

Service of Worship Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, November 21, 2021

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.

INTROIT (11 am)

A Carol of Thanksgiving

Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home: All is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin; God, our Maker, doth provide for our wants to be supplied: Come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.

Words: Henry Alford (1810-1871) | Music: Lloyd Pfautsch (1921-2003)

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

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 106

Leader	O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious,	
	and his mercy endures for ever.	
People	Remember me, O Lord,	
	according to the favor that you show to your people;	
	O visit me with your salvation.	
Leader	We have sinned like our fathers; we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.	
	Our fathers disregarded your wonders in Egypt	
	and rebelled by the Red Sea,	
	yet he saved them for his Name's sake,	
	that he might make his power known.	

PeopleDeliver us, O LORD our God, and gather us from among the nations;that we may give thanks to your holy Name and glory in your praise.

HYMN

№ 98 Now Thank We All Our God

Nun Danket alle Gott

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)

Above all praise and all majesty, Lord thou reignest evermore, for evermore. *Hallelujah*.

Words: based on Nehemiah 9:5 | Music: Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

THE FIRST LESSON

Deuteronomy 4:32-40

pew Bible p. 149

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

HYMN

¶ A Minister prays for the Children. The People stand; Children are dismissed to Children's Church during the hymn.



Words: 1712 | Joseph Addison (1672-1719) Music: Contemplation | Frederick A. G. Ouseley (1825-1889)

the glorious theme renew.

to utter all thy praise!

¶ The People sit.

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 1:1-17

The Word of the Lord. Reader

Thanks be to God. People

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 Power of the Gospel

Mark Booker

HYMN

¶ The People stand.

Nº 570 Faith of Our Fathers

¶ The People sit.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11 am only; 8:30 service continues on p. 9)

The Exhortation

Scripture teaches that we were all dead in our sins and trespasses, but by grace we may be saved through faith. Our Savior Jesus Christ said, "Unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God"; and he commissioned the Church to "make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." Here we ask our heavenly Father that this Candidate, being baptized with water, may be filled with the Holy Spirit, born again, and received into the Church as a living member of Christ's body. Therefore, I urge you to call upon God the Father, through our Lord Jesus Christ, that of his abundant mercy he will grant to this Candidate that which by nature he cannot have.

ST. CATHERINE

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The Presentation of Candidates

Leader The parents will now present the candidate for baptism.*Parents* We are *(names)*. We present *(name)* to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Examination of Parents

Today, on behalf of this child, you shall make vows to renounce the devil and all his works, to trust God wholeheartedly, and to serve him faithfully. It is your task to see that this child is taught, as soon as he is able to learn, the meaning of all these vows, and of the Faith that you will profess as revealed in the Holy Scriptures. He must come to put his faith in Jesus Christ, and learn the Creeds, the Lord's Prayer, the Ten Commandments, and all other things that a Christian ought to know, believe, and do for the welfare of his soul.

Are you willing and ready to undertake this?

Parents I am, with the Lord's help.

Profession of the One Faith

Question Do you renounce the devil and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the empty promises and deadly deceits of this world that corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the sinful desires of the flesh that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

 \P The Leader invites God's blessing on the candidate, saying

Almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness and evil, and lead you into the light and obedience of the kingdom of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

- *Question* Do you turn to Jesus Christ and confess him as your Lord and Savior?
- Answer I do.
- *Question* Do you joyfully receive the Christian Faith, as revealed in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments?
- Answer I do.
- *Question* Will you obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in them all the days of your life?
- Answer I will, with the Lord's help.
- ¶ The People stand

Leader	Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to		
	support this person in his life in Christ?		

People We will.

¶ The Leader then says

Let us join with this Candidate to proclaim our faith in the words of the ancient baptismal confession, the Apostles' Creed.

Leader	Do you believe and trust in God the Father?	
People	I do. I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.	
Leader	Do you believe and trust in Jesus Christ?	
People	I do. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit	
	and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell.	
	On the third day he rose again.	
	He ascended into heaven,	
	and is seated at the right hand of the Father.	
	He will come again to judge the living and the dead.	

