

# PINES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# **Growing Inward**

**Prelude** 

**Gathering for Worship** 

Introit

\*Call to Worship

Kristen Davis-Owen

One Voice: We come to this place because we want to know God,

All Voices: who helps us set aside the past,

to walk the path to new life.

One Voice: We come in these moments because we want to know Jesus,

All Voices: who anoints us with the resurrection,

who shares our lives with us.

One Voice: We come with these people

because we want to know the Spirit,

All Voices: who shapes us for life with God,

so we may praise God forever!

\*Hymn "To God Be the Glory" See Screen

Prayer of Confession

See Screen

One Voice: Holy Source of New Life, you promise to set us free

from paths of fear, doubt, and denial.

All Voices: Yet we resist your invitation, seeing only what we must give

up if we are to follow the path of Jesus.

One Voice: You call us to have faith in your sustaining presence and power.

but your call takes us beyond anything we can see or touch.

All Voices: We fear placing our trust in things beyond our control.

One Voice: We doubt that you can bring water to the dry places of our lives

or replace our suffering with joy.

All Voices: Forgive us when we turn away from your promise of

abundant life. Heal us and lead us home, Holy One.

**Silent Confession** 

**Confessional Response** 

April 6, 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: Kristen Davis-Owen

Sound: Ron Strawser

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A Congregation of the



#### **Assurance of Grace**

One Voice: Whenever we seek to leave behind our old ways

and turn to God for help,

All Voices: God forgives our faithlessness and strengthens us

for the journey ahead.

One Voice: We are the heirs of God's promises.

All Voices: We are the children of God's compassion and mercy.

# 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, yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me, the Bible tells me so.

# Looking Upward

First Reading Isaiah 43:16-21

Anthem "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross" Pines Pealers by William H. Doane

Second Reading John 12:1-8

**Sermon** "Signs to the Cross of Easter — Direction Change" Rev. Andy Gans

# Serving Outward

\*Hymn "Be Thou My Vision" See Screen

\*Saying What We Believe See Screen

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.

\*Gloria Patri See Screen

Offering and Offertory

\*Doxology

Communion of the People and the Lord's Prayer

\*Hymn "Now Thank We All Our God" See Screen

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Benediction Response "Farewell, Good Friends!" See Screen

**Postlude** 

### **Pray for the People of Pines**

Sara Anderson Lynda Barr Jean Breitenwischer Barbara Caffall Carolyn Craig Sharon Dotson Beth Sibley Nancy Watler Darlene Wendt 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, 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 April 6, 2025

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<u>Sunday</u>		
12:00 pm	Youth Hand on Hand	Offsite
<u>Monday</u>		
12:00 pm	This Week at Pines to Dan	
1:00 pm	Congregational Fellowship committee	C7
6:00 pm	Property committee	C7
6:00 pm	Staff committee	Zoom
7:00 pm	Tending to Grief meeting	Parlor
7:30 pm	Al Anon Group	Fellowship Hall
<u>Tuesday</u>		
7:00 am	Men's Bible Study	Zoom
9:00 am	Bulletin articles due to Laurie	
11:30 am	Clara Gay circle	C3
6:30 pm	Miriam circle	C8
6:30 pm	Mission committee	C3
<u>Wednesday</u>		
10:00 am	Meditation Class	Prayer Room
1:30 pm	Weekly Prayer Team	Prayer Room
5:45 pm	Pines Pealers	C12
6:00 pm	Youth	Youth Rooms
7:30 pm	Chancel Choir rehearsal	Choir Room
7:30 pm	Westside AA	C3
<u>Thursday</u>		
7:00 pm	Stephen Ministry	Parlor
7:00 pm	Mahjong	Cafe
8:00 pm	AA Group	C3
<u>Friday</u>		
5:30 am	Bible Study Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
<u>Saturday</u>		
8:00 am	Kitchen closed for cleaning	Fellowship Hall
Sunday — Palm Sunday		
9:15 am	Sunday School	_
10:45 am	Worship — Easter Cantata	Sanctuary
12:00 pm	Potluck Lunch	Fellowship Hall
12:00 pm	Trustees' meeting	C10
2:30 pm	NAMI	C3
6:00 pm	Youth	Youth Rooms

**Pines Presbyterian Church, Inc., Notice of Quarterly Meeting of the Board of Trustees**. Notice is hereby given of a quarterly meeting of the Board of Trustees of Pines Presbyterian Church, Inc. ("Corporation"), called by a majority of the Trustees, to be held on April 13, 2025 at noon at Pines Presbyterian Church, 12751 Kimberley Lane, Houston, Texas 77024.

**Pines Preschool** is hosting its Spring Parent U in Room C3 at 9:15 am on Wednesday, April 16. Diane Goyette, M.A., will be speaking on "The Brain-Body Connection: A New Way to Understand Challenging Behaviors." Whether your child is 3 or 43, think all parents and grandparents could find Diane's insights very helpful! Contact Connie at (713) 467-9358 if you have any questions.

Next Newsletter articles due April 18. Today's Duty Elder: Mark Babineck

# **SERMON NOTES**

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

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> Instagram: Instagram.com/ Pineshouston

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

Our Worship services are recorded and livestreamed.

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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

# 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.

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

**Save the Date:** Sunday, April 13, Palm Sunday Potluck Lunch. Bring a dish to share for the potluck. Sign-up sheet in the hallway outside the Fellowship Hall, April 6. Please join your Pines family for lunch and perhaps help the youth with the stuffing of many plastic eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt in the park. Fun times for all ages!

**Pickleball** starts this week! Open play Monday 7-10pm and Thursday 7:30-10pm and next Sunday 4-10pm. Sign up at pickleheads.com

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

**Learn the gift of Meditation!** Join Cheryl Gans as she leads 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 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.

Lent and Easter at Pines — Sunday, April 13: Palm Sunday, Holy Week in Song, 10:45am; Thursday, April 17: Maundy Thursday Worship with Holy Communion, 6:30pm; Friday, April 18: Good Friday Worship, 6:30pm; Sunday, April 20: Easter Sunrise Worship, Bendwood Park, 6:30am; Sunday, April 20: Easter Worship Service including Holy Communion with Hallelujah Chorus, 10:45am

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.

