



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-1st grade are welcome to go to “Teach Me to Worship” in the church Fellowship Hall.

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LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

NOVEMBER 23, 2025

† -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

†**HYMN OF PRAISE**

“We Gather Together”

#363

†**CORPORATE CONFESSION OF OUR FAITH**

Westminster Catechism #20-22

Trinity Hymnal p.870

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Today we have the joy and privilege of applying the covenant sign of baptism to **Adeline Marie Shelton**, daughter of Grant and Caitlin Shelton.

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.

Do not remember against us our former iniquities; let your compassion come speedily to meet us, for we are brought very low. Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of your name; deliver us, and atone for our sins, for your name's sake!
(Psalm 79:8-9)

SILENT CONFESSON OF SIN

HYMN OF CONFESSON AND GRACE

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

#252

†WORDS OF GRACE

Minister: LORD, you were favorable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob. You forgave the iniquity of your people; you covered all their sin.
(Psalm 85:1-2)

People: **We rejoice in the good news that in Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven and that we have been sealed with the promised Holy Spirit.**

†GREETING ONE ANOTHER

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

†**HYMN OF CELEBRATION**

“Come, Ye Thankful People Come”

#715

SPECIAL MUSIC

HLPC Ensemble: “Praise the Lord”

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Ruling Elder Todd Kinnebrew

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

†**SCRIPTURE READING**

1 John 1:1-4

p.1021

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

Rev. Paul Bankson

*I John: That You May Know
"Complete Joy"*

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. Honor the LORD with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce; (Proverbs 3:9)

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

SERMON NOTES:

Tonight, please join with our fellow PCA churches here in Houston County for a joint Thanksgiving Service at 6PM at Perry Presbyterian Church.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

Nov
23

**Thanksgiving
Service**

At Perry Presbyterian Church
6PM | Reception to follow.
Childcare provided.

Nov
30

**First Sunday of
Advent**



Dec
2

**Prime Timers
Christmas
Lunchon**

12PM in the Fellowship Hall

Dec
7

**HLPC
Christmas
Concert**

At 6:30PM.
Reception to Follow

Dec
9

**HLPC WIC
Progressive
Dinner**

Starts at 5PM
More info on the bulletin boards!

WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday	6:00 PM	HLPC Youth
Thursday	9:30 AM	Women's Study Ends December 4
Thursday	10:00AM	Men's Study w Jim Clark @ Woodlands
Friday	7:30 AM	Men's Study via Zoom

For more info, email our office administrator Olivia at
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Children's Ministry Volunteer Schedule

Teach Me to Worship Coordinator: Cathy Alvord

Nursery Coordinators: Caitlin Shelton, Christina Hall

ROOM	November 23	November 30	December 7
School of Discipleship	Jenny Bryant Lyn Micko	Bonnie Martin Tish Roberts	Becca Bright Leah Robinson
Walkers & 2/3's	Rob & Stephanie Strasser Grant Shelton	Mary Ross Bankson Amanda Pradarits	Shane & Christina Hall Kristen Daniels
Teach Me to Worship	Christina & Shane Hall	Cathy Alvord Jake Barker	Jessica Bermudez Leah Bermudez

Sunday Volunteer Schedule

GREETERS: Evan & Erika Acres

Next week: Jenny Bryant, Katy Rahn

SAFETY TEAM: Roger Hill

Next Week: Jim Micko

SOUND TEAM: Tony Bermudez, Dave Maddox

Next Week: Cody Casey, Dave Maddox

USHERS: Daniel Martin, Justin Bristol

Next Week: John Sweat, Lee Ledger

MUSIC: Grant Waters, Adeline Pearson, Bonnie Martin, Jessica Bermudez, Scott Shelton

Next Week: Sharon Phelps, Elizabeth Weiss, Kevin Epperson, 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*

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Roger Hill

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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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