

# LARGE PRINT WORSHIP GUIDE

SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

## OPENING VOLUNTARY

Organ Duo Variations on "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

Michael Burkhardt

## INTROIT (9:30 & 11)

Excerpt from "Sing Praise to the Lord"  
The Sanctuary Choir

arr. Mack Wilberg

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The world belongs to God

All: **The earth and all its people**

One: It is good to live in community

All: **To work and talk with each other**

One: Love and faith come together

All: **Justice and peace join hands**

One: We are glad to be in God's house

All: **To listen and sing, pray and serve, gather and study, care and give, to worship the living God. Let us worship God together!**

## \*HYMN 35

*Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty*

LOBE DEN HERREN

## \*CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of the three in one, we confess that sometimes we try and go at it alone, isolating ourselves from you and from one another. We convince ourselves that the details of our lives are better, easier, faster if managed alone. We remain silent when we could speak. We speak when we could listen. We close the door when we could fling it wide open. We judge when we could seek understanding. We cling when we could give. Forgive us, O God, for our individualism and self-centeredness. Remind us that we belong to you and to one another. 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

Hebrews 11: 17a, 20-34

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

### SERMON

Why Church?

Rev. Matthew Ruffner

## \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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. We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ; that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peace-maker, that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells.

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

### OFFERTORY

*How Lovely Are Thy Dwellings* (8:15 a.m.)

Kristen Bumpas, soloist

Samuel Liddle

*A Clare Benediction* (9:30 & 11 a.m.)

The Sanctuary Choir

John Rutter

## \*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

## BIBLE DEDICATIONS

### \*HYMN 804

*Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!*

MARION

### \*BENEDICTION

### CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Toccata on "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!"

## WORSHIP LEADERS

Today's preacher is Rev. Matthew Ruffner. Director of Music Steve Jobman leads our Sanctuary Choir. Artist-in-Residence Bradley Hunter Welch is our organist. Eleanor Miller is our liturgist. Next week's preacher is Rev. Matthew Ruffner.

## FLOWER DEDICATIONS

The flowers decorating the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by Sharon Balch in loving memory of family members. The flowers in the Chapel are given to the glory of God by the family of Matthew John Patrick in celebration of his life. The flowers in the Columbarium are given to the glory of God by Charlotte Test in loving memory of Donald N. Test, Jr; and the Newton Jones family in loving memory of Betty Jones.



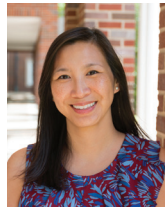
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Senior Associate  
Pastor for Adult  
Learning and  
Engagement



Rev. Mark Brainerd  
Senior Associate Pastor  
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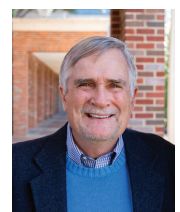
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Mission and Outreach



Rev. Sarah Are  
Associate Pastor  
for Youth and  
Young Adults



Rev. Dr. Bob Poteet  
Parish Associate



Rev. Dr. John Roper  
Parish Associate

## CONNECT

**Youth Family Potluck:** All families with a student in the youth house are invited to a special potluck! Bring your favorite dish to share, as well as your calendar! We will play a few games, eat together, and hear what exciting events we have planned for the year. See you **September 15** at 6:15 p.m. in the youth house!

**Faith and Grief Luncheon:** If you have experienced the death of a loved one and need a place to process your grief, join us for a monthly luncheon at noon, **September 19** at PHPC. Register at [faithandgrief.org](http://faithandgrief.org) or contact Susan McDaniel at [smcdaniel1952@yahoo.com](mailto:smcdaniel1952@yahoo.com) or call 214.207.3980.

**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 Mahlon Hight includes a custom notebook and the books "Understanding Your Grief" by Dr. Alan D. Wolfelt and "Healing After Loss" by Martha W. Hickman. \$25 cost, scholarships available. Register at [phpc.org/grief](http://phpc.org/grief)

**Starting Point:** Interested in joining PHPC? Attend our Starting Point Sunday on **September 29!** For more information and to register, go to [phpc.org/join](http://phpc.org/join)

## GROW

**Time Out for Moms: *Becoming Mom Strong*** by Heidi St. John. Join this study aimed at moms of all ages. All are welcome whenever you can join through **October 24** (excluding October 3 and 17). Thursdays, 7 – 8:30 p.m. in the Youth House.

**Bible 101: September 15 and September 22** at 9:30 a.m. Jubilee Hall B. In this two-week class we will explore the basics of the Old and New Testaments. Led by Rev. Sarah Johnson and Rev. Caroline Braskamp

**Senior Adult Ministry Information Sessions:** On **Wednesday, October 2** Senior Source is providing three workshops: Medicare Updates and General Information; Care for the Care Giver and Essential Life Plans. Petaluma is providing lunch for \$10 (pay at the door) Register at [phpc.org/seniorsessions](http://phpc.org/seniorsessions)

## Fall Table Groups: September 23-November 4

PHPC's small groups are starting up for the fall! This eight-week series matches the scriptures for the sermon series in worship. [phpc.org/tablegroups](http://phpc.org/tablegroups)

**Growing Saints Garden Club:** will hold its first meeting of the year on **Friday, September 20** at 10 a.m. in Jubilee Hall. The Dallas Arboretum will present a program on their Trial Gardens. Guests are welcome. Contact Elizabeth Small ([stanliz@gmail.com](mailto:stanliz@gmail.com)) for more information.

**How to Raise an Adult by Julie Lythcott-Haims, Book Discussion. Sundays Sept 29, Oct 13, Oct 20, Oct 27** 9:30-10:30 a.m., Parlor. Hosted by Covenant Community. Ever feel like parenting is a like a rollercoaster—and you're gripping the safety bar and your children for dear life? We'll discuss practical tips for giving our kids independence in small steps as they grow, as well spiritual dimensions of parenting differently.

## SERVE

**PHPC Serves Sign-Ups!** Let us go out and be the church in the world by serving with our community partners **September 23-28**. There are eight great sites and over 100 volunteer spots! Sign up at [phpc.org/serve](http://phpc.org/serve). Contact Rev. Kathy Lee-Cornell, [kleecornell@phpc.org](mailto:kleecornell@phpc.org)

## GIVE

The Every Dollar Counts for September goes to Evergreen Life Services, whose mission is to serve, to provide for, and to champion individuals with intellectual and developmental differences. Next month, Evergreen is launching its newest program – EVERGREEN GROWS, a horticultural program based at their Dallas facility.

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

Please pray for the family and friends of Carol Thomas – she is a longtime member of PHPC and her husband, Jim passed away on September 9, 2019.