

Growing Inward

Prelude

Gathering for Worship

Introit

*Call to Worship Beth Patterson

One Voice: We gather here to worship God,

whose steadfast love endures forever.

All Voices: We gather surrounded by God's Holy Spirit,

who encourages us to walk faithfully with Christ.

One Voice: Praise be to God,

whose goodness and mercy fill our days.

All Voices: Praise be to God,

whose ways lead to peace and justice.

*Hymn "In Christ There Is No East or West" See Screen

Prayer of Confession

God of us all, your grace and mercy

fill our lives every day.

We give you our thanks and praise.

Too often, we forget or ignore your presence in our lives.

Too often, we treat your children unequally,

deeming some more important than others.

Too often, we forget that our daily actions

need to reflect our faith.

Forgive us, and lead us to embrace abundant life

for all of your children.

In the name of Christ, we pray.

Silent Confession

Confessional Response "Healer of Our Every III" See Screen

Assurance of Grace

One Voice: Whisper it. Say it. Shout it. Sing it! Our God comes with

justice, not judgment; with hope, not a heavy hand; with grace,

not grudges. This is the good news for us.

All Voices: We will not be scared to tell anyone, and everyone, of our

God who overflows with mercy, who sets us free, who watches over us. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven!

Amen.

September 8, 2024

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:

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Auditory assistance receivers are available from the Ushers.

Liturgists: Beth Patterson

Sound: Dan Schafer

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A Congregation of the



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.

Looking Upward

First Reading

Proverbs 22:1–2, 8–9, 22–23

Anthem

"The Lord Began a Good Work in You"

Chancel Choir

Mark Patterson

Second Reading

James 2:1-17

Sermon

"You're My Favorite"

Rev. Andy Gans

Serving Outward

*Hymn "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"

See Screen

*Saying What We Believe (The Apostle's 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

Stephen Ministry Commissioning

Offering and Offertory

*Doxology

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

*Hymn "We Are One in the Spirit" See Screen

*Charge and Benediction

*Benediction Response "Sent Out in Jesus' Name" See Screen

Pray for the People of Pines

Sara Anderson Jean Breitenwischer Barbara Caffall Carolyn Craig Sharon Dotson Carol Schneider Nancy Watler Darlene Wendt 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, 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

ONLINE GIVING



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Calendar for the Week of September 8, 2024

Sunday 12:00 noon Via 313 Second Sunday Lunch Hand On Hand/Youth Group Youth Area 5:00 pm

Monday

12:00 pm This Week at Pines to Dan C-3 12:00 pm Worship Committee meeting Congregational Fellowship meeting C-7 1:00 pm C-8 1:00 pm Stephen Leaders meeting 6:00 pm Staff Committee meeting Zoom 6:00 pm Preschool Committee meeting C-3 7:00 pm Tending to Grief meeting Parlor Fellowship Hall

7:30 pm Al Anon Group

Tuesday

7:00 am Men's Bible Study Zoom Bulletin articles due to Laurie 9:00 am 11:30 am Clara Gay Circle meeting C-3 6:30 pm Missions Committee meeting C-3

Wednesday

Weekly Prayer Team 1:30 pm Prayer Room Pines Pealers 5:45 pm C12 Chancel Choir rehearsal 7:00 pm Choir Room 7:30 pm Westside AA C3

Thursday

8:00 pm AA Group C3

Friday

Bible Study Fellowship Fellowship Hall 5:30 am Parents Night Out 5:30 pm Youth Area

Sunday

9:15 am Sunday School 10:45 am Worship Caring Ministry Committee meeting 12:00 noon C-7 Spain Trip meeting Fellowship Hall 2:00 pm

September Agape



Next Newsletter articles due September 20. Today's Duty Elder: Patsy Jackson

SERMON NOTES

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

> Facebook: www.facebook.com **PinesPresbyterianChurch**

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

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OPPORTUNITIES 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.

In need of someone to talk to? If you want to know more about getting a Stephen Minister, please contact Phil Wetz or Ann Guerra.

Save the Date: Sunday September 22—Picnic Lunch in fellowship hall with hot dogs, chips, and ice cream! Celebrate the end of a fun summer with your Pines Family! Have fun watching slides of Fiesta VBC!

Pines Preschool in Session! We are excited to have our students back on campus each week. Please keep the students, parents and preschool staff in your prayers as they start the new school year. We also ask that you be mindful of their presence on campus as you enter and exit the parking lots. The school also has some openings if you know anyone looking to place their child in an AMAZING preschool.

Second Sunday Lunch —Join the Pines family for lunch today following worship at Via 313 Pizzeria, 10201 Katy Frwy. It's Near Goode Co. Seafood and Velvet Taco.

BINGO! —Join us for a fun time on Thursday, September 19, 6:30pm in Fellowship Hall. Dinner will be available. Please let Linda Aldred know if you'll attend

The Peace & Global Witness Offering is one of four special offerings by the PCUSA. This offering enables the church to promote the peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice in our owe communities and across the world. You can give between now and October 6. Note "Peace Offering" on your gift.

The Brain and Anxiety — Come join Dr. Joy Kreider as she talks about "The Brain and Anxiety" and how it affects us and those around us. This event is sponsored by Pines Stephen Ministry and ALL are welcome. Bring a friend! Thursday, September 26 from 7:15 - 8:30 in the Parlor. No RSVP needed. Please reach out to Phil Wetz or Ann Guerra for more information.

