



HOUSTON LAKE

Presbyterian Church

*Proclaiming and Living in the Light
of the Gospel of Jesus Christ*

Welcome to HLPC!

Houston Lake Presbyterian Church (PCA) is here for the glory of God to be a graciously redeemed worshiping body that proclaims and lives in the light of the gospel of Jesus Christ so that people, families, and communities in Houston County and beyond may know Christ in all His fullness.

Please set all mobile phones to silent mode.

Children of all ages are welcome in the worship service. A crying room is in the back of the sanctuary. Children ages 4 yrs-2nd grade are dismissed during the sermon for “Teach Me to Worship” in the church Fellowship Hall.



For **online giving** you may use this QR code:

The Lord's Supper is being served this morning.

HLPC welcomes all Christians who are willing to forsake their sin and trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, and who are baptized members of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, to participate in the Lord's Supper. Children who have been examined by the elders and admitted to the Lord's Table are able to partake of this Sacrament. If you are not a Christian, or you are not prepared to share in this sacrament, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. [Gluten free wafers are in the center bread cups].

Leading us in worship today:

Pastoral Intern Zach Hood

LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

FEBRUARY 25, 2024

† -indicates congregation is to stand

GATHERING

PRELUDE

We enter the sanctuary and gather as God's people with the intent of worshiping the one, true, and living God. Let the music being played remind us of our purpose here this morning.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please fill out the connection card located in the seatbacks and drop it in the collection boxes located in the foyer at the end of the service.

SILENT PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

†CALL TO WORSHIP - *The First Word*

We believe that God always initiates with sinners, so we begin worship with His Word, His invitation to us to gather in His name.

Minister: Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice,

People: **“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!”**

Minister: And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying,

People: **“To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!”** (Revelation 5:11-13)

†PRAYER FOR GOD'S PRESENCE

†CORPORATE CONFESSION OF OUR FAITH

“The Word Made Flesh,” The Ligonier Statement on Christology

We confess the mystery and wonder of God made flesh and rejoice in our great salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord.

With the Father and the Holy Spirit, the Son created all things, sustains all things, and makes all things new.

Truly God, He became truly man, two natures in one person.

He was born of the Virgin Mary and lived among us. Crucified, dead, and buried, He rose on the third day, ascended to heaven, and will come again in glory and judgment.

For us, He kept the Law, atoned for sin, and satisfied God’s wrath. He took our filthy rags and gave us His righteous robe.

He is our Prophet, Priest, and King, building His church, interceding for us, and reigning over all things.

Jesus Christ is Lord; we praise His holy Name forever. Amen.

REMEMBERING THE GOSPEL

CALL TO CONFESS OUR SINS

Confession of sin is a way that we are refreshed in the gospel and are reminded that it is truly good news. Rather than wallowing in our sin, we deal with sin and guilt by confessing it and claiming God’s promise of forgiveness in Christ.

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. (Psalm 32:1-2)

SILENT CONFESSION OF OUR SIN

HYMN OF CONFESSION & GRACE

"I Asked the Lord that I Might Grow"

1. I asked the Lord that I might grow
In faith and love and ev'ry grace,
Might more of His salvation know,
And seek more earnestly His face.
2. 'Twas He who taught me thus to pray,
And He, I trust, has answered prayer,
But it has been in such a way
As almost drove me to despair.
3. I hoped that in some favored hour
At once He'd answer my request,
And, by His love's constraining pow'r,
Subdue my sins and give me rest.
4. Instead of this, He made me feel
The hidden evils of my heart
And let the angry pow'rs of hell
Assault my heart and laid me low.
5. Yes, more with His own hand He seemed
Intent to aggravate my woe,
Crossed all the fair designs I schemed,
Humbled my heart and laid me low.
6. "Lord, why is this," I trembling cried:
"Wilt thou pursue Thy worm to death?"
"Tis in this way," the Lord replied,
"I answer prayer for grace and faith."

7. "These inward trials I employ
From self and pride to set thee free
And break thy schemes of earthly joy
That thou may'st find thy all in Me.

†WORDS OF GRACE

Minister: I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin. (Psalm 32:5)

People: **God's steadfast love and faithfulness are proven to us in the life, death, burial, and resurrection of His Son by whom all our sins are forgiven!
Glory to God! Amen.**

†GREETING ONE ANOTHER

Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. (Romans 15:7)

†HYMN OF CELEBRATION

"Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us"

#599

SPECIAL MUSIC OFFERING:

Ladies Trio "Agnus Dei" (with "How Great Thou Art")

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Ruling Elder Kevin Epperson

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.

Children ages 4 to second grade will come to the front to pray with the Pastor before being dismissed to their time of "Teach Me to Worship."

HEARING GOD SPEAK

†**SCRIPTURE READING**

Exodus 15:1-21

p.57

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

Rev. Paul Bankson

*Redeemed: Studies in Exodus
"A Singing People"*

RESPONDING TO THE GOD OF GRACE

OFFERING

Our giving to God is a response to the gospel. We give as an act of worship and as an expression of our trust in God to meet all our needs. You may place your gifts in the offering box in the church foyer or you may use the QR code on inside cover of this bulletin for online giving. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. (Hebrews 13:16)

MEETING GOD AT HIS TABLE

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

COMMUNION HYMN

"More Love to Thee, O Christ"

#649

(We will sing stanzas 1 & 2 as we distribute the bread and stanzas 3 & 4 as we distribute the cup).

