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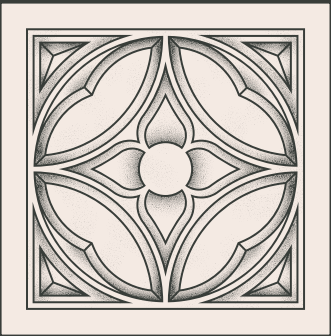
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John 11:25-26

Jesus said to her,

*“I am the resurrection and
the life. Whoever believes in Me,
though he die, yet shall he live,
and everyone who lives and
believes in Me shall never die.*

Do you believe this?”



2024-2025
PCPC WOMEN

Early Morning Bible Study: Wednesdays at 7:00 a.m.
Maymester: Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.
Taught by Neatice Warner

*With the Maymester Questionnaire
for the Maymester 2024-2025
Registration will be held
on the first day of the Maymester.*

DECLARATION

Faith & Work 101
Wednesdays, May 7-28, at 6:30 p.m.
Is the workplace the primary place God has sent you to extend His Kingdom?

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CONNECT, ABIDE, & EXTEND

60+ COMMUNITY VARIETY SHOW

FRIDAY, MAY 2 | 11:30 A.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Mayhem and merriment abound in this display of talents offered by our own 60+ community. Discover the unique gifts your friends possess as we wrap up the year together. Please make your reservation no later than noon Tuesday, April 29.

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SENIOR SUNDAY

SUNDAY, MAY 4 | 12:30 P.M. | GYM

Honor our graduating High School Seniors and celebrate the Lord's faithfulness in their lives! Registration required for each senior participant and their family.

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RENAISSANCE FEAST

FRIDAY, MAY 9 | 6:00 P.M. | COURTYARD & GRAND HALL

Journey back 500 years with feasting, dancing, period musicians, and costumed entertainers meant to remove the film of familiarity from your daily life and give you renewed vision for the things unseen. Renaissance attire is welcome but optional.

pcpcconcerts.org

FAITH & WORK 101

WEDNESDAYS, MAY 7-28 | 6:30 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Is the workplace the primary place God has sent you to extend His Kingdom? Join us on Wednesdays in May as we talk about the theology of work and how we, as a church, can better equip you as a missionary in your workplace. Dinner will be provided. Please register to attend.

pcpc.org/work-as-mission

ANXIETY & ASSURANCE

WEDNESDAYS, MAY 7-28 | 7:00 A.M. OR 10:00 A.M.

Every one of us knows about anxiety. The Bible honestly records, without minimizing, the experiences of God's people in stresses and fears. PCPC Women will spend 4 weeks examining God's transforming care, presence, and power in our lives. Join our Early Morning Bible Study at 7:00 a.m. in Adult Classroom 9 (Lower Level) or Maymester course at 10:00 a.m. in the Loft (Level Two).

pcpc.org/women

DISASTER RESPONSE TRAINING

FRIDAY, MAY 16–SUNDAY, MAY 18

Join these training opportunities by Mark Becker from MNA Disaster Response that will help equip you to serve when disaster strikes in our region.

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OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS

- FIRST FRIDAY/BEFRIEND | MAY 2
- PRESCHOOL EVENTS | MAY 2 & 16
- PROMOTION SUNDAY | MAY 18
- MEN'S SOLITUDE SATURDAY | MAY 24
- HIGH SCHOOL FLORIDA TRIP | MAY 24-30
- MOMMY & ME CO-OP DAY CAMP | MAY 27-29
- MIDDLE EAST MISSION TRIP | MAY 30–JUNE 7
- VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL | JUNE 3-6

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PARISHES AT PCPC

WHERE ARE THE PARISHES?

PCPC members are spread across the DFW area (and beyond), and we've identified 14 neighborhood parishes and 5 large regions where our people live. For each parish, Elders are putting together a team of Deacons and laypeople to connect with their PCPC neighbors in the area. If you're interested in joining an existing team in your parish or launching a team in a parish that doesn't have one, reach out to us at connect@pcpc.org.

Parish near PCPC:

Uptown / Oak Lawn

Parishes in the Park Cities:

PC Armstrong Elementary
PC Boone Elementary
PC Bradfield Elementary
PC Hyer Elementary
PC UP Elementary

Parishes in North Dallas:

Love Field
Northwest Dallas
Preston Hollow

Parishes East of 75:

Lake Highlands
Old East Dallas / Lakewood
East (Region)

Parishes North of 635:

Addison / Carrollton / Farmers Branch
Far North Dallas / Richardson
Far Northeast (Region)
Far Northwest (Region)

Parishes South of 30:

