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OPPORTUNITIES UPWARD, INWARD AND OUTWARD

To Grow

Newsletter: Input must be in the office by October 22 at 9 a.m.

Next Week's Bulletin: Input must be in the office by Wednesday at 9 a.m.

Calendar Items: Input must be in the office by Thursday at 9 a.m.

This Week at Pines email: Input must be in the office by Monday to micah@pinespc.org

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 Bill Willis or call the church office: Ph. 713.467.2234.

Flowers: Don't forget to honor with flowers. The cost is \$75.00 for the Sanctuary and \$50.00 for the Narthex. We will continue to offer the option to give to a benevolence or order a real arrangement. Please call the church office: Ph. 713.467.2234.

We thank you for sharing your treasures in the spirit and practice of stewardship. Please continue to mail your checks to the church office, put your checks in the offering basket in the rear of the sanctuary on Sundays or visit our website for online giving... VISIT pinespc.org for more information.

Please join us in providing Christmas joy to our extended family at Sherwood Elementary. As with previous years, we need and appreciate your help in filling the Missions Room with wonderful gifts that bring so much excitement to Sherwood families on Christmas morning. An Angel tree will adorn the Fellowship Hallway decorated with angel ornaments with the age and gender of a child who will benefit from the love you show. There are several ways you can support Sherwood! Questions - Contact Kari Work: kwork@mgcinc.net

Sherwood Christmas

WAYS YOU CAN GIVE:

- Take an angel from the Christmas Tree (Fellowship Hallway) and start shopping!
- ~ WRAPPING DAY ~
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4th
[volunteers are needed]
9AM to Noon.
- JOIN THE ELVES!
Help with this event!
- Make a cash, check, or credit card donation.
[drop off at church or visit: pinespc.org]
Please note "Sherwood Christmas".

Place contributions or donations
in the Missions Collection Bin by Sunday, November 14th.

OCTOBER & NOVEMBER AGAPE
Help with Sherwood Christmas.
see more info & shopping list: PINESpc.org

NEW MISSION DONATION OPPORTUNITY with Memorial Assistance Ministries (MAM): Please drop off un-bagged items in the **Missions Bin** or in the **Missions Room**.

List of items for sack lunches: Easy To Open Canned Meat/ Meals -To- Go, Vienna Sausages, Trail Mix, Individually Wrapped Salted Crackers, Individually Wrapped Cheese or Peanut Butter Crackers, Package of 16.9 oz Water Bottles, Fruit Strips, Standard Size Paper Bags and Protein Bars/Granola Bars. Thank you for your donations!

Sunday School at Pines: Foundations meets in the Fellowship Hall studying The Book of Romans by Max Lucado: In the Grip of Grace. Alpha Class meets in Room C-3 covering key elements of the Gospel and will seek to discover the common ground and essentials of faith.

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Growing Inward

Prelude

Gathering for Worship

Introit

*Call to Worship

One Voice: God speaks from the whirlwind:

All Voices: "Seek me, like a lion pursues its prey."

One Voice: God hearkens from the clouds:

All Voices: "Thirst for me, like the parched ground thirsts for rain."

One Voice: God calls from the heavens:

All Voices: "Sing to me, like the morning star sang at creation."

One Voice: God beckon from the waters:

All Voices: "Cling to me, like a drowning sailor clings to a life line."

One Voice: God calls to us now.

All Voices: We are here, Lord. Lead us to life.

*Hymn

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

see screen

Prayer of Confession

We are so sure of ourselves, O God.

In the midst of our suffering,

we wonder how it could happen to us;

we wonder why you allowed it to happen at all.

How easily we forget

that Job was blameless in your sight,

yet found himself in the path of the tornado.

How quickly we look for answers

to questions beyond our ability to comprehend.

How often we darken counsel

with words of accusation without wisdom.

Forgive us, Lord.

Forgive us when we seek to sit at your right hand,

rather than accepting the role of the servant.

Forgive us when we look for comfort and ease

in your cup and in your baptism.

Answer us in your whirlwind once more.

Teach us that suffering is not sent to punish,

but that through our suffering,

we may better understand and heal

the pain of others.

Silent Confession

TODAY October 17, 2021 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 with the Ushers.

