

# LARGE PRINT WORSHIP GUIDE

NOVEMBER 17, 2019

## OPENING VOLUNTARY

Gaelic Improvisation on "Morning Has Broken"  
Fanfare on "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come!"

Charles Callahan

## INTROIT(9:30 & 11 A.M.)

*O Divine Redeemer*  
Vuyiswa Sigadi, soloist

Charles Gounod

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The abundance of God's steadfast love

All: pours into our lives and flows out to cover the world.

One: We gather together as God's beloved people,

All: a sure sign of God's everlasting grace and mercy.

One: With thanksgiving in our hearts and joy on our lips,

All: let us sing praises to holy God!

## \*HYMN 611

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

HYMN TO JOY

## \*CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, we confess that the storms of this life are overwhelming. Rather than turning to you, we turn to quick fixes and cling to easy answers. We seek affirmation and safety from the idols of our own making. Still, you invite us to witness your power – to leave our comforts and lean into faith. Not because following Christ Jesus is safe, but because it is the path to abundant life. Holy Spirit, deliver us from our fears, hold space for our doubts, and never let us go. 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.

## \*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.

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 14:22-33

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

### SERMON

Risking God's Abundance

Rev. Matthew Ruffner

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We acknowledge one God alone, whose demands on us are absolute, whose help for us is sufficient. That One is the Lord, whom we worship, serve, and love. We do not fully comprehend who God is or how God works. God's reality far exceeds all our words can say. The Lord's requirements are not always what we think is best. The Lord's care for us is not always what we want. God comes to us on God's own terms and is able to do far more than we ask or think.

### \*HYMN 716 (VERSE 1)

*God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending*

BEACH SPRING

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

### OFFERTORY

*Thanks Be to God* (8:15 a.m.)

Stanley Dicksen

Kristen Bumpas, soloist

*Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* (9:30 & 11 a.m.)

arr. Mack Wilberg

The Sanctuary Choir

Text found at Hymn 367

### \*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all people here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## **\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

### **\*HYMN 475**

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

NETTLETON

### **\*BENEDICTION**

### **RECESSIONAL**

Marche Triomphale on "Now Thank We All Our God"

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

## **WORSHIP LEADERS**

Today's preacher is Rev. Matthew Ruffner. Director of Music Steve Jobman leads our Sanctuary Choir. Organ Scholar Jared Cook is our 8:15 a.m. organist. Artist-in-Residence Bradley Hunter Welch is our organist at 9:30 & 11 a.m. Our lay liturgist is Madeline Sumrow. Our acolytes are Dillon and Axel Kennedy. Next week's preacher is Rev. Matthew Ruffner.

## **FLOWER DEDICATIONS**

The flowers decorating the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Camille and Jim Brown in loving memory of Hazel Bryan Brown and Louise Bryan Bradshaw and Margaret Blackstone. The flowers decorating the Chapel are given to the glory of God by Cindy Weatherall in thanksgiving for the blessings of her family.



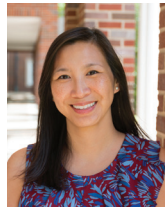
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Learning and  
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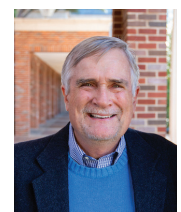
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Associate Pastor for  
Mission and Outreach



Rev. Sarah Are  
Associate Pastor  
for Youth and  
Young Adults



Rev. Dr. Bob Poteet  
Parish Associate



Rev. Dr. John Roper  
Parish Associate

## CONNECT

**Holiday Poinsettias and Wreath:** A wonderful holiday tradition at PHPC is that members and friends purchase poinsettias and fresh wreaths to enhance the Christmas worship experience. Poinsettias are \$12 each and Noble fir wreaths are \$27 each. You can order in the Atrium or at [phpc.org/wreath](http://phpc.org/wreath). The deadline to order is **November 24**.

**Faith and Grief Luncheon:** If you have experienced the death of a loved one, join us for the monthly luncheon at noon, **November 21**, at PHPC. Register at [faithandgrief.org](http://faithandgrief.org) or call 469.251.9612. For information on monthly luncheons, contact Susan McDaniel at [smcdaniel1952@yahoo.com](mailto:smcdaniel1952@yahoo.com) or call 214.207.3980.

**The Thread Friendsgiving:** All young adults are invited to our third annual Thread Friendsgiving on **November 23!** Dinner will be served at Sarah Are's house. We will eat together, reflect on the things we're grateful for in the past year, and play a few games to get to know one another better. Email Sarah Are for details at [sare@phpc.org](mailto:sare@phpc.org)

**Thanksgiving Movie Night:** All kids are welcome on **November 25 from 6-8 p.m.** Join us for a movie in Founders Hall for a pizza dinner, gratitude station and the movie *Up*. Register at [phpc.org/phpckids](http://phpc.org/phpckids)

**Route 56 Christmas Party:** Calling all fifth and sixth graders! Put on your jingle bells and party hats on **December 1** from 12:15 - 1:30 p.m. Register at [phpc.org/route56](http://phpc.org/route56).

**Blue Christmas:** For many, Christmas is a time when we need reassurance in the face of grief, loss, illness and other times of sorrow. This service, on **Monday, December 2** at 7 p.m. in the Chapel, is a time of quiet reflection, meaningful words, and music to seek comfort, hope and wholeness rooted in the good news of "God With Us: Emmanuel!"

## GROW

**Climate Change and Faith Lunch and Learn: November 17 and 24** following 11 a.m. worship. Dr. Robert Haley, an epidemiologist at UT Southwestern, will talk the scientific evidence and the biblical connections around climate change.

\*lunch \$10

## SERVE

**Christmas Elves Needed!** The church flower committee is seeking volunteers to help with Christmas decorating on **Saturday, December 7**, from 9 a.m.-noon. This fun time will include putting up wreaths, poinsettias, Christmas trees, greenery and garlands. Please contact Sandra Zelley at [snzelley@icloud.com](mailto:snzelley@icloud.com) or 678-521-1181.

**Angel Tree Gifts & Literacy Achieves Gift Shop:** Pick up a shopping list and drop off donated toys in the Atrium through **December 15**. Donated gifts support children and families of Literacy Achieves and Heart House, two Vickery Meadow organizations serving refugees and immigrants. On **December 6 and 7**, help set up and assist a fun Christmas shopping experience for parents at two Literacy Achieves campuses.

## GIVE

**Commit 2020:** This week, we continue our four-week stewardship season of Commit. During Commit we pledge our financial estimates of giving supporting the mission and ministry of the church for the year ahead. You can use the pledge card located in your pews, or visit [phpc.org/give](http://phpc.org/give)

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

Congratulations to Kim and Frank Woosley following the birth of the grandson, Graham Phillip Woosley, on October 3.

Congratulations to Margaret and Tom Williams following the birth of their granddaughter, Hallie Ekmark Williams, born on November 8.

Prayers for family and friends of Jonell Megredy following her passing on November 5.

Prayers for family and friends of Melissa Bourestom following the passing of her mom, Caroline Bourestom on November 8. The memorial service will be at PHPC in the Sanctuary on November 20 at 11 a.m.

Prayers for Bruce Beavers and Lisa Clark following the passing of his father, William "Bob" Beavers on October 24, 2019.