

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

FEBRUARY 8, 2026

MISSIONS WEEK

† -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: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.

People: **Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!**

Minister: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

People: **Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you! (Psalm 67:1-5)**

†PRAYER FOR GOD'S PRESENCE

†HYMN OF PRAISE

“From All That Dwell Below the Skies”

#7

†CORPORATE CONFESSION OF OUR FAITH

The Nicene Creed

Trinity Hymnal p.846

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.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash
me thoroughly from my iniquity, and
cleanse me from my sin! (Psalm 51:1-2)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

HYMN OF CONFESSION AND GRACE

“Wonderful, Merciful Savior”

Wonderful, merciful Savior
Precious Redeemer and Friend
Who would have thought that a Lamb
Could rescue the souls of men
Oh, You rescue the souls of men

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper
Spirit we long to embrace
You offer hope when our hearts have
Hopelessly lost our way
Oh, we've hopelessly lost the way
Chorus

You are the One that we praise
You are the One we adore
You give the healing and grace
Our hearts always hunger for
Oh, our hearts always hunger for

Almighty, infinite Father
Faithfully loving Your own
Here in our weakness You find us
Falling before Your throne
Oh, we're falling before Your throne
Chorus x2

†**WORDS OF GRACE**

Minister: There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. (Romans 8:1)

People: **The Lord Jesus Christ, through His perfect life, sacrificial death, and resurrection from the dead has secured our justification and our adoption as God's children. 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**

"We Have Heard the Joyful Sound"

#448

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Ruling Elder Chuck Ezell

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

Romans 16:1-16, 21-23 (p.950)

Minister: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Guy Waters

The Healthy Church: The Fellowship of the Church

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.

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

†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.

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. (Numbers 6:24-27)

†SINGING OF THE DOXOLOGY

Hymn #731

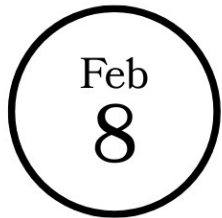
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We welcome the Rev. Dr. Guy Waters to the HLPC pulpit today. Dr. Waters is the James M. Baird, Jr. Professor of New Testament and Academic Dean at Reformed Theological Seminary in Jackson, MS. The author of numerous books, Dr. Waters received his B.A. from the University of Pennsylvania, his Masters of Divinity from Westminster Theological Seminary, and his PhD from Duke University.

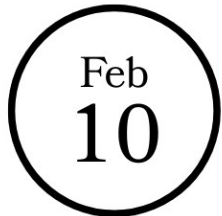
SERMON NOTES

MARK YOUR CALENDARS



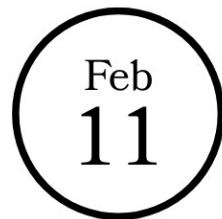
AWOL

Following our 10:30 service in the Fellowship Hall.



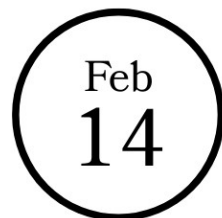
WIC Bunco & Cookie Swap

Bring 3 dozen cookies to swap!
7-9PM in the Fellowship Hall



Midweek Meals & Studies: Pizza

Sign up here!



Men's Breakfast

8AM in the Fellowship Hall



WEEKLY EVENTS

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| Sunday | 6:00 PM | HLPC Youth |
| Monday | 6:30 PM | HLPC Choir |
| Wednesday | 6:30 PM | Studies for ALL ages* |
| Thursday | 9:30 AM | Women's Study* |
| 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 ohood@houstonlakepres.org OR fill out a connection card.

*Childcare provided.

Children's Ministry Volunteer Schedule

Teach Me to Worship Coordinator: Cathy Alvord

Nursery Coordinator: Caitlin Shelton

| ROOM | February 8 | February 15 | February 22 |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| School of Discipleship | Tish Roberts Laura Duvall | Jenny Bryant Kristin Epperson | Monica Kinnebrew Mary Ross Bankson |
| Walkers & 2/3's | Leah Robinson Lanier Pearson | Amy Booth, Angie Slagh, Kristen Daniels | Grace Jeter, Jan Fall, Neysa Ezell |
| Teach Me to Worship | Cathy Alvord Grace Jerome | Jessica & Leah Bermudez | Erik Fuqua Laura Carroll |

Sunday Volunteer Schedule

GREETERS: Charlie & Rebekah Griffis

Next week: Jim & Lyn Micko

SAFETY TEAM: Tony Bermudez

Next Week: Scott Shelton

SOUND TEAM: Dave Carnes, Josh Strasser

Next Week: Chuck Ezell, Dave Maddox

USHERS: John Sweat

Next Week: Daniel Martin, Justin Bristol

MUSIC: Bonnie Martin, Jed Jessup, Melody Howell, Sharon Phelps, Ben Blevins

Next Week: Sharon Phelps, Jackson Griffith, Elizabeth Weiss, Cathy Alvord, Jessica Bermudez

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

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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**- PCA 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
- ◆ **Donny & Courtney Harwood**- Stirling, Scotland (MTW)
- ◆ **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
- ◆ **Trail Life Troop 4316**
- ◆ **Ben & Shanna Wright**- Wycliffe Bible Translators

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