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Trusting that All Belong to God. Living Like We Belong to One Another.

OCTOBER 26, 2025

11 A.M.

A WORD OF WISDOM
**The Word of God: Pardes
Kirkin' O' the Tartans**

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Adagio in E Minor

Frank Bridge

WELCOME & INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Please check in through the Connect App, by signing the register found in the pew, or by scanning this code.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Please greet one another with “The peace of Christ be with you” or “And also with you.”



PROCESSION OF THE TARTANS

North Texas Caledonian Pipe Band

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: With nature in its power and beauty,

All: we gather in praise of God.

One: With believers and seekers the whole world wide,

All: we gather in praise of God.

One: With angels and saints in heaven,

All: we gather in praise of God.

One: Here let heaven and earth embrace;

All: here may God's people find home.

*HYMN 15

All Creatures of Our God and King
Verses 1, 2, 4, and 6

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

adapted from Iona Abbey Worship Book

For the right roads we avoided traveling, and the kind words we refused to share; for the false gods who received our worship, and the true selves we have starved of love: God, by your grace, forgive us. For the hidden hurts we have held too tightly, and for the promises which we never kept; for the careless use of our time and money, and the excuses we should never have made: God, by your grace, forgive us. For all we should be and all we can amend: God, in your love, renew us. Amen.

*WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

One: 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

GREATOREX

**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.**

PROCLAIMING

CHILDREN'S SERMON

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Cooper William Thompson

Graham Patrick Thompson

Sons of Ramie and Reid Thompson

Anne Smith, Sponsoring Elder

Rev. Mark Brainerd
Karen McCracken, Liturgical Elder

Congregational Response:

There is a hand that will hold on to you

In every storm and every season

It's trustworthy and true

Hold to it tight and you'll find life that makes you new

But even if you let go, it is still holding you

In these holy waters there's a promise you can't sever

You are named and claimed forever

Named and Claimed, Written by Kendall Payne, 2025

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Luke 5:1-11

SERMON

The Word of God: Pardes

A Word of Wisdom

Rev. Mark Brainerd

RESPONDING

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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 quick 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

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All \$1 bills and all coins will be included in our 'Every Dollar Counts' offering, benefiting Project Unity. To learn more about EDC, visit phpc.org/impact.



OFFERTORY

Amazing Grace
The Sanctuary Choir and bagpipes

arr. Mack Wilberg

*DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

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

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

*HYMN 702

Christ Be Beside Me

BUNESSAN

*BENEDICTION

*RECESSIONAL

North Texas Caledonian Pipes and Drums

POSTLUDE

Highland Cathedral

Michael Korb and Uli Roever

WORSHIP LEADERS

The preacher today is Rev. Mark Brainerd. Rev. Caroline Grindrod, Jessie Moran, Trey Graves, Lauren Hood, and Rev. Elizabeth Snyder are the liturgists. The guest organist is Jared Cook. Steve Jobman, Artistic Director-in-Residence, conducts the Sanctuary Choir. Adelaide Winkelmann is the acolyte.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayers and joy on the birth of Sullivan Arthur Dietrich on July 17 to parents Sydney and Grace Dietrich, proud grandparents Annell and Kelly Williams, and uncle Ryan Williams.

Prayers for Jennifer Davis and her family on the death of her mother, Betsy Johnson, on October 19.

Prayers for John and Pam Henry and their family on the death of John's father, John Talbot Henry Jr, last week in Philadelphia.

FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given by the Tan Family in loving memory of Martha Tan and in celebration of her birthday.

The flowers in the Columbarium Garden are given by Beverly Patrick in loving memory of Catherine Robertson, by The Tan Family in loving memory of Martha Tan, by Linda Elliot in loving memory of Jim Elliot, by Anne Ashby in loving memory of Dr. Michael Duren, and by Nancy Anderson in loving memory of Judith Anderson Garza.

FOR OUR GUESTS

OUR SERVICE OF WORSHIP EXTENDS BEYOND THE WALLS OF THE SANCTUARY in the form of video recording and live streaming. Your presence with us today signifies consent to the possibility that your image may be included as part of our media broadcast. Children of all ages are welcome in worship! Worship kits are available on the white cube shelves in the north and south transepts. We also provide a professionally staffed nursery in room S168 (across from the church office) for infants through 36 months. For those with unique needs, we offer several items to make the worship service more accessible: assisted listening devices, large print Bibles, hymnals, bulletins, and hymn sheets. Please ask an usher for any of these items. Please notify an usher if you need assistance.

KIRKIN' O' THE TARTANS

After the Presbyterian form of church government was established by John Calvin in Switzerland, the movement spread to Scotland in 1559. In 1690, the official state church of Scotland became Presbyterian. In 1746, when the union between England and Scotland began to crumble, the English armies won the Battle of Culloden Moor, battering the hopes of the Scots. They executed clan chiefs and for the next 40 years forbade Scots to be armed, to wear kilts, or to play bagpipes. But the resourceful Scots hid scraps of tartan (distinctive cross-lined patterns representing specific Scottish clans) in their pockets. When a pastor of a kirk (church) gave a signal, parishioners would reach in their pockets to touch the scrap, thus preserving the dignity and honor of their heritage.