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DEPARTING

†BENEDICTION - *The Last Word*

God always has the last word in our worship, and for those who are in Christ Jesus these are always words of blessing. These words come from God, and not from the Pastor. As an expression of receiving this blessing we open our hands.

SINGING OF THE DOXOLOGY

Hymn #731

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THIS WEEK AT HLPC

Sunday 8:45 am Prayer
 9:15 am School of Discipleship
 10:30 am Worship Service
 6:00 pm Youth Group
Monday 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday 6:30 pm Youth & Adult MidWeek Studies
Thursday 9:15 am Women of the Word

Children's Ministry Volunteer Schedule

Teach Me to Worship Coordinator: Cathy Alvord

Nursery Coordinator: Jessica Fuqua

ROOM	February 25	March 3	March 10
School of Discipleship	Monica Kinnebrew Olivia Hood	Erika Acres Jan Fall	Cathy Alvord Charlotte Sawyer Natalie Sweat
Walkers & 2/3's	Sarah Shelton Angie Slagh	Christina & Shane Hall	Christina & Ryan Watson
Teach Me to Worship	Erik Fuqua Veronica Ng Raymond Ng	Cathy Alvord Grace Jerome Charlotte Sawyer	Stephanie & Rob Strasser

GREETERS: Kirby & Kelly Moore

Next week: Matthew & Mary Ross Bankson

SAFETY TEAM: Peter Martin

Next Week: Tony Bermudez

SOUND TEAM: Chuck Ezell, Joshua Strasser. Larry

Wadsworth

Next Week: David Carnes, Brooke Ezell, Dave Maddox

Women's Ministries

Women in the Church Coordinator: Monica Kinnebrew
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"Take Them a Meal" Coordinator: Rachel Wadsworth
ugagirl85@gmail.com

- Women of the Word Study, Wednesday, 6:30 pm
- Women of the Word Study, Thursday, 9:30-11 am
- Women of the Word Study, Thursday, 6:30-8 pm

Men's Ministries

Men's Ministries Coordinator: Erik Fuqua etfuqua@gmail.com

- Men's Breakfast 2nd Saturday
- Men's MidWeek Study (Wed.) 6:30pm
- Friday: 7:30 am Bible Study via Zoom. Contact Paul Bankson for information.

Prime Timers - Fellowship & Lunch Monthly

LIFE Groups (Call the church office for information)

Bankson	2 nd & 4 th Sunday	6:00 pm
Epperson	Every other Sunday	6:00 pm
Fuqua	One Sunday a month	12:00pm
Kinnebrew/Moore	2 nd Sunday	5:30 pm
Waters/Bermudez	One Sunday a month	12:00 pm
Rahn/Slagh	4 th Sunday	12:00 pm
Young Adults	First Saturday of the month	

HLPC ELDERS (Session)

Paul Bankson: Moderator

Michael Collins: Youth Ministry

Keith Duvall: Clerk of Session/ Administration

Kevin Epperson: Worship

Chuck Ezell: LIFE Groups

Erik Fuqua: Men's Ministry

Gregg Jerome: Youth Ministry

Todd Kinnebrew: Women in the Church/ Missions

Kenny Rahn: (Elder Emeritus) Shut-ins

Tieman Slagh: Children's Ministry

Sean Waters: Shepherding

HLPC DEACONS

Kirby Moore, *Chairman*

Dave Maddox

Tony Bermudez

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Roger Hill

Jed Jessup

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MISSIONS & MINISTRIES WE SUPPORT

- ◆ **Grace Bailey** - RUF intern, UGA
- ◆ **Marshall & Cathryn Brown** - Czech Republic
- ◆ **Bob & Andrea Burnham** - Odessa, Ukraine (MTW)
- ◆ **Jeff & Robyn Candell** - Church planting in British Columbia (MNA)
- ◆ **Covenant Care Services** - Christian Adoption Agency serving the State of Georgia.
- ◆ **John & Sarah Gordy**- RUF @ Valdosta State University
- ◆ **Tim & Anna Grider** - RUF @ Columbus State University
- ◆ **Marlin & Caroline Harris** -RUF @ Mercer University
- ◆ **Russell & Amanda Jeffares**- church planting in Ireland with Serge
- ◆ **Clay & Hannah Jones**- El Salvador (MTW)
- ◆ **Samaritan's Purse** - **Operation Christmas Child**
- ◆ **Mike & Eli Sabin** - Trans World Radio in Guam (MTW)
- ◆ **Seminario Reformado Latinoamericano (SRL)** - Reformed Seminary serving Latin America, Noe & Mimi Acosta
- ◆ **Harvey & Carol Spears** - in Orlando, FL with Cru
- ◆ **Strong Tower Fellowship** - Macon, GA
- ◆ **Trail Life Troop 4316**
- ◆ **Ben & Shanna Wright**- Wycliffe Bible Translators

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