LIFE of the CHURCH

HAPPENING TODAY

STM INFO SESSIONS

10:00 AM 6th Flr Conf Rm, Bldg 2 12:30 PM Granary Rm, Bldg 3 5:30 PM Granary Rm, Bldg 3 Come learn about the nine trips being offered this year, both local and abroad.

COLLEGE CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

12:30 PM. College students are invited to a festive Christmas luncheon at the [omitted in web verson]. Meet at the front desk after the 11:00 AM service.

NEWCOMER CONNECTION

5:30 PM, Library. Learn more about how to connect at Park Street Church.

LESSONS ಆ CAROLS

7:00 PM. A liturgical service retelling the story of humanity's fall and redemption, and the birth of the Messiah. Music by the Park Street Orchestra and the Sanctuary Choir.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES



SUN DEC 24. Join us for regular morning worship at 11:00 AM. The 3:00 PM Christmas Eve service is especially designed with families with young children and includes a live nativity and a tree to decorate with donated mittens. Services at 5:00 and 7:00 PM are traditional with carols and lights.

the www.parkstreet.org/christmaseve.

REDEEMING CAPITALISM CLASS

Dr. Ken Barnes of Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary will be teaching a new, three weekend class on *Understanding Capitalism through Biblical Lenses* at Park Street Church. JAN 26/27, MAR 23/24, and MAY 4/5. For more information:

 \blacksquare gdemosthene@gordonconwell.edu.

40+ SINGLES CHRISTMAS PARTY

Park Street Church Christmas Party hosted by 40s and Up small group. Come eat, drink and be merry with old and new friends on DEC 20 at 6:30 PM at the Omni Parker House. Please RSVP by DEC 18 to

■ Desdemonia2000@gmail.com.

MEMBERSHIP CLASS

Make Park Street Church your spiritual home! Join Park Street Church through a small group membership class, SUNDAYS, 9:30–10:45 AM, JAN 14-FEB 25 (joining MAR 18). Pre-registration required.

† parkstreet.org/membership

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PERPSECTIVES MISSIONS COURSE Wednesdays starting IAN 24 6:00-

Wednesdays starting JAN 24, 6:00 – 9:00 PM. Learn about missions firsthand in this extraordinary 15 week course (ends MAY 23) called Perspectives on the World Christian Movement. You will have 15 instructors with a breadth of global experience. First two classes are free! → www.perspectives.org. Contact missions parkstreet.org for more information.

Find more events at 'the www.parkstreet.org/events.

Sign up for ministry e-newsletters at 'the www.parkstreet.org/enews.

Find a small group at 'the www.parkstreet.org/smallgroups.

MISSIONS PLEDGES



We want you to participate with us in taking the Gospel to the ends of the earth! Please pledge to join us in God's work through giving, praying, learning, serving, or going yourself. Place your 2018 pledge in the offering plate or visit us at "0 www.parkstreet.org/missionspledge. We will continue to receive pledges for the next several weeks.

Actual (as of Dec 3)
131 Pledges | \$594K

GIVING

"But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand." 1 CHRON 29:14

OFFERING through December 3

Ministry ੳ Operations

Missions
BUDGET TO DATE: \$2,669K

GIVING: \$1,548K

GIVING: \$1,205K

You can give online at www.parkstreet.org/give, through the ACS Church Life app.

Text to give! Text 617.925.6604 with the amount you'd like to give (include "\$" sign, for example, "\$25"). After a one-time registration process you will be able to give by texting automatically.

FAMILIES & CHILDREN

Look for the Family Ministries tree in the Welcome Center for information on today's class times and locations. While children are always welcome in our Sanctuary, the service is also streamed to the Welcome Center downstairs and to a quiet room available to nursing mothers. Please ask an Usher for directions!

OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Please get in touch!

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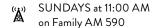
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MEDIA



SUNDAYS, 8:30 & 11:00 AM, & 4:00 PM: か parkstreet.org

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DECEMBER 10, 2017
The Second Sunday in Advent
www.parkstreet.org

Dr. Phil Thorne
Interim Senior Minister



LOVE

FIRST TIME HERE?

We're so glad you came! Please introduce yourself to a minister, elder or church member wearing a nametag. Visit the (i) info wall in the Welcome Center for a welcome packet after the service and fill out a su "contact me" card found in the pew and drop it in the offering plate. We will be in touch soon!

MORNING **WORSHIP**

8:30 & 11:00 am

PRELUDE

INTROIT For Unto Us a Child is Born arr. Mary Rose Jensen Children's Choir

CANDLE OF LOVE

CALL TO WORSHIP from 1 John 4

the Lindemann Family 8:30 AM the Montgomery Family 11:00 AM

Nathan Skinner, organ

Dear Friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. People: Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.

This is how God shows his love among us: he sent his one and only son into the world

that we might live through him

People: This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his son

as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. All: Let us worship the God of Love!

* HYMN NO. 324

Christ is Comina!

