

# Welcome

September 3, 2017  
8:30 & 11:00 a.m.  
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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

## \*Statement of Mission and Faith

Leader: What is the mission of Pierce Chapel?

People: The mission of Pierce Chapel is to develop mature disciples who know, love, and serve Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

Leader: What do you believe?

People: I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic\* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## \*Hymn of Praise "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" No. 139

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!

All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near; join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee; surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee. Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, Who with His love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who doth nourish thy life and restore thee, fitting thee well for the tasks that are ever before thee. Then to thy need God as a mother doth speed, spreading the wings of grace o'er thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!

All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!

Let the amen sound from His people again; gladly forever adore Him.

Musical Word "Wash Their Feet" arr. Choplin

## Children's Sermon

(After the children's sermon, children age 3-kindergarten are invited to go to Children's Church across the hall in Room 315, and children in 1st-4th grades will remain in the adult worship service.)

Prayer

Financial Peace University Highlight

## \*Greeting

## \*Hymn of Praise "O How I Love Jesus" No. 170

There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth;  
it sounds like music in my ear, the sweetest name on earth.

Refrain: O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus,  
O how I love Jesus, because he first loved me!

It tells me of a Savior's love, who died to set me free;  
it tells me of his precious blood, the sinner's perfect plea. (Refrain)

It tells of one whose loving heart can feel my deepest woe;  
who in each sorrow bears a part that none can bear below. (Refrain)

## \*Prayer for the Offering (8:30) Sara Bankhead (11:00) Bruce Davis Receiving the Offering

Written Word Matthew 5:21-48

Spoken Word

## Service of Holy Communion

(Offerings left on the communion rail today will go to UMCOR to assist victims of Hurricane Harvey.)

(Children 1st grade and up will remain in the service today for Holy Communion. It is up to you and your child whether you would like for them to participate in Communion with you, but please know that it is our practice to invite everyone to participate, regardless of age or depth of understanding.)

## \*Song of Commitment "O How He Loves You & Me" No. 2108

O how he loves you and me! O how he loves you and me!

He gave his life. What more could he give? O how he loves you;

O how he loves me; O how he loves you and me!

Jesus to Cal'ry did go; His love for sinners to show.

What he did there brought hope from despair. O how he loves you;

O how he loves me; O how he loves you and me!

## \*Benediction

\*Please stand as you are able.

## CONNECTION CARD

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Names of other family members (include grades for children or youth): \_\_\_\_\_

Service attending:  8:30 a.m.  11:00 a.m.

Check all that apply:  I *shime* guest  Returning guest

I *shime* filling out this card  Update contact info

How did you hear about Pierce Chapel? \_\_\_\_\_

DECISION CARD

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

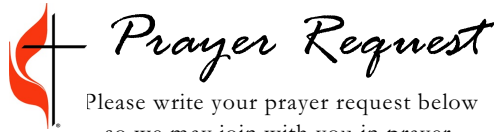
I would like to:

- Receive Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior.
- Recommit my life to Jesus Christ.
- Talk with the pastor.
- Be baptized.
- Become a member of Pierce Chapel.

Questions and/or comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please write your prayer request below so we may join with you in prayer.

Please pray for \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Requested by \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to be informed when prayers are lifted up? Yes / No

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Please place completed form in the offering plate today or in the locked box at the Welcome Center. Your request will be communicated promptly to our 15-member Prayer Team.

OUR STEWARDSHIP FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 27, 2017

September 3, 2017

Attendance Sunday School: 236 Sunday Night:  
 8:30 Worship: 180 Youth: 52 + 6 adults + 3 supper helpers  
 11:00 Worship: 250 Tweenager: 11 + 2 adults  
 Total in both services: 430

Offering Generously Given \$11,514.88  
 Generously Given to Date \$525,651.43  
 Budgeted to Date for Ministry \$543,572.31  
 Faith Promise (Mission Offering) Generously Given to Date \$36,535.84 \$1,150.00  
 Our House Methodist Children's Home (Sunday School Offering) \$111.81  
 Building by Faith \$1,395.00  
 Building by Faith Loan Principal \$1,020,263.60 Targeted Monthly Payment \$13,527.00  
 Building by Faith Month-to-Date Generously Given \$8,857.00  
 Building by Faith Month-to-Date Shortage/Overage (\$4,670.00)  
 Gifts were given to Building by Faith:  
 — in honor of Rick & Judy Dorer's 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary by Marcia English.  
 — in memory of Amy Patton by Roger & Peggy Loney.



