

# LARGE PRINT WORSHIP GUIDE

JANUARY 13, 2019  
8:15, 9:30 AND 11 A.M.

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

“Whether your faith is that there is a God or that there is not a God, if you don’t have any doubts, you are either kidding yourself or asleep. Doubts are the ants in the pants of faith. They keep it awake and moving.”

- Frederick Buechner, in *Wishful Thinking: a Seeker’s ABC*

## OPENING VOLUNTARY

Prelude in E-Flat Major and Melody in G Major

Alexandre Guilmant

## INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

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

*Wade in the Water*

Alex Bumpas, soloist

arr. Mark Hayes

## CALL TO WORSHIP

One: When we come to worship,

All: **We bring the joys of life and cherished memories.**

One: When we come to worship,

All: **We bring big questions and significant fears.**

One: When we come to worship,

All: **We bring all of ourselves.**

One: With all that we bring and all that we are,

All: **Let us worship God!**

## \*HYMN 667

*When Morning Gilds the Skies*

LAUDES DOMINI

## **\*CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God of the grey area, we know that life is more than black and white, for we have experienced the nuance and complexity of this world time and time again. Forgive us for seeking easy answers and relying on trite beliefs. Remind us that you call us to seek after you, and that in seeking, we grow. Break the binaries that constrain us and help us live fully into the mystery of faith. Amen.

## **\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

## **\*WORDS OF FORGIVENESS**

LEADER: Friends, hear and believe the good news of the Gospel:

PEOPLE: We are saved by grace through faith. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.

## **\*GLORIA PATRI (HYMN 581)**

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**

Deuteronomy 30:19-20a

## **SERMON**

A Googled Faith: Does everything happen for a reason?

Rev. Matthew Ruffner

## **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

We are certain that Jesus lives. He lives as God with us, touching all of human life with the presence of God. He lives as one of us with God. Because he shares our humanity and has bound us to himself in love, we have an advocate in the innermost life of God.

## **\*HYMN 463 (9:30 AND 11 A.M.)**

*How Firm a Foundation*

FOUNDATION

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

God calls us to hope for more than we have yet seen. The hope God gives us is ultimate confidence that supports us when lesser hopes fail us. In Christ God gives hope for a new heaven and earth, certainty of victory over death, assurance of mercy and judgment beyond death. This hope gives us courage for the present struggle.

## PRESENTATION OF TITHES/OFFERINGS

### OFFERTORY MUSIC

*Wade in the Water* (8:15 a.m.)

Alex Bumpas, soloist

arr. Mark Hayes

*And Then Shall Your Light Break Forth* (9:30 & 11 a.m.)

Felix Mendelssohn

### \*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

### COMMUNION OF THE LORD

### \*HYMN 475

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

NETTLETON

### \*BENEDICTION

### CLOSING VOLUNTARY

### WORSHIP LEADERS

Our preacher today is Rev. Matthew Ruffner. Director of Music Steve Jobman is conducting our Sanctuary Choir. Artist-in-Residence Bradley Hunter Welch is playing today's service. Our acolyte is Alex Reich. Our lay liturgist is Melanie Sumrow. Next week's preacher is Rev. Matthew Ruffner.

### FLOWER DEDICATIONS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by the Slaney and Silguero Families in loving memory of their mother, Alice Slaney Davis. The flowers in the Chapel are given by Barbara Rhodes in loving memory of Charles L. (Dusty) Rhodes.



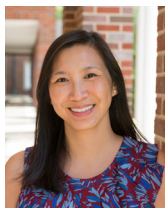
Rev. Matthew Ruffner  
Senior Pastor



Rev. Sarah Johnson  
Senior Associate  
Pastor for Adult  
Learning and  
Engagement



Rev. Mark Brainerd  
Senior Associate Pastor  
for Congregational Care  
and Administration



Rev. Kathy Lee-Cornell  
Associate Pastor for  
Mission and Outreach



Rev. Sarah Are  
Associate Pastor  
for Youth and  
Young Adults



Rev. Jessie Light-  
Wells  
Monie Pastoral  
Resident



Rev. Dr. Bob Poteet  
Parish Associate



Rev. Dr. John Roper  
Parish Associate

## CONNECT

**Second Sunday Lunch:** Join us following 11 a.m. worship for enchiladas (chicken and cheese) rice and beans, salad, guacamole and desserts. \$10 per adult and teen \$5 ages 6-12, no charge 5 and under. Immediate family maximum \$30.

