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## **Growing Inward**

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude "O Love that Wilt Not Let Me Go" Albert Lister Peace

Tim Holder

**Gathering for Worship** 

"A Perfect Heart" Introit Dony Mcguire

\*Call to Worship (from Ephesians 3:14-21)

One Voice: We bow before the Father and pray that out of His

glorious riches He may strengthen us with power

through his Spirit.

All Voices: We pray that Christ would dwell in our hearts

through faith and that we may be rooted and

grounded in the love of Christ.

One Voice: We pray that together we may have the power to grasp

how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, so that we may be filled with the fullness of God.

All Voices: Now to him who by the power at work within us is

able to accomplish far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

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

**Prayer of Confession** 

We disobey you constantly Lord. You call us to love the Lord our God, but we look to the material, to others, and to our achievements searching for what only you can give. You call us to love our neighbors but instead we compare and envy and use others, failing to see your image within them. And you call us to love ourselves, but we hang onto destructive habits, negative self-talk, and fail time and again to remember who we are as your beloved children. Have mercy on us, Lord, and take from us all that keeps us from the fullness of the love you long to give us.

Silent Confession

See Screen Confessional Response "Healer of Our Every III"

**Assurance of Grace** 

One Voice: By grace we have been saved through faith, and this is

not our doing, but purely a gift of our loving and merciful

God.

All Voices: We owe all to our Lord for in Him we are forgiven,

made new, and loved beyond measure.

All praise to our Living Lord!



### 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: Dan Schafer

**Liturgist**: John Work

Flowers: The Sanctuary flowers are given by Violet O'brien in honor of her Congregational Fellowship Committee members

The rose in the Sanctuary celebrates the birth of Ty Hennard Maddoux. born on April 13, 2021. Great grandmother is Becky Neisig and parents are Rebecca & Blake Maddoux.

\*All who are able may stand



A Stephen Ministry Congregation

## \*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.

# Looking Upward

## Children's Message

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer and song: This is where children belong. This is where children belong.

## The Sacrament of Baptism

Receiving the Sacrament of Baptism Lillian Aimi Popp (Daughter of Harumi and Philip Popp, sister Heidi)

> The Apostles' 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 guick 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.

"Baptized in Water" See Screen \*Hymn

First Reading Genesis 1:27-28a, 1 John 3:1a, Zephaniah 3:17

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" Anthem Bethel Strawser,

Arr/Victor L. Gumma Bells

Psalm 139:1-6, 13-17 Second Reading

Sermon "Being God's Beloved" Rev. Barbara Retzloff

## Serving Outward

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

"I Will Come to You" Hymn See Screen

\*Charge and Benediction

See Screen **Benediction Response** "All I Once Held Dear"

\*Sending Out The Light of Christ

\*Postlude "Mv Savior's Love"

Charles H. Gabriel

## 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.

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# Calendar for the Week of April 18, 2021

Today	p.m.	5:00 8:00	In-Car-Nation WorshipBack Parking Lot AA Meetng
Monday	a.m./p.m a.m. p.m.	10:00 7:00	Committee Minutes Due to Office
Tuesday	a.m.	7:00	Men's Bible Study(Meet by Zoom)
Wednesday	p.m.	1:30 8:00	Weekly Prayer TeamC3 Westside AAFellowship Hall
Thursday	p.m.	6:30	Stephen Miniisters MeetingParlor
Friday	a.m./p.m		Newsletter Articles Due to Office
Saturday	a.m./p.m.		
Sunday	a.m		Third Grade Bible Sunday
		9:00	Nursery open until noon
		9:15	Adult Sunday SchoolFellowship Hall
		9:15	Children's Family Style Sunday SchoolW12
		9:15	Youth Sunday SchoolHigh School Room
		10:45	Worship ServiceSanctuary/Live Streaming on Web
		E.00	and Facebook
	p.m.	5:00	In-Car-Nation Worship Back Parking Lot
	p.m.	8:00	AA MeetingC3

# **SERMON NOTES**



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.comPinesPresbyterian Church-1425251917704955/

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

## **Church Staff**

The Reverend Barbara Retzloff
Temporary Pastoral Stated Supply
Tim Holder
Director, Music Ministry
Jesse Parker
Director, Youth Ministry
Micah Meyers
Communications Coordinator
Cindy Houlihan
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# **Preschool**

Connie Pike
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Administrative Assistant

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# Session

## Class of 2022

Elizabeth Deraps Linda Johnson Karen MacAllister Bob Miller Violet O'Brien

## Class of 2023

Linda Aldred Shirley Bollich Phil Buelow Emily Gairo Ray Stauffacher John Work

#### Class of 2024

Bob Barr Leslie Friedrich Judy Shamp Connie Sipp Phil Wetz

# OPPORTUNITIES UPWARD, INWARD OUTWARD

Newsletter: Input must be in the office by April 23 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 Friday at Noon

**Welcome**, **Guests!** If you have questions about our church, or would like to discuss church membership, please speak with the pastor.

Pastoral Care...We've entered a time of new experience as a Pines family. Rev. Barbara Retzloff is back temporarily to preach and to provide spiritual guidance for the strengthening of the church. Barbara's position is intended to be part time and she will be available for pastoral care in crisis situations. To protect her time it has been decided that day-to-day pastoral concerns and questions will be handled by Rev. Bill Willis, who leads our Stephen Ministry at Pines. We hope that everyone will cooperate in making Barbara's time with us as productive as possible. If you have concerns or questions, or would like to have a Stephen Minister to walk with you, please call Bill or call the church office.

**Sunday School!** While the youth room doors are once again open, we are still keeping an online option for those that are staying home and wish to join us! Sunday School from 9:30am – 10:30am can be accessed here: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83682869768 every week.

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.

The APRIL AGAPE OFFERING will help us fill food bags for Sherwood Elementary families identified by Communities in Schools as being economically disadvantaged. Covid and the recent winter storm have made the need for basic groceries more desperate than ever. If you can't make it to the church with your donations, call Kathy Ropshaw for pickup arrangements. The Missions Committee is always looking for volunteers to help with shopping, packing, and delivering the food bags. If you'd like to help, contact Kathy Ropshaw. > view details & shopping list: https://bit.ly/31CrjXB

Everyone is invited to join in reading, Life of the Beloved by Henri Nouwen. It is an inspiring book and a wonderful reminder of who we are as children of our loving God. Our session is reading it together and so is our church staff. If you would like a copy, please sign up in the narthex or e-mail Barbara at barbara@pinespc.org

In-car-nation today at 5:00 p.m. in our West Bough parking lot. All you will have to do is pull in, park and tune your car radio to FM 107.1.