



PINES

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LOOKING UPWARD - GROWING INWARD - SERVING OUTWARD

Growing Inward

Prelude

Gathering for Worship

Introit Liturgical dance to "Sweet Architect" Kristen Wolfe
Emeli Sande

***Call to Worship** Karen Davis

One Voice: Now is the time to sing! To sing the good news of God:

All Voices: We give thanks to God, who heals and restores.

One Voice: Praise God who transforms us, who heals and loves us.

All Voices: Praise God, who clothes us with joy.

One Voice: Do not be silent. Praise the Lord!

**All Voices: We will sing the good news of Easter!
We will rejoice in the God who loves us.**

***Hymn** "Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks" See Screen

Prayer of Confession See Screen

**God of Forgiveness,
our greed and our lust for power
create enemies where we should find friends.
We fail to offer comfort and aid
to those who are afraid and beat down
by the burdens of life.
We are as blind and willful as Saul
to the pain and the destruction
of our wrongdoings
and our well-meaning crusades.
Forgive us, merciful One.
Give us sight to see with your eyes,
that we may bring hope and peace to our world.**

Silent Confession

Confessional Response "Hear the Good News of Salvation"

Assurance of Grace See Screen

One Voice: God's anger lasts but a moment,
All Voices: but God's favor lasts a lifetime.
One Voice: The Lord forgives our shortcomings
All Voices: and sends deliverance through Christ,
One Voice: just as the Lord forgave Saul
and used him to spread the gospel.
All Voices: Thanks be to God!

TODAY
May 4, 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: Karen Davis

Sound: Ron Strawser

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

Flowers: The Sanctuary flowers today are given by Scott Greene to the Glory of God and in memory of Carol.

We mourn with the family of Darlene Wendt, who passed on April 28.

A Congregation of the



Children's Message

Ann Guerra

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

John 21:1-14

Anthem

"This Is My Father's World"
Malbie D. Babcock

Children's Choir

Second Reading

Acts 9:1-20

Sermon

"You're Invited"

Rev. Andy Gans

Serving Outward

*Hymn

"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

See Screen

*Saying What We Believe (A Celtic Affirmation of Faith)

See Screen

**Women: We believe, O God of all gods,
that you are the eternal God of Life.
We believe, O God of all gods,
that you are the eternal God of Love.**

*Men: We believe, O God and Maker of all creation,
that you are the creator of the high heavens,
that you are the creator of the deep seas,
that you are the creator of the stable earth.*

**Women: We believe, O God of all the peoples,
that you created our souls and set their warp,
that you created our bodies and gave them breath,
that you made us in your own image.**

*Men: We are giving you worship with our whole lives. We are giving you
assent with our whole power. We are giving you our existence with our
whole mind. We are giving you kneeling with our whole desire.*

*Gloria Patri

Offering and Offertory "Largo" from *New World Symphony*
Antonin Dvorak

Rachel Wolfe,
clarinet

*Doxology

Communion of the People and the Lord's Prayer

*Hymn

"Lift High the Cross"

See Screen

*Charge and Benediction

***Benediction Response** "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"

Postlude

Pray for the People of Pines

Sara Anderson	Sharon Dotson
Lynda Barr	Janan Plush
Jean Breitenwischer	Melissa Sandstrom
Barbara Caffall	Beth Sibley
Carolyn Craig	Nancy Watler
Elizabeth Deraps	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, 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 May 4, 2025

Sunday

5:30 pm Youth Hand On Hand Offsite

Monday

12:00 pm This Week at Pines to Dan
1:00 pm Congregational Fellowship committee C7
6:00 pm Property committee ?7
6:00 pm Staff committee Zoom
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

10:00 am Meditation class Prayer Room
1:30 pm Weekly Prayer Team Prayer Room
5:45 pm Pines Pealers C12
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

Friday

5:30 am Bible Study Fellowship Fellowship Hall

Saturday

4:00 pm Family Fun Day Fellowship Hall

Sunday— Mother's Day

9:15 am Sunday School
10:45 am Worship Sanctuary
2:30 pm NAMI C3

PINES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, INC. Notice of Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Notice is hereby given of a special meeting of the Board of Trustees of Pines Presbyterian Church, Inc. ("Corporation"), called by a majority of the Trustees, to be held on May 13, 2025 at 3pm at Pines Presbyterian Church, 12751 Kimberley Lane, Houston, Texas 77024, and by Zoom conferencing if necessary, for the purpose of addressing insurance renewal and other matters that may lawfully come before the Board of Trustees.

Notice is given this 28th day of April, 2025 to the Trustees and to the President and the Treasurer of the Corporation as *ex officio* members of the Board of Trustees.

Next Newsletter articles due May 23.
Today's Duty Elder: Shirley Bollich

SERMON NOTES

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

Facebook:
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
Kristin Beall
Director of Family Ministries
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

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.

Fellowship Hall restroom renovations continue. Please use the west door entrance into the Fellowship Hallway.

Come play Pickleball at Pines! Open play Monday 7-10pm and Thursday 7:30-10pm and Sunday 4-10pm. Sign up at pickleheads.com

Learn the gift of Meditation! Join Cheryl Gans as she leads a group class in meditation on Wednesdays at 10am. If you have never taken a meditation class before, Cheryl will walk you through this wonderful opportunity to center yourself and find an inner peace. Come join us in the Prayer Room to learn how, and the health benefits associated with meditation. The next class will be Wednesday, May 7.

Music Theater Camp is coming back! Monday, June 2 through Friday, June 6, 8:30am-12:30pm, Pines Presbyterian Church offers a Music Theater Camp which is open to children who have completed first grade through high school who would like to sing, dance, and act. Don't worry if you don't have any experience – that's OUR job to help you gain it! The final production will be presented during 10:45am worship on June 8, followed by a reception/autograph party for all the actors and their families, as well as the Pines church family. The cost is \$75 per student. Sign up at pinespc.org or email Laurie@pinespc.org.

The Explorers Sunday School class will be looking at the six-session video series, "God is Closer Than You Think", by John Ortberg, starting Sunday, April 27.

Today we will be celebrating the Lord's Supper. When the time comes during worship to partake in the Lord's Supper, 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.

FAMILY FUN DAY!
Saturday, May 10 | 4:00-6:00pm

Vintage Games	FAMILIES OF ALL AGES INVITED!
Playground Time	
Picnic Dinner	
Prayer	
Summer Check In	

Together@PINES+

May Agape Offering

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