Thank you for worshiping with us at Pierce Chapel today. We hope you'll be encouraged and inspired by your experience here. If this is your first time at Pierce Chapel, please take one of the colored bags found at the Welcome Center. It's our little gift to you! Again, thank you for being here today. May God bless you.

The flowers in the Worship Center are given by Kathy Cobb in memory of Judy Cobb for her birthday on September 1.

Hearing assistance devices are available in the audio-visual booth at the back of the worship center.

A "cry room" with closed-circuit TV capability (Room 305) is available across the hall for parents of infants and toddlers who wish to keep their children with them for the service but feel more comfortable in a more child-friendly environment.

PIERCE CHAPEL STAFF

Rev. Howard G. White	Pastor
Rev. Lynn Meadows-White	Minister of Discipleship
Nathan Carr	Director of Youth Ministries
Roseanna Harbuck	Children's Ministry Coordinator
Donna Pounds	Service Accompanist/Choir Director
Debi Van Noy	Preschool Director
Katie Ingram	Church Secretary
Dawn Krueger	Financial Secretary
Jessica Stanley	Youth Ministry Assistant
Justin Daniel	Tweenager Intern
Katie Ingram	Nursery Director/Caregiver
Kiddy Seifu	Nursery Caregiver
Lisa Courtney	Custodian
Steven McKenzie	Set-Up Custodian
Jarod Ingram	Security

Church Office 706-327-9807 Fax 706-327-7253 Preschool 706-327-9807, ext. 6  
 E-Mail Prayer Ministry: Send prayer requests to prayers@piercechapel.com





## NEW Small Group Opportunity for Young Adults!

Sponsored by PC3

(Pierce Chapel's College & Career Ministry)

**Starting Tuesday, September 5, 6:00-7:30 p.m.**  
(BYOD – Bring your own dinner!)

Meets 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at the home of Emily Fitts & Elizabeth White  
7461 Blackmon Road, in Greystone Reserve

Led by **Kimberlee Arnold Brown & Allison Williams**

Questions? Need apt. # & directions? Text Allison (706-329-5559).

## Come help us share “The Coming of the KING”!

**Christmas Cantata Choir Kick-Off**

**Wednesday, September 6, 7:00-8:30 p.m.**

In the Worship Center (*childcare provided*)

Please bring your favorite holiday/party food to share. For questions or to reserve your childcare slot(s), please call/text Donna Pounds at 706-326-3005.



**JOIN US for a Church-Wide Family Supper & Youth Fundraiser**  
**Wednesday, September 13**  
**5:30-7:00 p.m. in the Worship Center**

**Doors open at 5:30 &**

**table service is provided ‘til 6:15**

*Tip jars on the table will allow you to give extra blessings to your youth servers!*

*Head Chef: Susan Wooldridge*

**Menu:** Delicious Ranch Chicken, Rice, Green Beans, Salad, & Chocolate Delight Dessert

**Kids' Menu:** Choice of above menu or Chicken Nuggets & French Fries

Reservations/cancellations due by **12:00 noon on Monday, September 11.**

To make or cancel reservations, use this form or contact Katie Ingram  
(katie@piercechapel.com or 706-327-9807, ext. 1).

First & last names of all those coming with you for supper: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ # adults and youth (age 13 & up)

\_\_\_\_\_ # age 5-12 for ranch chicken

\_\_\_\_\_ # age 5-12 for nuggets

\_\_\_\_\_ # age 4 & under for ranch chicken

\_\_\_\_\_ # age 4 & under for nuggets

**Cost:** \$7 adults & youth    \$3.50 age 5-12    No charge age 4 & under

Family Maximum \$21.00 [parent(s) & children still living at home]

(Childcare is available for kindergarten & younger.)

