



# 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-1<sup>st</sup> grade are welcome to go to “Teach Me to Worship” in the church Fellowship Hall.

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*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

NOVEMBER 2, 2025

† -indicates congregation is to stand

## GATHERING

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### 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: How lovely is your dwelling place,  
O LORD of hosts!

People: **My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the  
LORD; my heart and flesh sing for joy to  
the living God.**

Minister: Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a  
nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at  
your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King  
and my God.

People: **Blessed are those who dwell in your house, ever  
singing your praise!**  
(Psalm 84:1-4)

#### †PRAYER FOR GOD'S PRESENCE

## †HYMN OF PRAISE

“Praise the Lord our God”

#124

## †CORPORATE CONFESSION OF OUR FAITH

*The Nicene Creed*

Trinity Hymnal p.846

## REMEMBERING THE GOSPEL

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### 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.*

To you, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not deaf to me, lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those who go down to the pit. Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to you for help, when I lift up my hands toward your most holy sanctuary.  
(Psalm 28:1-2)

### SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

### HYMN OF CONFESSION AND GRACE

“In Christ Alone”

In Christ alone my hope is found;  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
this Cornerstone, this solid ground,  
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace  
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease;  
my Comforter, my All in All;  
here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone who took on flesh;  
fullness of God in helpless babe.  
This gift of love and righteousness  
scorned by the ones He came to save;  
'til on that cross as Jesus died  
the wrath of God was satisfied;  
for ev'ry sin on Him was laid;  
here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay;  
Light of the world by darkness slain.  
Then bursting forth in glorious day,  
up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory,  
sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
for I am His and He is mine,  
bought with the precious blood of Christ!

No guilt in life, no fear in death;  
this is the pow'r of Christ in me.  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man  
can ever pluck me from His hand;  
'til He returns or calls me home,  
here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

## †WORDS OF GRACE

Minister: Blessed be the LORD! For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy. (Psalm 28:6)

People: **We rejoice that the Lord delights to show us mercy through the work of His Son and applied to us by His Holy Spirit! 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

“I Will Sing of My Redeemer”

#650

## SPECIAL MUSIC

HLPC Singers: A Mighty Fortress

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Ruling Elder Erik Fuqua

**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 first grade who wish to attend “Teach Me to Worship” time are welcome to come to the front to pray with the Pastor.*

## **HEARING GOD SPEAK**

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†**SCRIPTURE READING**

James 4:1-12

p.1012

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: **Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON**

Rev. Zach Hood

“The Heart Behind Our Conflict”

## **MEETING GOD AT HIS TABLE**

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Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

## **COMMUNION HYMN**

“Jesus Lover of My Soul”

#508

*(We will sing stanza 1 as we distribute the bread and stanzas 2-3 as we distribute the cup)*

## **RESPONDING TO THE GOD OF GRACE**

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### **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.*

Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

*(2 Corinthians 9:7)*

## **DEPARTING**

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†**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

## SERMON NOTES:

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# MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

Nov  
4

**WIC Yarn &  
Cards**

6 PM in the Fellowship Hall

Nov  
15

**Technology &  
our Teens  
Seminar**

9-12 in the Fellowship Hall

Nov  
19

**Youth  
Friendsgiving**

6PM in the Youth Building

Nov  
21

**Men's Cookout**

6 PM at the Kirkpatrick's

Nov  
23

**Thanksgiving  
Service**

At Perry Presbyterian Church

## WEEKLY EVENTS

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	HLPC Youth
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>	Studies for all ages
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	Women's Study ( <b>on break until Nov 6</b> )
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>10:00AM</b>	Men's Study w Jim Clark @ Woodlands
<b>Friday</b>	<b>7:30 AM</b>	Men's Study via Zoom

For more info, email our office administrator Olivia at  
ohood@houstonlakepres.org OR fill out a connection card.

## Children's Ministry Volunteer Schedule

*Teach Me to Worship Coordinator: Cathy Alvord*

*Nursery Coordinators: Caitlin Shelton, Christina Hall*

<b>ROOM</b>	<b>November 2</b>	<b>November 9</b>	<b>November 16</b>
<b>School of Discipleship</b>	Amy Booth Kristin Epperson	Connie Bankson Erika Acres	Heather Collins Holly Kirkpatrick
<b>Walkers &amp; 2/3's</b>	Monica Kinnebrew Rebekah Griffis	Jessica Fuqua Jessica & Leah Bermudez	Jennifer Waters Lanier Pearson Adeline Pearson
<b>Teach Me to Worship</b>	Connie Bankson Leah Bermudez	Angelica Williams Suzanne Williams	Christina & Shane Hall

### Sunday Volunteer Schedule

**GREETERS:** Edith Norniella, Jeanette Bennett

*Next week: Ryan & Christina Watson*

**SAFETY TEAM:** Tony Bermudez

*Next Week: Peter Martin*

**SOUND TEAM:** Chuck Ezell, Dave Maddox

*Next Week: Dave Carnes, Josh Strasser*

**USHERS:** Cody Casey, Justin Bristol

*Next Week: Ben Blevins, Kody Morrison*

**MUSIC:** Sharon Phelps, Jed Jessup, Melody Howell, Ben Blevins, Cathy Alvord

*Next Week: Bonnie Martin, Jackson Griffith, Melody Howell, Jenny Ledger, Kristin Epperson*

## HLPC SESSION

Paul Bankson: Moderator

Michael Collins: Youth Ministry

Keith Duvall: Administration

Kevin Epperson: Worship

Chuck Ezell: LIFE Groups

Erik Fuqua: Clerk of Session/Men's Ministry

Zach Hood: Associate Pastor

Gregg Jerome: Youth Ministry

Todd Kinnebrew: Women in the Church/Missions

Tieman Slagh: Children's Ministry

## HLPC DIACONATE

Jed Jessup, *Chairman*

Dave Maddox

Cody Casey

Kirby Moore, *Emeritus*

Tony Bermudez

Shane Hall

Roger Hill

Ben Blevins

Daniel Martin

Joe Weiss

Gary Howell

Peter Martin

Will Booth

John Sweat

## HLPC STAFF

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## MISSIONS & MINISTRIES WE SUPPORT

- ◆ **Will Allan**- Salford (Manchester), UK; United Kingdom Partnership
- ◆ **Bob & Andrea Burnham** - Odessa, Ukraine (MTW)
- ◆ **Covenant Care Services** - Christian Adoption Agency serving the State of Georgia.
- ◆ **Nathan & Lea Gibbs**- church planting in US Military community in Germany
- ◆ **Gospel Reformation Network**- promoting health and vitality in the PCA
- ◆ **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
- ◆ **Nathanael & Anna Kristen Miller** - RUF @ Georgia Southern
- ◆ **Clay & Hannah Jones**- El Salvador
- ◆ **Samaritan's Purse - Operation Christmas Child**
- ◆ **Mike & Eli Sabin** - Trans World Radio Global (MTW)
- ◆ **Seminario Reformado Latinoamericano (SRL)** - Reformed Seminary serving Latin America, Noe & Mimi Acosta
- ◆ **Harvey & Carol Spears** - in Orlando, FL with Cru
- ◆ **Dan Terry**- Birmingham, UK; United Kingdom Partnership
- ◆ **Trail Life Troop 4316**
- ◆ **Ben & Shanna Wright**- Wycliffe Bible Translators

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