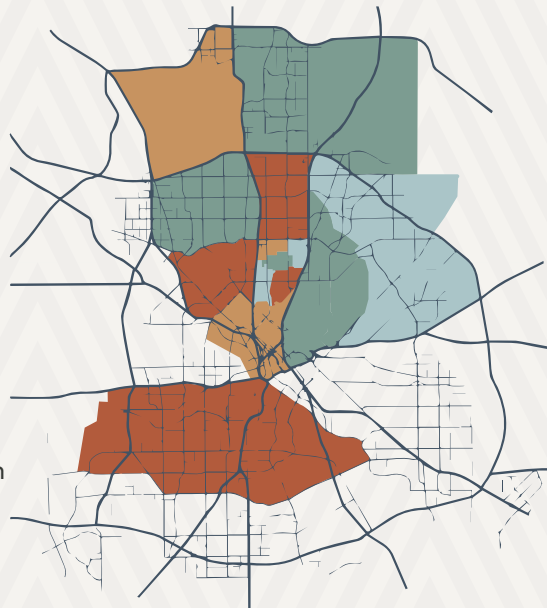
Oak Cliff
South (Region)

Parish West of I-35:

West (Region)

The Lord is at work in parish ministry. What do you want to see Him do in your neighborhood?

To learn more about parish ministry, scan the QR code and visit pcpc.org/parish/. Find details for your individual parish by clicking the online map. If you want to get more involved in your parish, email connect@pcpc.org.



GROWING AS A CHURCH FAMILY

by Robby Higginbottom, Pastor of Community

WHAT IS GOD DOING IN PARISHES?

When you think about Park Cities Presbyterian Church, what comes to mind? Is it our building? Is it a Pastor or a teacher? Is it a Bible study, Sunday Morning Community, or small group? Is it a priority like missions? When the Apostle Paul thinks about the Church, he often turns to metaphors like the body of Christ and the bride of Christ. But perhaps the most accessible picture of the Church is "the household of God" (Galatians 6:10; 1 Timothy 3:14-15). By His grace we are "no longer aliens and strangers," but "fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God" (Ephesians 2:19).



In this remarkable family, we have a perfect heavenly Father and a perfect older Brother in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Being the family of God highlights our primary identity as beloved children of God and the privilege of having fathers and mothers, brothers and sisters, and sons and daughters in the faith. Being the family of God reminds us that, like any family, every member matters, conflict happens, and we're called to love, forgive, and grow together. Being the family of God reframes corporate worship as a weekly family reunion. We gather to praise the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, to remember who we are, and to be nourished to live as the children of God throughout the week.



In any church family, Sunday morning is the highlight of our week. The Lord is with us in a powerful way as we gather together under His Word and Sacrament, but we also want to live in His presence when we're scattered the rest of the week. Parish ministry gives us the opportunity to connect to Christ and one another, to abide in Christ, and to extend Christ where He has called us to live most of our lives. With our church family scattered across 14 neighborhood parishes and 5 large regions, we have a great opportunity to love one another in such a way that we are salt and light all around the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex.

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In recent months, we've seen the Lord build up our church family around the city through parish dinners and prayer meetings. In October and February, we helped organize parish dinners in homes around the city. PCPC Members volunteered to host in their parish, and then members of that parish registered for and enjoyed dinner together. The feedback we've received has been so encouraging. Old friendships were rekindled, new friendships were formed, and brothers and sisters in Christ enjoyed good

food and sweet fellowship. In some cases, these dinners brought together three or four generations of believers to enjoy a meal, share their stories, and pray for one another. One member said, "It was a great introductory evening to what we believe will be a long-time friendship." In the past year, we've had around 70 parish dinners. Hundreds of people have gathered around a table and grown closer as brothers and sisters in Christ. Healthy families eat together, and we want to prioritize this simple, powerful practice in a world that's starving for real relationships.



At the end of March, we organized parish prayer meetings for the first time. We found hosts in fifteen parishes around the city, and we asked an Elder, Deacon, or Pastor to lead people through a prayer guide we created. As we received reports from the different gatherings, we rejoiced in the Lord. One woman said, "It was encouraging to see many people craving something like this...and asking to have it as a regular rhythm." One of the prayer leaders reported, "We met for over two hours, and the people didn't want to stop or leave!"



As the stories streamed in, we learned that over 200 of our members attended a prayer meeting that day. I loved imagining our church family, gathered in homes around the city, lifting their voices in concert to our heavenly Father. We prayed for one another, for our neighbors, for our church, and for the world. Healthy families pray together, and the Lord is teaching us to pray (Luke 11:1)!

Being the family of God reminds us that our fellowship starts now but stretches into eternity. If we are brothers and sisters in Christ, we'll spend eternity worshiping the Lord and loving one another. But we don't have to wait to experience the joy of living "in the household of God". Through parish ministry, we hope that more of our church family will enjoy a foretaste of the perfect fellowship that is to come!

To learn more about parish ministry, visit pcpc.org/parish/. Find your individual parish page by clicking the online map. Check back for details about upcoming parish dinners and prayer meetings. If you want to get more involved in your parish, email connect@pcpc.org.