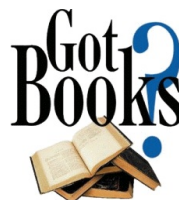


## Responding to the Tragedy of Hurricane Harvey

**“Flood Bucket Sunday” on September 10**

Pick up a list of items (in the hallway) needed for each bucket, bring those items next Sunday, and we'll pack them in the buckets following the 11:00 service. You may take an empty bucket with you today or not — doesn't matter — but we will pack everything in the buckets next week and then put lids on them. (If you use

your own bucket, please do not seal the lid.) Thank you for helping to flood Texas with LOVE in tangible form.

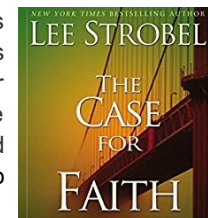


## Clear out your old books and DVDs

Donations of gently used books & DVDs (no CDs please) are requested for our “Media for Missions” booth at Market Day. 100% of the proceeds from this booth will help fund future Global Impact Celebrations. Bring book donations to the marked box near the Welcome Center.

## “If God is love, then what about all the suffering in our world?”

Many people grapple with serious concerns about faith in God. As in a court of law, they want to shout, “Objection!” They say, “If Jesus is the door to heaven, then what about the millions who have never heard of him?” Or, “If God cares for everyone, then why does he eternally torture some in hell?” In *The Case for Faith*, legally trained investigative reporter Lee Strobel turns his investigative skills to those objections--the eight “heart” barriers to faith.



*The Case for Faith* is for those who are faced with intellectual barriers standing squarely in their path to Jesus. For Christians, it will deepen their convictions and give them fresh confidence in discussing Christianity with even their most skeptical friends. Join our men's Bible study beginning Sunday, September 17. We will meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of each month, 6:00-7:15 p.m. in room 215.

## Last Opportunity for Safe Sanctuaries Training

**(For all those working with children & youth in any capacity)**

We are offering one last opportunity to get Safe Sanctuaries Training. This is mandatory and required training for working with our youth and children in ANY capacity! The training date is **Sunday, September 10, 12:15-1:00 p.m.**, in the youth barn. If you are working with children or youth and have not been trained this year, please make arrangements to join us on this date. For more information, contact Nathan Carr (706-464-7548 or nathan@piercechapel.com).

**Copies of this week's calendar are available on the credenzas in the hallway.**

# Our Calendar for the week

Sunday, September 3

No afternoon or evening activities – Have a safe and happy Labor Day!

Monday, September 4

Labor Day: Church Office and Preschool closed

Tuesday, September 5

9:00-10:30 AM

Senior Exercise in Youth Barn

6:30-8:00 PM

Cub Scouts throughout church

6:30-8:00 PM

Boy Scouts in Youth Barn

7:00 PM

Tabitha's Heart in home of Tina Armistead

Wednesday, September 6

4:15-4:45 PM

Chapel Chimes (5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> grades) in Room 108

4:50-5:25 PM

Youth Handbells (8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades) in Room 108

5:30-6:30 PM

Youth (7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades) Meeting in Youth Barn

6:30-7:30 PM

Youth (7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades) Ultimate Frisbee

7:00-8:30 PM

Christmas Cantata Choir Kick-off in Worship Center

Thursday, September 7

9:00-10:30 AM

Senior Exercise in Youth Barn

11:30 PM

Happy Achers sack lunch & games in Hospitality Room

6:00-9:00 PM

K.I.L.T. (Knights in Leadership Training) in Youth Barn

6:30-8:00 PM

N.A.M.I. National Alliance on Mental Illness in Room 216

6:30-8:00 PM

Financial Peace University in Worship Center

Saturday, September 9

9:00-10:30 AM

Senior Exercise in Hospitality Room

\*Indicates loving childcare provided for infant to 36 months.