**New Member Lunch:** Interested in joining PHPC? You're invited to lunch following today's 11 a.m. service in Jubilee Hall to learn more!

**Youth Family Spring Potluck:** Kick off the new season, tonight from 6:15-8 p.m. in the youth house. Bring your family, a dish to share, and come learn about what's coming up this spring & summer in the youth department!

**Officer Nominations:** Please take the time to look over the nomination form in the Atrium. You can fill out your nominations on the form and drop in the box in the Atrium, or go online to [www.phpc.org/nominate](http://www.phpc.org/nominate)

**Grief Support Group:** Our Grief Support Group meets for six weeks to walk with you on the journey of processing grief. The group, led by Rev. Mark Brainerd and Dee Wadsworth includes a custom notebook and the books "Understanding Your Grief" by Dr. Alan D. Wolfelt and "Healing After Loss" by Martha Whitmore Hickman. \$25 cost, scholarships available.

**January 22-February 26 on** Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.  
Register at [www.phpc.org/grief](http://www.phpc.org/grief)

## SERVE

**Route 56:** All 5th and 6th graders are invited to hand-pack meals at Feed my Starving Children on **Saturday, January 19** from 8:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Register at [www.phpc.org/route56](http://www.phpc.org/route56)

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

**Prayers for:** the family and friends of Carla Peacock. Her mother, Beverly Sellman passed away December 24, 2018.

**Prayers for:** the family and friends of Ken and Kathiann Crews. Their son, Ike passed away December 30, 2018.

## UPCOMING

**February 3:** Communion Sunday

## GROW

**Much Ado About Sharia:** Led by Dr. Whitney Bodman, Associate Professor of Comparative Religion at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary. **Today** at 12:15 p.m. in Jubilee Hall. Join us for lunch and conversation.

**Pastors Study Resumes: A Googled Faith, Podcast Style Mondays, January 14, 28, and February 4** at 12:15 p.m. in the Youth House. Join PHPC pastors for discussion on interviews by Duke Divinity School's Kate Bowler on her Everything Happens (And Other Lies I've Loved) Podcast. Week 1: Nadia Bolz Weber, "The Insight of Outsiders" Listen at [katebowler.com/everything-happens](http://katebowler.com/everything-happens)

**Presbyterian Women:** All PHPC women are invited to a January circle meeting **Monday, January 14, or Tuesday, January 15.** Monday: 9:30 a.m. for refreshments and Bible study in Jubilee Hall, lunch by reservation. 5:30 for BYO supper and Bible study in the Parlor. Tuesday: 10 a.m. for refreshments and Bible study in the Parlor. The study is taught by Rev. John Roper. Contact Pat Coggan [pcoggan@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pcoggan@sbcglobal.net) or 214.369.3068.

**Growing Saints Garden Club:** On **Friday, January 18** at 10 a.m. in Jubilee Hall, GSCG welcomes Mr. Daron Babcock, Executive Director of Bonton Farms located in South Dallas. He will speak about "agricultural intervention" which cultivates a sustainable urban farm using innovative techniques.

**Invitation to All Women:** The Presbyterian Women's Retreat will be held **Saturday, February 2, 9:30 – 2 pm** at Springhill Farm Lodge. Rev. Mark Brainerd will lead us in a time of fellowship, spiritual renewal and thoughtful ideas centered around "Choosing Your Attitude: Approaching Lent with Purpose and Promise." \$10 registration includes lunch and will hold your space (limited to 40 participants). Contact Billi Duray at [mpduray@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mpduray@sbcglobal.net) or 214.341.8026.

## GIVE

The Every Dollar Counts for January goes to Promise House. Promise House welcomes all eligible clients regardless of race, ethnicity, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, religion, political belief or CPS status. Since 1984, Promise House has served approximately 1,700 youth and families annually. Promise House's mission is to move youth in crisis toward safety and success.