



Fourth Sunday of Lent

PINES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Growing Inward

Prelude

Gathering for Worship

Introit

***Call to Worship**

Brad Hofstetter

One Voice: In Jesus Christ, there is a new creation.

**All Voices: Everything old has passed away.
Everything has become new.**

One Voice: This newness is from God,
who has reconciled us through Jesus Christ.

**All Voices: Rejoice and be glad!
Everything has become new.**

***Hymn**

“Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

See Screen

Prayer of Confession

See Screen

**On this very day, Waiting God,
we admit all the lengths to which we go so we might avoid you.
You offer us that kingdom of joy and wonder,
yet we would hide in places where temptation waits.
You invite us to feast on your grace and peace,
but we stubbornly refuse,
because you also welcome those we call “outsiders.”
We are quick to see all the mistakes that those around us make,
but hope you will ignore our foolish choices.
Celebrating God,
before we come to our senses,
we find you running towards us,
sweeping us up in your arms,
tears of grace mingling with our cries of confession,
a mighty river washing away our sinful ways to restore us to new
life.
In Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior,
we find no limitations on your grace,
no reservations about your love,
but a feast that overflows with wonder,
a place we can finally call home.**

4th SUNDAY
OF LENT
March 30, 2025

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: Brad Hofstetter

Sound: Ron Strawser

Flowers: The Sanctuary flowers today are given to the glory of God by the Calhoun family in honor of Janet and Jack Calhoun.

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A Congregation of the



Silent Confession

Confessional Response

"Sunday's Palms Are Wednesday's Ashes" See Screen

Assurance of Grace

One Voice: God rolls away everything that stands in our way — our past,
our sin, our pain, our hesitation,
and reshapes us into new people living in the new creation.
What wonderful grace.
We are forgiven!

All Voices: **Broken, we are made whole; lost, we are brought home;
empty, we are filled with songs of gladness.
We rejoice and give thanks to God
who has graced us with mercy. Amen.**

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.

First Reading

Looking Upward

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Anthem

"Find Us Faithful"
Jon Mohr and Tom Fettke

Chancel Choir

Second Reading

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Sermon

"Metanoia"

Rev. Andy Gans

Serving Outward

*Hymn

"There Is Now a New Creation"

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 has 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

See Screen

Offering and Offertory

*Doxology

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

*Hymn

"Come Sing to God"

See Screen

*Charge and Benediction

*Benediction Response

"Farewell, Good Friends!"

See Screen

Postlude

Pray for the People of Pines

Sara Anderson	Sharon Dotson
Lynda Barr	Beth Sibley
Jean Breitenwischer	Nancy Watler
Barbara Caffall	Darlene Wendt
Carolyn Craig	Danny Williams
Elizabeth Deraps	

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 March 30, 2025

Sunday

6:00 pm Prayer Pal Dinner Fellowship Hall

Monday

12:00 pm This Week at Pines to Dan
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 Stephen Ministry Parlor
8:00 pm AA Group C3

Friday

5:30 am Bible Study Fellowship Fellowship Hall
6:30 am Taco and a Prayer Fellowship Hall

Saturday

9:00 am Youth Car Wash Kimberley Parking Lot

Sunday

9:15 am Sunday School
10:45 am Worship Sanctuary



Next Newsletter articles due April 18.
Today's Duty Elder: Brad Hofstetter

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
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Director, Preschool
Alicia Flick
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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.

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.

Each gift to One Great Hour of Sharing supports efforts to relieve hunger through the Presbyterian Hunger Program, promote development through the Presbyterian Committee on the Self-Development of People, and assist in areas of disaster through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. All three programs work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope. Look for giving envelopes in the pews beginning April 6th.

The Explorers Sunday School class has begun a new five-week Lenten study, He Chose the Nails, by Max Lucado.

Support the Youth Car Wash and Envelope Campaign this week! Get your car washed Saturday, 4/6, or take envelopes for missions. Thank you!

New class coming. Cheryl Gans will be leading a group class in Meditation on Wednesdays at 10am throughout the month of April. If you have never taken a meditation class before, Cheryl will walk you through this wonderful opportunity. Come join us to learn how, and the health benefits associated with meditation. Call Cindy in the church office to reserve your spot!

Palm Sunday Potluck!
Bring a dish to share
Join your Pines Family for lunch!
Help our Youth stuff eggs for Easter in the Park!
Sign-Up Sheets Outside Fellowship Hall
Sunday April 13 Fellowship Hall

MARCH AGAPE
ITEMS NEEDED
Small Dish Soap (24oz max)
Single Roll Paper Towels
Toilet Paper 4-Roll Packs
Laundry Detergent Pods (60 pod bag max)
Large Tote Bags
Bar Soap
Household Cleaner Spray (32oz max)
Tall Kitchen Trash Bags (20 bag max)
Small Box Tissues
MAM
MEMORIAL ASSISTANCE MINISTRIES
DONATIONS DROP OFF
OUTSIDE FELLOWSHIP HALL
FINANCIAL GIFTS
PLACE CHECK IN THE OFFERING PLATE, BRING IT TO THE OFFICE, OR DONATE ONLINE OR ZELLE
(NOTE "MAM AGAPE" IN SUBJECT LINE)
URGENT NEED: DIAPERS (SIZES 4&6) PINESPC.ORG