

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} Service of Worship \\ Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, September 19, 2021 \\ \end{tabular}$

Instructions in this service booklet are indicated by the traditional symbol ¶, called a "pilcrow." The postures for prayer include kneeling, reflecting the many biblical invitations to kneel before God and even to fall upon our faces in his presence. Where hymns are listed, the name of the tune appears right-flush in small caps. Scripture lessons are taken from the English Standard Version.

THE PRELUDE

¶ Music is played upon the organ or by the musicians, preparing us in body and mind to enter into the Lord's worship.

Allegro, from Sonata in A major

G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

INTROIT

(11 am)

A Cosmic Prayer

O God of the heavens and the earth, of the astronomical and the subatomic, of the living and the dead, of science and history, of life and love. We give you thanks for the miraculous variety of your creation. We pray for the energy and time and patience and talent to learn more about the world you have made, And for the humility always to recognize how little we know. *Amen*.

Words: Howard Georgi (b. 1947) Reprinted by permission.

Music: Carson P. Cooman (b. 1982)

¶ At the conclusion of the Introit, the People stand.

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 33

- Leader Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous; it is fitting for the just to be thankful.
- People By the word of the LORD were the heavens made, and all the hosts of them by the breath of his mouth.
- Leader O Praise the LORD with the harp; sing praises unto him with the ten-stringed lute.
- People O Let all the earth fear the LORD; stand in awe of him, all you that dwell in the world.
- Leader O Sing unto him a new song; make skillful melody and cry aloud with joy.
- People For he spoke, and it was done; he commanded and it stood fast.

HYMN

Nº 115 All Creatures of Our God and King

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

INVOCATION, CONFESSION OF SIN, & THE LORD'S PRAYER

¶ Led by the Elder

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,

for ever. Amen.

THE PEACE

Leader The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with your spirit.

¶ Greet one another in the peace of Christ, remaining mindful of those who prefer to refrain from handshaking or prefer to maintain physical distance. Following the Peace, the People sit.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH & ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANTHEM

(11 am)

Chorus, from Lobgesang (Hymn of Praise)

I waited for the Lord, he inclined unto me, he heard my complaint. O blest are they that hope and trust in him.

Words: from Psalm 40

Music: Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

THE FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 33:14-26

pew Bible p. 662

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

HYMN

¶ The People stand. A Minister prays for the children, who are dismissed to Children's Church.

Nº 539 Jerusalem the Golden

EWING

¶ The People sit.

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 1:1-7

pew Bible p. 939

Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, ² which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy Scriptures, ³ concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh ⁴ and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, ⁵ through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith for the sake of his name among all the nations, ⁶ including you who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, ⁷ To all those in Rome who are loved by God and called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE GLORIA PATRI

¶ The People stand. (Hymn № 734)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

¶ Following the prayer, the People sit.

SERMON

The Faithful God of the Gospel

Mark Booker

HYMN

¶ The People stand.

Nº 32 Great is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

TESTIMONY

THE PRAYERS

¶ The People kneel or sit. A Minister leads the People in prayer for the world, the church, the sick, and the suffering.

OFFERTORY

¶ The People sit. The offering plates are passed. Music is offered to the Lord.

Aria from the oratorio Judith

Now once again will I tell to you the old familiar story, so, when I pass away, ye too may tell unto your children the lovingkindness of our God.

Long since in Egypt's plenteous land our fathers were oppressed; but God, whose chosen folk they were, smote those who long enslaved them there, and all their woes redressed.

The Red Sea stayed them not at all, nor depths of liquid green; on either hand a mighty wall of waters clear rose at his call, and they passed through between.

In deserts wild they wandered long, they sinned and went astray; but yet his arm to help was strong, he pardoned them though they did wrong, and brought them on their way.

At last to this good land they came, with fruitful plenty blest; here glorious men won endless fame, here God made holy Zion's name, and here he gave them rest.

Oh, may we ne'er forget what he hath done, nor prove unmindful of his love, that, like the constant sun, on Israel hath shone, and sent down blessings from above.

Words & Music: C. H. H. Parry (1848-1918)

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

¶ The People stand and sing as the offerings are brought forward by the ushers. A Minister then presents them to the Lord in prayer.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

HYMN

Nº 94 How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE

¶ The People sit or may leave quietly as a joyous work is played upon the organ. Please be respectful of those listening to the postlude in the sanctuary or via the livestream.

Marche Romaine (by request)

Charles Gounod (1818-1893)

SERVICE LEADERS AND PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, Senior Minister
Nathan Skinner, Director of Music

Assisting Ministers 8:30 Tammy McLeod, Director of College Student Ministries

11:00 Tim Leary, Director of Graduate Student Ministries

Elders 8:30 Nick Dedeke

11:00 Leslie Liu

Lay Readers 8:30 James Kim (Professor of Education, Harvard University)

Alex Ichimura (Northeastern University)

II:00 Linda Zhong-Johnson (MIT)

Kai-Ting Hu (Boston University)

Prayer Jimena Unzueta Saavedra (Northeastern University)

Testimony Joel Lau (Boston University)

Ruth Kause (Boston University)

Musicians Sanctuary Choir; Daniel Schmunk, Director of Choral Music

Jennifer Schmunk & Lizabeth Malanga, sopranos

Marana Avant, mezzo-soprano

Brian Urra, violin (Berklee College of Music)

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