Sound: Ron Strawser

Liturgist: Phil Wetz

Flowers: A donation was given to the glory of God to The Mission of Yahweh by Bob & Susan Barry in memory of past family members with birthdays this month.

*All who are able may stand

A Stephen Ministry



Congregation

A congregation of the



Confessional Response "Healer of Our Every Ill" See Screen

Assurance of Grace

One Voice: Christ, our High Priest, guides us gently back to the path—
All Voices: the path of walking with God and serving our neighbor.
One Voice: In the name of Christ, we are forgiven!
All Voices: We will be with God in paradise! Thanks be to 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 Job 38:1-7, 34-41

Anthem "Great is the Lord" Tom Fette and Bethel Strawser
Michael W. Smith and Deborah D. Smith

Second Reading Mark 10:35-45

Sermon "Dare I Pray" Rev. Andy Gans

***Hymn** "Your Faithfulness, O Lord Is Sure" See Screen

Serving Outward

Call To Discipleship New Member

***Saying What We Believe**

One Voice: In forming his people and sending them into the world
Jesus called individuals to be disciples.
They were to share the joy of his companionship,
to understand and obey his teachings,
and to follow him in life and death.

**All Voices: We believe Jesus calls people today
to be his disciples,
putting life in the presence of God
above the interests of self, family, race, or nation.**

One Voice: Life in God's presence must issue in life for others.

**All Voices: As a community of disciples,
God calls the church
to proclaim the good news of the kingdom,
to strive for justice,
to exercise compassion,
and to work for peace.**

***Gloria Patri**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen. Amen.**

Prayer of the People and The Lord's Prayer

***Hymn** "You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord" See Screen

***Charge and Benediction**

***Benediction Response "Go Ye Believers into the World"** See Screen

***Sending Out The Light of Christ**

Pray for the People of Pines

Norma Bender Nancy Watler
Jean Breitenwischer Morriss Partee
Barbara Caffall Darlene Wendt
Virginia Smith Barbara Youngflesh
Carolyn Craig Larry Greenlee
Bob Symon Barbara Greenlee
Liz Buelow Linda Carlson
Karen MacAllister

Pray for Friends in Mission

Joy Kreider
Ken and Judy McDyer

**Pray for Pines Members
in the Military**

Olivia Williams (Army)
Noah Youngflesh (Air Force)

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.

Calendar for the Week of October 17, 2021

Today	p.m.	5:00	Incarnation Worship Service - Gym Mosaic Crafts for the children - W12
Monday			Committee minutes due to office
	a.m.	10:00	Office staff meeting - C3
	p.m.	4:00	This Week at Pines articles due
		7:30	ALANON Group - Fellowship Hall
Tuesday	a.m.	7:00	M Bua - Fellowship Hall Kitchen Men's Bible Study - by Zoom
	p.m.	2:30	Weekly Prayer Team
		6:30	Miriam Circle meeting - C3
Wednesday	a.m.	7:00	M Bua - Fellowship Hall Kitchen
		9:00	Bulletin Articles Due
	p.m.	5:45	Pines Pealers (Bell Practice) - C12
		7:00	Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room
		7:00	Incarnation practice - Sanctuary
		8:00	Westside AA - Fellowship Hall
Thursday	a.m.	7:00	M Bua - Fellowship Hall Kitchen
	p.m.	1:00	Lectionary Bible study - by Zoom
		7:00	Space City Singers - Fellowship Hall
		8:00	AA - C3
Friday	a.m.	5:00	BSF - Fellowship Hall
		7:00	M Bua - Fellowship Hall Kitchen
Saturday	a.m.	7:00	M Bua - Fellowship Hall Kitchen
		9:00	TRT Work Day
		9:30	Firefighter BB practice - Gym
	p.m.	6:00	AA - C3
		6:30	Mosaic Youth - Fellowship Hall
Sunday	a.m.	9:00	Nursery open
		9:15	Foundations SS - Fellowship Hall
		9:30	Alpha SS - C3
		10:45	Worship Service - Sanctuary
	p.m.	5:00	Incarnation Worship Service - Gym Mosaic Crafts for the children - W12

SERMON NOTES



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The newsletter is available in the Narthex for those unable to access it online.