



HOUSTON LAKE

Presbyterian Church

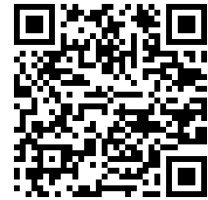
*Proclaiming and Living in the Light
of the Gospel of Jesus Christ*

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].

LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

APRIL 14, 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: Praise the LORD! Praise God in His sanctuary; praise Him in his mighty heavens!

People: **Praise Him for His mighty deeds; praise Him according to his excellent greatness! Praise Him with trumpet sound; praise Him with lute and harp!**

Minister: Praise Him with tambourine and dance; praise Him with strings and pipe! Praise Him with sounding cymbals; praise Him with loud clashing cymbals!

People: **Let everything that has breath praise the LORD! Praise the LORD! (Psalm 150)**

†PRAYER FOR GOD'S PRESENCE

†HYMN OF PRAISE

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" (Psalm 103)

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†CORPORATE CONFESSION OF OUR FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 1

Minister: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

People: **That I am not my own, but belong--body and soul--to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.**

Minister: What must you know to live and die in the joy of this comfort?

People: **Three things: first, how great my sin and misery are; second, how I am set free from all my sins and misery; third, how I am to thank God for such deliverance.**

MISSIONS MOMENT

We welcome **Russell Jeffares** who is here to update us on his family's ministry in Ireland. The Jeffares are supported prayerfully and financially by HLPC.

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.

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, (Ephesians 4:1-2)

SILENT CONFESSON OF SIN

HYMN OF CONFESSON & GRACE

“Jesus I Come”

1. Out of my bondage, sorrow and night,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into Thy freedom, gladness, and light
Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of my sickness, into Thy health,
Out of my wanting and into Thy wealth,
Out of my sin and into Thyself,
Jesus, I come to Thee.
2. Out of my shameful failure and loss.
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross,
Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm,
Out of life's storms and into Thy calm,
Out of distress into jubilant psalm,
Jesus, I come to Thee.

3. Out of unrest and arrogant pride,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into Thy blessed will to abide,
Jesus, I come to thee.
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love,
Out of despair into raptures above,
Upward forever on wings like a dove,
Jesus, I come to Thee.

4. Out of the fear and dread of the tomb,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into the joy and light of Thy home,
Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of the depths of ruin untold,
Into the peace of Thy sheltering fold,
Ever Thy glorious face to behold,
Jesus, I come to Thee.

†**WORDS OF GRACE**

Leader: Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.
(Ephesians 4:32)

People: **We are forgiven and declared righteous in the Father's sight by faith in the finished work of His Son, Jesus Christ! Praise be to God!**

†**GREETING ONE ANOTHER**

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

†**HYMN OF CELEBRATION**

"My Jesus, I Love Thee"

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SPECIAL MUSIC

“And Can It Be”

HLPC Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Ruling Elder Sean Waters

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 “Worship Training.”

HEARING GOD SPEAK

†**SCRIPTURE READING**

Exodus 17:8-16

p. 59

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: **Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE

Rev. Paul Bankson

Redeemed: Studies in Exodus

“The Lord Is My Banner”

MEETING GOD AT HIS TABLE

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

COMMUNION HYMN

“Amidst Us Our Beloved Stands ”

#427

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

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. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. (2 Corinthians 9:8)

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
 Wednesday 6:30 pm: MidWeek Adult & Youth Studies
 Thursday 9:15 am: Women's Prayer Gathering
 2:00 pm: Ken McBrearty Memorial Service
 6:00 pm: Women of the Word study
 Saturday 7:00 pm: Youth Tacky Prom

Children's Ministry Volunteer Schedule

Teach Me to Worship Coordinator: Cathy Alvord

Nursery Coordinator: Jessica Fuqua

ROOM	April 14	April 21	April 28
School of Discipleship	Kristin Epperson Bonnie Martin	Neysa Ezell Jessica Fuqua	Amy Booth Heather Collins
Walkers & 2/3's	Jennifer & Sean Waters	Monica Kinnebrew Angie Slagh	Christina & Shane Hall
Teach Me to Worship	Amy Booth Suzanne & Angelica Williams	Amy Booth Suzanne & Angelica Williams	April Jessup Laura & Georgia Carroll

GREETERS: John & Joanna Kotlarski

Next week: Scott & Sarah Shelton

SAFETY TEAM: Kirby Moore

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SOUND TEAM: Chuck Ezell, Larry Wadsworth

Next Week: Jed Jessup, Joshua Strasser

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: Adult School of Discipleship/ 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

Bob McCullough

Joe Weiss

Roger Hill

Jed Jessup

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Women in the Church Coordinator: Monica Kinnebrew
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"Take Them a Meal" Coordinator: Rachel Wadsworth
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- Women of the Word Study, Wednesday, 6:30 pm
- Women of the Word Study, Thursday am, 9:30-11
- Women of the Word Study, Thursday pm, 6:30-8 pm,

Men's Ministries

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

- Men's Breakfast 2nd Saturday each month
- Men's MidWeek Study (Wed.) 6:30pm Contact Paul Bankson for information
- Men's Thursday Study (Thursday) 8-10pm (HLPC firepit) Contact Zach Hood for information
- Bible Study Friday morning: 7:30 am via Zoom. Contact Paul Bankson for information.

Prime Timers - (55+ fellowship)

Prime Timers Coordinator: Mary Catherine Cutrell
maryccutrell@gmail.com

LIFE Groups (Call the church office for information)

Bankson	2 nd & 4 th Sunday	6:00 pm
Epperson	Every other Sunday	6:00 pm
Ezell/Martin	One Sunday a month	12:00 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
Young Adults	First Saturday of the month	

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
- ◆ **Matt & Emma Hegler** - Japan (MTW)
- ◆ **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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