



Third Sunday of Lent

PINES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Growing Inward

Prelude

Gathering for Worship

Introit

*Call to Worship

Phil Wetz

One Voice: Come to the waters of grace.

All Voices: Here, our thirst is satisfied.

One Voice: Come to the rivers of love.

All Voices: Here, our parched mouths sing with praise.

One Voice: Come to the tree bearing the fruit of life.

All Voices: Here, our hungry souls are fed.

One Voice: Come to the One who loves us.

All Voices: Here, our hearts find joy, our spirits reside in deepest love.

One Voice: Come to the waters of grace.

All Voices: Here, our thirst is satisfied.

*Hymn

“Let Us with a Gladsome Mind”

See Screen

Prayer of Confession

See Screen

Merciful God, full of grace,
hear our prayer of confession and need.

As we hunger for forgiveness,
feed us with your grace.

As we thirst for righteousness,
fill us with your mercy,
that we may be merciful and just
as your disciples upon this earth.

As we faint from the aridness
of mistakes that haunt us and sins that destroy us,
lift us from despair into newness of life.

Hold our hands, lift us up, and clutch us to your breast,
that we might cling to you with laughter and joy
in the abundance of your love.

Feed us with your strength and wisdom,
that we might bear fruit,
abundant with love and justice,
for a world in need.

3rd SUNDAY
OF LENT

March 23, 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: Phil Wetz

Sound: Dan Schafer

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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: You are given another chance!

All Voices: God has heard our cries.

One Voice: Turn again to the Lord.

**All Voices: We find comfort and strength in God’s eternal love for us.
We are healed. Amen.**

Children’s Message

Ann Guerra

**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

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

Anthem

“Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me” Chancel Choir
arr. K. Lee Scott

Second Reading

Luke 13:1-9

Sermon

“Road Signs to the Cross — One Way” Rev. Andy Gans

Serving Outward

*Hymn

“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace” See Screen

*Saying What We Believe

See Screen

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.

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

*Gloria Patri

See Screen

Offering and Offertory

*Doxology

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

*Hymn

“God of Grace and God of Mercy” 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 23, 2025

Sunday

2:30 pm NAMI C3

Monday

12:00 pm This Week at Pines to Dan
 6:30 pm Session meeting C3
 7:00 pm Tending to Grief meeting Parlor
 7:30 pm Al Anon Group Fellowship Hall

Tuesday

7:00 am Men's Bible Study Zoom
 9:00 am Bulletin articles due to Laurie

Wednesday

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

Thursday

6:30 pm Active Stephen Ministers C8
 7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Parlor
 8:00 pm AA Group C3

Friday

5:30 am Bible Study Fellowship Fellowship Hall

Saturday

9:00 am Spring Work Day Fellowship Hall

Sunday

9:15 am Sunday School
 10:45 am Worship Sanctuary
 2:30 pm NAMI C3
 6:00 pm Prayer Pal Dinner Fellowship Hall



Next Newsletter articles due April 18.
 Today's Duty Elder: Phil Wetz

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
Office Manager
Alexis Graham
Accounting Manager
Adrian Roman
Custodian/Maintenance



Connie Pike
Director, Preschool
Alicia Flick
Administrative Assistant

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.

Here are some ways to support the Youth Program. Contact Kristin to help!

*Bring a meal during a youth group time. (5-8 total people).

*Sign up to be a co-leader for youth group time or retreat

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.

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

Property Committee Invites YOU!

Spring Work Day **A Variety of Jobs For Every Age and Skill**

March 29 - 9am