The Kirkin' in its present form was probably first held in Washington, D. C.'s New York Avenue Presbyterian Church in 1941. The minister was Dr. Peter Marshall, born in Scotland, who was the Chaplain to the U.S. Senate.

Beyond the particular heritage of Scotland and its people, Preston Hollow's Kirkin' is intended to encourage all participants to reflect with thanksgiving on their own family and ethnic heritage, and to celebrate God's grace poured out for all generations.



Rev. Matthew Ruffner
Senior Pastor



Rev. Mark Brainerd
Senior Associate Pastor



Rev. Caroline Grindrod
Associate Pastor for Young
Adults, Developing Families, &
Connection



Rev. Elizabeth Snyder
Monie Pastoral Resident



Rev. Caroline Braskamp
Pastoral Associate for
Faith Formation



Rev. Dr. John Roper
Parish Associate

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONNECTION



Today at PHPC

- 10 a.m. - Pardes Bible Study in Jubilee Hall
- 11 a.m. - Kirkin' O' the Tartans
- Noon - Coffee Hour in the Atrium
- 6-8 p.m. - Youth Group in the Youth House

Pardes

PaRDeS means garden or orchard in Hebrew. It's also an acronymic:

- Peshat ("surface"): the simple meaning
- Remez ("hint"): the metaphorical meaning
- Derash ("seek"): interpretative meaning (compare to other Scriptures, apply to own life)
- Sod ("secret"): the spiritual meaning

All Saints' Sunday Services

Sunday | November 2 | 8, 9 and 11 a.m.

All Saints' Sunday is the day that we gather to remember all the saints who have shaped our faith, especially those who have joined the "great cloud of witnesses." We will hold a service of remembrance in the Columbarium Garden at 8 a.m., followed by our usual 9 a.m. contemporary service and 11 a.m. traditional service. All services will include communion and the tolling of a bell in memory of those who have passed into eternal life during the past year. Additionally, the Sanctuary Choir will offer Gabriel Fauré's Requiem during the 11 a.m. worship service, accompanied by chamber orchestra. We will pass the communion trays instead of coming forward for intinction to limit movement while the choir sings.

Going Deeper: How Words Have Meaning with Danielle Shroyer

Sunday | November 2 | 10 a.m. | Jubilee B

What's in a word? And how does language shape our beliefs and actions? Join Danielle Shroyer for this overview of linguistic theory, language philosophy, and how it all relates to theology, faith, and most specifically, our theme, A Word of Wisdom.

DATE CHANGE! Rev. Matthew Ruffner's Ten-Year Celebration!

Rev. Matthew Ruffner's Ten-Year Celebration is now on Sunday, November 9! Join us during both services to celebrate Matthew's tenth anniversary as Senior Pastor at PHPC! If you would like to be part of a special congregational thank you, stop by the welcome desk and speak with a staff member today. Let's keep it a surprise for Matthew!

Commit - Rooted in Faith, Growing in Wisdom

Today, October 26, is Commit Sunday! We hope you've made your pledge for the year ahead. Thank you to everyone who has already committed to supporting PHPC, your generosity allows us to plan boldly and sustain ministries that nurture faith, wisdom, and community. Together, we can keep our church strong and thriving. Join us in being Rooted in Faith and Growing in Wisdom. If you haven't yet made your pledge, you can do so right now at phpc.org/commit, through the Realm app by selecting 'Giving + Pledges,' or by scanning the QR code above.

Crowded Table

Sunday | November 2 | 5 p.m. | Outside

We believe that there is room for everyone at Christ's table! To celebrate this belief, we are excited to host our first Crowded Table, with one continuous table stretching from the soccer field into the front parking lot. You, your family, and your friends are all invited to share a meal together. Dinner will include lasagna, salad, and dessert. Go to phpc.org/events to RSVP or to help host a table. If you have any questions, please reach out to Caroline Grindrod or Lauren Hood.

Mah Jong at PHPC

Thursday | October 30 | 1 - 2:30 p.m. | S220

The Toy Luck Club has come to PHPC! Have you heard the buzz about the tile game Mah Jong? Here is your chance to learn the fundamentals, and if you already know how to play, this group is for you too! Join us on October 30 as Miranda Lind guides you through the ins and outs of the game. Whether you joined us last week or are coming for the first time, we would love to have you! Come discover the fun and strategy behind Mah Jong. For more information, email Miranda.Y.Lind@gmail.com.

PHPC Serves - Kindness Week

November 14 - 16 | Various Locations

Mark your calendars for PHPC Serves, November 14 to 16, as we join together to celebrate Dallas Kindness Week through hands on projects that share care and compassion with our community partners. Registration opens next week, so stay tuned to choose how you'll take part in spreading kindness across Dallas.

Pick up our new monthly newsletter, "Horizon," at the Atrium Counter, highlighting special events from each ministry area.