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* INVOCATION, CONFESSION ਿਊ LORD'S PRAYER

Martha Neu, Elder 8:30 AM Simon Chang, Elder 11:00 AM

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 coming day's bread;

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;

And lead us not into trial, but deliver us from the Evil One.

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

* PEACE

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Baptism Administered by Adam Herndon, Minister to Families 11:00 AM

Micah Andrew Buys son of Todd and Kari

ANTHEM

There Shall a Star, from Christus

F. Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

Sanctuary Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 2:1-12

* GLORIA PATRI (Hymn No. 734)

Children are dismissed to Children's Choir (8:50 AM) and Children's Church.

SERMON "Magi from the East"

Kris Perkins, Associate Minister

* HYMN NO. 206 Brightest and Best of the Sons of the Morning

Tim Leary, Dir of Grad Student Ministries

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY Oh Thou that Tellest Good Tidings to Zion, from Messiah Marana Avant, mezzo soprano; Daniel Faris, violin

G. F. Handel (1685 - 1759)

Morning Star

* DOXOLOGY (Hymn No. 731)

* HYMN NO. 198 Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates! Truro

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Nathan Skinner, organ

INTROIT

For Unto Us a Child is Born Words: Isaiah 9:6 Music: arr. Mary R. Jensen from Handel's Messiah

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given. And the government shall be upon his shoulder And his name shall be called Wonderful counselor, The Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.

ANTHEM

There Shall a Star, from Christus Words: Numbers 24:17 & P. Nicolai Music: F. Mendelssohn (1809–1847) including a 1597 chorale of P. Nicolai

There shall a star come out of Jacob, and a scepter shall rise out of Israel, with might destroying princes and cities.

As bright the star of morning gleams, So Jesus sheddeth glorious beams of light and consolation. Thy Word, O Lordradiance darting, truth imparting gives salvation. Thine be praise and adoration.

OFFERTORY

O Thou that Tellest Good Tidings to Zion, from Messiah Words: Isaiah 7:14; 40:9; 60:1 Music: G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

Behold! a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Emmanuel: God with us.

O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion, get thee up into the high mountain.

O thou that tellest good tidings to Jerusalem, lift up thy voice with strength, lift it up, be not afraid, say unto the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!"

O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion, arise, shine, for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

EVENING WORSHIP 4:00 pm

CANDLE OF LOVE CALL TO WORSHIP from 1 John 4 the Sloat Family

Liaht of the World Here I Am to Worship Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

ADORATION, CONFESSION 양LORD'S PRAYER David Rix, Elder

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 2:1-12 Brian Ellis (Ages 3-12 dismissed for Sunday Night Choir)

"MAGI FROM THE EAST" Kris Perkins, Associate Minister

We Three Kings

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Damian L., PSC Missionary

OFFERTORY

Angels We Have Heard on High Sunday Night Children's Choir

Love Comes Down

BENEDICTION

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

9:45-10:45 AM; thru DEC 10

Bible Study for Internationals

Int'l Bible Study Team | Park Street Room Study the Bible with other internationals. Be inspired and transformed by the Word of God. All internationals welcomed, including families with kids in children's programs.

God's People in Exile පි Their Return to the Land

Perry & Elaine Phillips | Granary Room This term we will consider the radical changes God's people faced in the cosmopolitan culture of Babylon and later Persia. For the minority who did return to Judah, the challenges of being a persecuted minority were equally daunting. In both cases, the lessons for us are powerful.

Genesis

Mary Harvey, Norm Graf | Common Room Genesis narrates incredible stories involving God at work in the lives of his people. Moses's first book seeks to educate God's people concerning foundational ideas and beliefs that were vital for God's people to know and remember. Through these stories, Moses presents profound truths of God's character, promises, presence, and his covenant with his people that can vitally affect our faith today. Come explore these with us.

PRAYER & PRAISE

[omitted in web version]

Anonymous family who is seeking justice and peace after a decade of financial and emotional abuse

The 11 members of the PSC search committee as they sort through resumes and sermons.

Join church leaders in Zimbabwe who have called for prayer for a peaceful government transition after President Robert Mugabe was placed under house arrest by

A covert indigenous Christian clinic in an undisclosed city in Syria whose ministry has generated dozens of new house churches to support hundreds of new believers.

Mr. Majhi, Karketta, Ba, Majhi and Miss Kumari, who were beaten and arrested in Hyderabad, India for "promoting enmity between classes" after they prayed for a sick woman. Each faces 3 years in prison.

The U. S. Supreme Court as they assess oral arguments in the case of Masterpiece Cakeshop v. Colorado Civil Rights Commission.

Samaritan's Purse as they seek to expand efforts in Bangladesh to bring medical help and Good News to the Rohingya Muslim refugees who are fleeing ethnic cleansing in Myanmar.

If you would like to find out more about becoming a Christian, or if you desire prayer for any reason, come to the front right of the sanctuary following the service and we'd be happy to pray for you.