

#### **Growing Inward**

**Prelude** 

**Gathering for Worship** 

Introit

\*Call to Worship

One Voice: Sing to God a new song,

All Voices: for God has done marvelous things!
One Voice: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth,
All Voices: for God is still doing marvelous things!

One Voice: Break into joyful song!

All Voices: Sing praises with lyre and melody and trumpets! One Voice: Let the seas roar and the floods clap their hands!

All Voices: For God is coming to judge the world with righteousness.

One Voice: God is coming to judge the world with equity.

All Voices: Sing to God a new song!

\*Hymn "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" See Screen

Prayer of Confession See Screen

Tender God, forgive us for our half-hearted faith that loves only when it is easy, and reaches out only to those who are like us, that ignores your less convenient commandments and fails to bear fruit anyone would rejoice in. How can a faith like that conquer the world? Nourish us again, to blossom with whole-hearted faith that abides in your love and shines forth with joy. Through the grace of Jesus Christ, we pray these things.

**Silent Confession** 

**Confessional Response** 

"Hear the Good News of Salvation" See Screen

**Assurance of Grace** 

One Voice: Hear the Good News! The only one who could judge us

calls us friends.

All Voices: Jesus chose us over his own life, so let us choose

Jesus in the life we have now.

One Voice: By the power of the Spirit, our sins are washed away,

and we are made new.

All Voices: Let us live as God's forgiven children. Alleluia!

Amen.

May 5, 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:

Auditory assistance receivers are available from the Ushers.

Liturgists: The Wolfe Children

Sound: Dan Schafer

**Flowers:** The Sanctuary flowers today are given by Scott Greene and family to the Glory of God and memory of Carol.

#### **Pines Presbyterian Church**

is located at 12751 Kimberley Lane, Houston, Texas 77024 ~ 713-467-2234 ~ pinespc.org



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.

**Blessing of the Graduates** 

**Looking Upward** 

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 98:1-6

Anthem

"Oh, Lord, Your Table Now Is Spread"

Chancel Choir

J. Paul Williams, Brad Nix

**Second Scripture Reading** 

John 15:9-17

Sermon

"Love My Name"

Rev. Cheryl Gans

Serving Outward

\*Hymn

"Thine Is the Glory"

See Screen

\*Saying What We Believe (United Church of Canada)

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating. who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the church:

to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others,

to seek justice and resist evil,

to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,

our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

\*Gloria Patri

Offering and Offertory

\*Doxology

Communion of the People and the Lord's Prayer

\*Hymn "Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining" See Screen

\*Charge and Benediction

See Screen \*Benediction Response "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"

**Postlude** 

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

Sara Anderson Anthony Gairo Lynda Barr Jean Breitenwischer Barbara Caffall Carolyn Craig

Judy Shamp Larry Shamp 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, 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 May 5, 2024

Sunday 9:15 am 10:45 am 11:45 am 12:00 pm	Sunday School for all Worship Children's Choir Youth Outreach	Choir Room Offsite
Monday 12:00 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	This Week at Pines to Dan Staff Committee meeting Tending to Grief meeting Al Anon Group	Zoom Parlor Fellowship Hall
<b>Tuesday</b> 7:00 am 9:00 am	Men's Bible Study Bulletin articles due to Laurie	Zoom
Wednesday 1:30 pm 5:45 pm 7:00 pm 8:00 pm	Weekly Prayer Team Pines Pealers Choir Rehearsal Westside AA	Prayer Room C12 Choir Room C3
Thursday 7:00 pm 8:00 pm	Stephen Ministers Training AA Group	C8 C3
Friday 7:00 am 10:00 am Saturday 9:00 am 10:00 am 6:00 pm	Taco and a Prayer Fred Kelly Memorial service Stephen Ministry Training Firefighters Basketball AA Group	Fellowship Hall Sanctuary C8 Gym C3
<u>Sunday</u>		

#### **SERMON NOTES**

## ONLINE GIVING





Choir Room

Instagram.com/ pineshouston

Get the latest announcements and reminders right before events happen. Find us here: https://twitter.com/HoustonPines.

Find us on Facebook www.facebook.com PinesPresbyterianChurch

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

Our Worship services are recorded and livestreamed.

Sunday School for all

Children's Choir

Worship

9:15 am

10:45 am

11:45 am

#### **Church Staff**

The Reverend Andy Gans
Pastor
Kristin Beall
Director of Family Ministries
Laurie Conner
Director of Music Ministries

Church Musician Cindy Houlihan Office Manager Alexis Graham

Shawn Heller

Accounting Manager
Adrian Roman

Custodian/Maintenance

#### Preschool

Connie Pike
Director, Preschool
Karen Cooper
Administrative Assistant

#### Session

#### Class of 2025

Susan Babineck Sharon Dotson Linda Johnson Walter Penberthy Chris Wolfe

#### 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

# 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. Youth Mission Opportunity Following worship today the youth could use your help reaching out to one of the Sherwood Elementary neighborhoods. They will be providing lunch, household items and friendship. To help them handout items or just be friendly, please reach out to Kristin Beall.

**Communion Today** will be served using gluten-friendly bread and juice. When it is time for communion you will be asked to come down the center aisle, receive a piece of bread, take a cup of juice and then return to your seat. We ask that you hold the bread and juice until we all can partake of the meal together as one community of faith.

**Do you use Zelle for bank payments?** The church now accepts payments via Zelle. You can add Pines as one of your authorized recipients by entering the following information in your bank's Zelle transfer page: Name of entity: Pines Presbyterian Church, Inc. Email address: <a href="mailto:ptreasurer@pinespc.org">ptreasurer@pinespc.org</a> There are no fees to use Zelle and Pines receives the funds instantly. It's helpful if you designate the purpose for your gift (pledge payment, flowers, etc.) on the "Reason for Payment" line in Zelle.

