



PINES

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LOOKING UPWARD - GROWING INWARD - SERVING OUTWARD

Growing Inward

Prelude

Gathering for Worship

Introit

***Call to Worship**

Luke, Kristen, and Rachel Wolfe

One Voice: Even when we encounter folks who are mean, dishonest, hateful,

All Voices: we are called to respond with that love which is true and sincere.

One Voice: God calls us to love all people as if they were our sisters and brothers,

All Voices: for God seeks to weave us into one family, tearing down all the barriers between us.

One Voice: No matter how weary we become from our loneliness, our struggles, our service,

All Voices: God challenges us to be patient, to rejoice, and to never stop praying.

One Voice: Why should we do all things?

All Voices: Because we are God's people, called to lives which are different, and which make a difference!

***Hymn**

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

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Prayer of Confession

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God of Mystery,
we are constantly amazed
by the depth and breadth of your love.

Over and over again,
you turn our expectations inside out
and upside down.

And still we don't understand
the radical nature of your grace.

We play by our own rules of justice,
even when it means excluding those
we are called to love and defend.

In our darkest moments,
we doubt if we are worthy of your rust.

God, help us remember
that you give us all the tools we need;
that through the solid foundation of your love,
we find the strength to follow your call
as true disciples of Jesus Christ.

Surprise us again, O God.

Surprise us again.

TODAY
August 30, 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.

Liturgists: Luke, Kristen, and Rachel Wolfe

Sound: Fred Ellis

Flowers: The Sanctuary flowers today are given to the Glory of God in celebration of Cindy Houlihan's service to Pines and in memory of Janet Calhoun and their friendship.

Pines Presbyterian Church

is located at 12751 Kimberley Lane
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A Congregation of the

Silent Confession

Confessional Response

"Healer of Our Every Ill"

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Assurance of Grace

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One Voice: The God who brought our ancestors out of slavery will not desert us.

All Voices: God has promised to be with us throughout all generations.

One Voice: Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice,

All Voices: for God is with us!

Children's Message

Cassandra Burke

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 Scripture Reading

Exodus 3:1-15

Anthem

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

Chancel Choir

John Carter

Second Scripture Reading

Romans 12:9-21

Sermon

"A Honey Do List"

Rev. Andy Gans

Serving Outward

*Hymn

"Spirit, Open My Heart"

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*Saying What We Believe — *the Apostles' Creed*

**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

See Screen

Offering and Offertory

*Doxology

See Screen

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

*Hymn

"I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"

See Screen

*Charge and Benediction

*Benediction Response

"Sent Out in Jesus' Name"

See Screen

Pray for the People of Pines

Sara Anderson
Barbara Caffall
Sydney DeLaSalle
Elizabeth Deraps
Sharon Dotson
Angie Mills
Becky Neisig

John Plush
Bethel Strawser
Tim Timmons
Yohanna Tirayoh
Juanita Vislocky
Nancy Watler
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)

Prayers for all those on the Scotland trip.

Pray for the family of the Rev. Bill Willis.

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.

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Calendar for the Week of August 30, 2026

Sunday

12:00 pm Cindy's Retirement Party Fellowship Hall

Monday — Scotland group leaves

12:00 pm This Week at Pines to Dan
7:00 pm Tending to Grief meeting Parlor
7:30 pm Al 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
7:00 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal Choir Room

Thursday

8:00 pm AA Group C3

Sunday

9:15 am Sunday School
10:45 am Worship

SERMON NOTES

Summer is HOT!
So is the Pines Summer Speaker Series!

Fellowship Hall

New Topics Every Week
Scan for Schedule

Coffee - 9:15am
Speaker - 9:30am
Beginning June 7

Invite Your Friends for a COOL Sunday Morning!

Children and Youth
Senior High Room

Nursery Available

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.

Next Newsletter articles due September 18.
Today's Duty Elder: Fred Ellis

OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW UPWARD, INWARD AND OUTWARD

Church Staff

The Reverend Andy Gans
Pastor
Cassandra Burke
Director of Faith Formation
Laurie Conner
Director of Music Ministries
Shawn Heller
Church Musician
Cindy Houlihan/Theresa Perales
Office Manager
Alexis Graham
Accounting Manager
Adrian Roman
Custodian/Maintenance
Connie Pike
Director, Preschool
Alicia Flick
Administrative Assistant



Session

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

Class of 2029

Kyle Brinkman
Scott Greene
Valerie Harelson
Phil Johnson
David Youngflesh

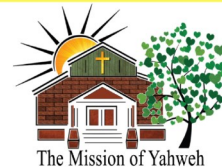
Welcome, Guests! If you have questions about our church, or would like to discuss church membership, please speak with Pastor Andy.

Would you like to truly make a difference in the life of a child? Consider becoming a Reading Buddy or Mentor at Sherwood Elementary. Reading buddies meet weekly to help build reading skills. Mentors also meet with their student weekly to help inspire their student to reach their full potential. Commitment is 30 minutes/week during the school year. A one-hour training per school year is required and provided by SBISD. Sign-ups and training dates are available now. For more information, contact Beth Patterson or Margaret Schafer or visit www.springbranchisd.com/engage.

Love to knit or crochet? Join **Pines Needles** and craft for a cause. We are a welcoming needlework group dedicated to bringing warmth, comfort, and hope to neighbors in need. We create handmade hats, scarves, shawls, and blankets for cancer patients through **CanCare**, as well as residents at **The Mission of Yahweh** and **Star of Hope**. Our 2025 impact: 250+ warm hats, 40+ comfy blankets/ shawls, and 175+ cozy scarves donated!! We'd love for you to join our group! If you'd like to help but don't do needlework, donations of yarn are appreciated – a list of needs is in the Prayer Room. Contact Valerie Harelson for more information.

Let's celebrate Cindy for her 27 years of ministry among us! "Join us today following worship for a party to celebrate this great lady!"

BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE



Your gifts will help provide back-to-school clothes, shoes and school supplies!

JULY/AUGUST AGAPE

Donations can be placed in the offering plate, made online at pinespc.org/giving or on Zelle, or brought to the church office.

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