

LARGE PRINT WORSHIP GUIDE

MARCH 15, 2020

INTROIT (9:30 & 11)

Excerpt from *Come Sing, O Church, in Joy*
The Sanctuary Choir

arr. Mack Wilberg

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Jesus met the widow in her isolation.
All: **Jesus met the crowds at the edge of the sea.**
One: Jesus met the leper in his pain.
All: **And Jesus met the pharisees in their fear.**
One: So with confidence we declare:
All: **Jesus meets us here.**
One: Surely God is in this space.
All: **Let us worship Holy God.**

*HYMN 32

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

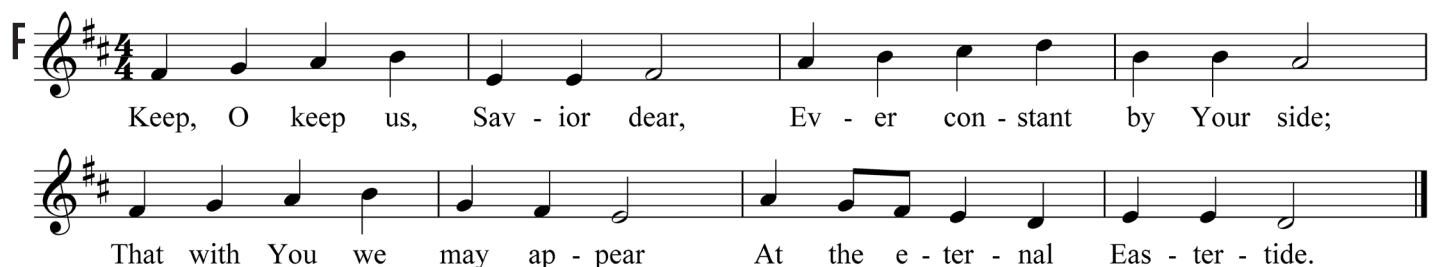
ELLACOMBE

*CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Today and Tomorrow, you ask us to give what we have, but sometimes we give far too much. We burn ourselves out and wear ourselves down. Then in other moments, we don't give at all, hoarding what we have and living out of fear. We long to find that middle ground; the balance of self preservation and radical generosity, but like a seesaw, we rise and fall. Forgive us. Guide us. Tether our centers to you. Humbly we pray, amen.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

One: Friends, hear and believe the good news of the Gospel:
All: **We are saved by grace through faith. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**
Thanks be to God. Amen.



SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 12:41-44

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Sarah Johnson

*HYMN 435 (9:30 A.M.)

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

IN BABILONE

SOLO (11 A.M.)

Cannot Keep You

Zach Light Wells

Michael Gungor

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

In spite of many unanswered questions, I believe. I believe in the living God, the joy of the universe, who from the dust of earth calls up living beings to be children of eternity... I believe in Jesus the Christ, God's true Son, who is bone of our bone and flesh of our flesh, who took upon himself the healing of the human race, who bearing the burden of our sins went to Golgotha carrying his cross, and who on the third day was found to be gloriously alive. I believe in the Holy Spirit of God, who brings hope out of despair, love out of apathy, joy out of sorrow, and unceasingly regenerates and reforms the church. I believe that even I am caught up in the resurgent life of Christ Jesus, and that nothing in life or death can separate me from his love and joy. In spite of unanswered questions, yes I believe.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (9:30 & 11 A.M.)

OFFERTORY

Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated (8:15 a.m.)

Alex Bumpas, soloist

arr. Mark Hayes

Jesu, the Very Thought of Thee (9:30 & 11 a.m.)

The Sanctuary Choir

Paul Halley

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER (8:15 A.M.)

***HYMN 716**

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

BEACH SPRING

***BENEDICTION**

RECESSIONAL

Fugue in C Minor, BWV 537

Johann Sebastian Bach

WORSHIP LEADERS

Today's preacher is Rev. Dr. Sarah Johnson. Artist-in-Residence Bradley Hunter Welch is our Sanctuary organist. Director of Music Steve Jobman leads our Sanctuary Choir. Jared Cook is our Chapel organist. Our acolyte is Amorous Palsm. Our lay liturgist is Randy Skattum. Next week's preacher is Rev. Matthew Ruffner.

