane Houston, Texas 77024 ~  
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A Congregation of the



## Assurance of Grace

One Voice: Even when we stray,

**All Voices: God continues to guide us.**

One Voice: Even when our souls are parched,

**All Voices: God provides for us.**

One Voice: Even when we call for help,

**All Voices: God says, "I'm here."**

One Voice: Praise God!

## Children's Message

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

Matthew 5:13-20

Anthem

"On Eagles' Wings"  
Rev. Michael Joncas

Chancel Choir

Second Reading

Isaiah 58:1-12

Sermon

"Street Repair"

Rev. Andy Gans

### Serving Outward

\*Hymn

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

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\*Saying What We Believe (*Reformed Church of Australia*)

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**We believe in God,**

who made the world and reaches out to it  
with a love that is fierce and passionate, tender and kind.

**We believe in Jesus the Christ;**

God revealed in a human life.  
Jesus touched the untouchable and pardoned the unforgivable.  
Raised by God, Jesus is parting the sea of evil and despair,  
and leading us across into the land of freedom and promise.

**We believe in the Holy Spirit;**

whose breathing gives life;  
whose fire purges and renews;  
whose wisdom awakens courage and hope.

**Gathered by the Spirit, we have been baptized into a common life:**

overflowing with love and mercy;  
richer than mind can measure,  
but appearing foolish to the world.  
And we trust that the foolishness of God  
will prove wiser  
than the wisdom of the world,  
and that the suffering of God will heal the earth  
and fulfill our hopes of justice and peace.

\*Gloria Patri

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Offering and Offertory

\*Doxology

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

\*Hymn

"Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining"

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\*Charge and Benediction

\*Benediction Response

"The Trees of the Field"

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Postlude

## Pray for the People of Pines

Sara Anderson

Angie Mills

Jean Breitenwischer

Juanita Vislocky

Barbara Caffall

Nancy Watler

Mary Catherine Cezeaux

Danny Williams

Marsha Deison

Bill Willis

Sydney DeLaSalle

Duane Wood

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 February 8, 2026

### **Sunday**

12:00 pm	Souper Bowl Lunch	Fellowship Hall
2:30 pm	NAMI	C3

### **Monday**

12:00 pm	This Week at Pines to Dan	
5:30 pm	Christian Ed committee	C10
6:00 pm	Preschool committee	C3
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 am	Clara Gay Circle	C3
5:30 pm	Missions committee	C8
6:30 pm	Miriam Circle	C3

### **Wednesday**

1:30 pm	Weekly Prayer Team	Prayer Room
6:30 pm	Discernment Team	C7
7:00 pm	Chancel Choir rehearsal	Choir Room
7:30 pm	Westside AA	C3

### **Thursday**

7:00 pm	Mahjong	Cafe
8:00 pm	AA Group	C3

### **Sunday**

9:15 am	Sunday School	
10:45 am	Worship	Sanctuary
10:00 am	Youth Bake Sale	Fellowship Hall
12:00 pm	Caring Ministries committee	C7



**PINES YOUTH** bake sale

**Sunday February 15 | 10:00am**

**Support our mission trip to Memphis!**  
**Want to donate goodies for the sale?**  
**Contact Ron Langston or call the church office.**

Mission @PINES+



All Pines youth and college age young adults are invited to participate in our mission trip to Memphis, Tennessee, this summer. We leave on June 27 and return on July 3, 2026. The mission trip will be with Praying Pelican Missions. If you are interested in attending, please contact Ron Langston or the church office. Registration for the trip closes on 2/28/2026.

Next Newsletter articles due February 20.  
 Today's Duty Elder: Terri Cardwell

## 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.

# 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, Selena Jimenez  
Custodian



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 7:30-9:30pm and Sunday 6-8pm. Sign up at [pickleheads.com](http://pickleheads.com) You must sign up to play.

**Explorers' Sunday School** — The next study for our class will be by Rick Warren, pastor of Saddleback Church in Orange County, CA, and bestselling author of *The Purpose Driven Life*. "Better Together: What on Earth Are We Here For" includes six teaching sessions, in which you will learn how to fulfill God's five purposes for your life within the context of community: Rick Warren will show you how God planned for you to fulfill his purposes in community with other people... in your church family... in your small group... in the world around you.

**"Friends Night Out"** has been a huge success and many Pines Friends have wished to see it continue. This event has been a long-standing tradition at Pines usually involving a potluck type of experience with a small group of 6 – 8 people. Sign-ups will begin now through the end of January, 2026. The timeline for the Spring 2026 Friends Night Out will be February, March, and April. Emails will be sent to those who participated in the past to see if they wish to continue and participate again. If you have any questions please reach out to Linda Aldred ([lindaaldred1@aol.com](mailto:lindaaldred1@aol.com)), Patsy Jackson ([pnjackson715@gmail.com](mailto:pnjackson715@gmail.com)), or Chris Wolfe ([christopherwolfe@earthlink.net](mailto:christopherwolfe@earthlink.net)).

You're invited to join us on our **Footsteps of Faith through Scotland and the Reformation**, September 1-11, 2026. Our trip won't just be admiring Scotland's rugged landscapes and ancient castles, but we'll also be delving into a pivotal period of its past: the Scottish Reformation and the history of the Presbyterian Church. For a brochure and application go to [pinespc.org/Scotland](http://pinespc.org/Scotland) or talk to Pastor Andy.

**Souper Bowl Lunch** — Come join your church family for soup and a grilled cheese sandwich, with make-your-own sundaes for dessert, **TODAY, TODAY, TODAY!!!** There will be a love donation to the Houston Food Bank. Make checks out to Pines Presbyterian Church with "Houston Food Bank" on the notation line.



## Volunteer!

### February 20-21

*Opportunities for all abilities, from sit-down jobs to lifting jobs.  
Ages 5 and up.*

Join us for a two-hour shift (or more!) as we pack more than 100,000 meals for starving children around the world.

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To volunteer:  
[pinespc.org/fmsc](http://pinespc.org/fmsc)  
Or use the QR Code

