

PINES

Order of Worship

Presbyterian Church

Growing Inward

Prelude

Gathering for Worship

Introit

***Call to Worship**

Karen Davis

One Voice: Did you hear the good news?

All Voices: The kingdom of God has drawn near.

One Voice: Do you trust the good news?

**All Voices: We place our trust in Jesus,
the one who calls us to follow him.**

One Voice: Do you have the courage to leave your former lives behind?

All Voices: We put our faith in the Lord, our rock and our salvation.

One Voice: Trust the Lord.

All Voices: We will follow Jesus.

***Hymn**

"Come, Sing, O Church in Joy!"

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Prayer of Confession

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Mighty God, the words of your Son echo in our ears:

**"The kingdom of God has come near;
repent, and believe in the good news."**

**How we long to set aside the advice of others
and put our trust firmly in you.**

**How we yearn for the faithfulness of James and John
who immediately left their boats to follow Jesus.**

We know our fearful hearts, O God.

**We know how far we are from being able to trust
a complete stranger —
especially with our very lives.**

**We hope to one day have their devotion,
even as we cannot find the nerve
to leave familiar paths behind.**

**Renew us, Holy One,
and bless us with your steadfast love,
that we might truly live as people
who have seen your kingdom draw near.**

Silent Confession

Confessional Response

"You Are Mine"

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Assurance of Grace

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One Voice: Hear the Good News! Just as God forgave the people of Nineveh when they repented and turned from their evil ways, so God will forgive us also when we seek forgiveness for our sins.

All Voices: We pour out our hearts before God, who is our refuge and our strength.

TODAY
January 21, 2024
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: Karen Davis

Sound: Dan Schafer

Flowers: The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by Melissa & Jay Gravett in celebration of the baptism of Marley Stephens

Pines Presbyterian Church

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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

Baptism of Marley Stephens, daughter of Morgan and Cody Stephens

***Saying What We Believe**

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.**

Serving Outward

First Scripture Reading

Mark 1:14-20

Anthem

"A Merry Heart"
Cynthia Dobrinski

Pines Pealers

Second Scripture Reading

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Sermon

"You Can't Make Me"

Rev. Andy Gans

***Hymn**

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

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Offering and Offertory

***Doxology**

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

***Hymn**

"O Jesus, I Have Promised"

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***Charge and Benediction**

***Benediction Response**

"You Shall Go Out with Joy"

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Postlude

Pray for the People of Pines

Sara Anderson	Sam Singer
Bob Barr	Lynn Stauffacher
Jean Breitenwischer	Ray Stauffacher
Barbara Caffall	Nancy Watler
Carolyn Craig	Darlene Wendt
Carol Schneider	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 January 21, 2024

Sunday

11:45 am	Children's Choir	Choir Room
12:00 pm	TX Presbyterian Foundation luncheon	Fellowship Hall
12:00 pm	VBC Leaders meeting	C10
2:00 pm	Stewardship/Trustee meeting	C3

Monday

10:00 am	Potpourri Circle day of service	MAM
12:00 pm	This Week at Pines to Dan	
5:30 pm	Property Committee meeting	C7
6:30 pm	Session meeting	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	

Wednesday

1:30 pm	Weekly Prayer Team	Prayer Room
5:45 pm	Pines Pealers	C12
6:00 pm	Youth	Youth Rooms
7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
8:00 pm	Westside AA	C3

Thursday

7:00 pm	Alzheimer Resource meeting	Parlor
8:00 pm	AA Group	C3

Saturday

6:00 pm	AA Group	C3
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Sunday

9:15 am	Sunday School for all	
10:45 am	Worship	
11:45 am	Children's Choir	Choir Room
11:45 am	Church Retreat Planning Meeting	Fellowship Hall

Next Newsletter articles due February 23

Today's Duty Elder: Emily Gairo

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.

Church Staff

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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 *To Grow* 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.

Mark your calendars for TODAY after worship. Several of our members have chosen to leave a legacy for Pines via the Texas Presbyterian Foundation and the Pines Sustaining Gift Fund. The Trustees and the Stewardship Committee have invited Jake Wilson from the Texas Presbyterian Foundation to speak about and answer questions regarding legacy giving. A sandwich lunch will be provided.

Alzheimer's resource meeting. The Stephen Leader Ministry Team will be hosting an opportunity to hear and interact with Alan Stuckert, a volunteer representative of Houston Alzheimer's Association, on Thursday, January 25, at 7pm in the Parlor. Alan will provide an overview of the disease and how it impacts families as well as discuss the resources which the Alzheimer's Association makes available to the community. Alan has personal experience in dealing with Alzheimer's in his family and is passionate about doing all he can to support efforts to find ways to treat the disease as well as helping people care for loved ones who have Alzheimer's.

Calling all the Children! Children's Choir will rehearse following the worship service, in the choir room. We will plan to sing the anthem on Sunday, January 28, so come rehearse — *make a joyful noise to the Lord!!*

Let's Plan a Church Retreat!!! Are you interested in fellowship and fun for a weekend with your Pines Family? This Pines tradition has been gone for far too long. There will be a QUICK brainstorming meeting right after worship on **January 28** with an ICE CREAM bar! Come with your ideas big and small, about a Pines Family Retreat. All ideas will be considered as planning begins! If you can't attend, please share your ideas with Kristin.

Feed My Starving Children will be here before you know it. Dates for our MobilePack are Friday & Saturday February 23 & 24 and we need you to join us in packing meals for starving children. To register to volunteer go online to: give.fmssc.org/pines then click "Volunteer". Click "Enter" or scan the QR code with your phone's camera:



SCAN ME

Mark Your Calendar for Pancakes! Tuesday, February 13 @ 6:00pm, the Chancel Choir invites you to a Fat Tuesday Pancake Celebration! All funds raised go to support Feed My Starving Children! Pancake Supper followed by BINGO!



Youth Bake Sale is Sunday, February 11, 10am-12:30pm. Please call Kristin Beall to sign up to bring baked goods for sale:.