Leader Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

People I do. 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.

Prayer for the Candidate

Almighty and everlasting Father, in your great mercy you saved Noah and his family in the Ark from the destruction of the flood, prefiguring the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Look mercifully upon this your servant. Wash and sanctify him through your Holy Spirit, that he may be delivered from destruction and received into the Ark of Christ's Church; and being steadfast in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in love, he may pass through the turbulent floods of this troublesome world and come into the land of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John in the River Jordan when the Holy Spirit descended upon him as a dove.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

¶ The People sit

The Baptism

_____, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

_____, do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, to fight bravely under his banner against the world, the flesh, and the devil, and to continue as his faithful soldier and servant to the end of your days. **Amen.**

THE PRAYERS

¶ After the candidate has been baptized, the People may kneel, and the Minister leads them in prayer.

OFFERTORY

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

Call Jehovah Your Salvation

Call Jehovah your salvation, rest beneath the Almighty's shade; In his secret habitation dwell, and never be dismayed: There no tumult shall alarm you, you shall dread no hidden snare: Guile nor violence can harm you, in eternal safeguard there.

From the sword at noon-day wasting, from the noisome pestilence, In the depth of midnight blasting, God shall be your sure defense: He shall charge his angel legions watch and ward o'er you to keep; Though you walk through hostile regions, though in desert wilds you sleep.

Since, with pure and firm affection you on God have set your love, With the wings of his protection he will shield you from above: You shall call on him in trouble, he will hearken, he will save; Here for grief reward you double, crown with life beyond the grave.

Words: Psalm 91 Music: Richard Wayne Dirksen (1921-2003)

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 715 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

St. George's, Windsor

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 Triomphale: Now Thank We All Our God S. Karg-Elert (1877-1933)

SERVICE LEADERS AND PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, *Senior Minister* Nathan Skinner, *Director of Music*

Assisting Minister	Adam Herndon, Minister to Families and Youth
Elders	8:30 Stephen Adams
	11:00 David Rix, Moderator
Lay Readers	8:30 Randall Wetzig
	11:00 Jill VanderWoude
Musicians	Sanctuary Choir; Daniel Schmunk, Director of Choral Music
	Jonathan VanderWoude, <i>baritone</i>
CANDIDATE FOR BAPTISM	Ethan Buys, son of Todd and Kari Buys

A complete staff directory can be found at www.parkstreet.org/about-us/staff/

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Sun, Nov. 28 | First day of Advent - Sermon Series: The Book of Ruth Mon, Dec. 6 | 7:30 pm - Blue Christmas Sun, Dec. 12 | 7:00 pm - Lessons and Carols Service Fri, Dec. 24 | 3:00 pm, 5:00 pm & 7:00 pm - Christmas Eve Services

GLOBAL CITIZENS CHRISTIAN FORMATION SEMINAR

Sun, Nov. 21, 28 & Dec. $5 \mid 9:45 \text{ am} \& 5:30 \text{ pm}$ A Christian Formation seminar examining how we can cultivate a gospel-driven love for other cultures and peoples. In person and virtual options. Registration is required for the Zoom link.

Perspectives Course - Save the Dates

Jan. 18–May 10 | Tuesdays, 6:00–9:00 pm

A course on missions that explores the biblical, historical, cultural and strategic aspects of God's global plan for reconciliation, hosted by Park Street Church.

CLOTHING PANTRY - ITEMS NEEDED URGENTLY

We are in need of several items. Donations can be placed in the Clothing Pantry Donation box in the back, left corner of Ockenga Lobby. Please see the list below.

Thank you for your help!

Newly Purchased - men's and women's socks, men's underwear (larger sizes), women's underwear, long underwear, undershirts Gently Used for Men & Women - winter coats or jackets, warm sweaters, long-sleeved t-shirts, heavier weight pants, jogging pants, hoodies Non-Clothing - Ziplock bags to hold toiletries, lip balm, nail clippers, small hand sanitizer, tissue package, small toothpaste, toothbrush, bandages

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