FLOWER DEDICATIONS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Elaine and Bill Johnson. The flowers in the Columbarium are given to the glory of God by Win and Joan Hemer in loving memory of their parents; by Margery Thayer in loving memory of her parents, Vernon and Harry Schwartz; and by Tim and Gretchen Feemster in loving memory of Peg and Tim Block.



Rev. Matthew Ruffner
Senior Pastor

Rev. Dr. Sarah Johnson
Senior Associate
Pastor for Adult
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Rev. Mark Brainerd
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Rev. Dr. Bob Poteet
Parish Associate
(Part-time)

Rev. Dr. John Roper
Parish Associate
(Part-time)

Rev. Caroline
Braskamp
Parish Associate
(Part-time)

At Preston Hollow, we want to care for our congregation in all respects, including the physical well-being of our community. To that end, we are making a few adjustments to our life as a community of faith, and are asking you to take precautions to keep yourself and others safe, especially in light of recent developments with the coronavirus. Please go to phpc.org/corona for information.

CONNECT

Visitor Information Sessions: Are you a visitor to PHPC and want to know a little more about the church and its ministries but not ready to become a member? If so, you are invited to join a pastor in the library after the 11 a.m. service on **March 22** for a short, casual conversation about PHPC. No reservation required. Questions? Contact Allison Cochran, acochran@phpc.org

Starting Point - Join PHPC! Our next Starting Point class for prospective new members to join the church will be **March 29**. Register at phpc.org/join. Questions? Contact Allison Cochran, acochran@phpc.org or 214-368-6348 x117.

Easter Flowers: Purchase Easter flowers to decorate PHPC for Easter! Lilies are \$15/each, large flower arrangements are \$150 and flowers to decorate the cross are \$10/each. Forms are available in the Atrium or at phpc.org/lent

LEARN

The Last Gospel, led by Rev. Dr. Margaret Watkins
Sundays, 9:30 a.m. Jubilee Hall **March 15 and 29, April 5**
Join us as we explore Jesus' final week from the perspective of this unique and important gospel.

Growing Saints Garden Club: You are invited to join us on Friday, March 20th for an excursion to "Dallas Blooms" at the Dallas Arboretum as we enjoy the "Sounds of Spring" and have lunch at the DeGolyer House Restaurant. We will carpool from the church, leaving at 9 a.m., returning by 1:30 p.m. Reservations are due by 1 pm **Sunday, March 15** to DeLane Zipper at 214-893-7716 or delanez@swbell.net,

Malawi Lunch and Learn: Tom and Jocelyn Logan founded Marion Medical Mission 35 years ago. It's dedicated to providing clean water to communities in sub-Saharan Africa. On **Sunday, March 22**, following 11 a.m. worship, Tom will share his message and stories with PHPC. Lunch is available by reservation at a cost of \$10. Please visit phpc.org/adultlearning The deadline for lunch reservations is **March 18**.

The Last Week led by Rev. Dr. Sarah Johnson: Using Mark's gospel, we will explore the politics, empire, and power that lurk in the background of Jesus' Palm Sunday story. Participants are asked to read chapter one of Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan's book *The Last Week*. **Sunday, March 22** at 9:30 a.m. in Jubilee Hall B. Register at phpc.org/adultlearning

SERVE

PHPC Serves: Join us the week of **March 23-28** as we serve our community! We have opportunities throughout the city, both inside and outside, and for all ages and abilities! Opportunities available at phpc.org/serve

GIVE

The Every Dollar Counts for March goes to African Road. African Road seeks to partner with global leaders who are already working, serving, and have a vision for transforming lives in their communities. African Road hopes to develop a new model of giving: one that is sensitive to the local economy and culture and the significance of the individual.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayers for family and friends of Carol Tant following the passing of her husband Julius "Mack" Tant on March 2, 2020.

Prayers for family and friends of Donald White following the passing of his son, John White on March 7, 2020.