Service of Holy Communion

Park Street Church | The Lord’s Day, July 3, 2022
This service booklet contains instructions (usually under the traditional symbol ¶, called a pilcrow) and explanations to aid the full participation of God’s people in his worship. The People read or sing all bold text with a loud voice. Where hymns are listed, the name of the tune appears right-flush in small caps. Scripture lessons are taken from the English Standard Version.

**ENTRANCE HYMN**

¶ Following the spoken introduction, the People stand.

My Country Tis of Thee

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1. My country! 'tis of thee,
sweet land of liberty,
of thee I sing;
land where my fathers died,
land of the pilgrims' pride,
from ev’ry mountainside
let freedom ring!

2. My native country! thee,
land of the noble free,
thy name I love;
I love thy rocks and rills,
thy woods and templed hills;
my heart with rapture thrills,
like that above.

3. Let music swell the breeze,
and ring from all the trees
sweet freedom's song;
let mortal tongues awake;
let all that breathe partake;
let rocks their silence break,
the sound prolong.

4. Our fathers' God! to thee,
Author of liberty,
to thee we sing.
Long may our land be bright,
with freedom's holy light.
Protect us by Thy might,
Great God our King.

Words: 1831 | Samuel Francis Smith (1808-1895)
Music: America, first published 1744 | Thesaurus Musicus; composer unknown 664. 6664
I Was Glad

I was glad when they said unto me,
Let us go into the house of the Lord.
Alleluia, Alleluia.

Words: Psalm 122 | Music: Roy Brunner (Park Street Church organist, 1993-2012)

CALL TO WORSHIP  
from Psalm 141 & 118

Leader  O LORD, I call upon you; hasten unto me,
and hear my voice when I cry unto you.

People  Let my prayer be set forth in your sight as incense,
and let the lifting up of my hands be an evening sacrifice.

Leader  You are my God, and I will thank you;
you are my God, and I will exalt you.

People  O give thanks unto the LORD, for he is gracious;
his mercy endures for ever.

HYMN

№ 34 The God of Abraham Praise  Leoni

Premiered at Park Street Church on Monday July 4, 1831, My Country 'Tis of Thee is a hymn praising and thanking God for the blessings of this country. It was self-evident to many Americans of Smith’s era that the chief benefit of liberty is the opportunity to worship and serve God freely. The tune used here, in addition to being the longtime unofficial British anthem, has also been used by Russia (later inspiring the composition of the Czar’s Hymn to which we sing No. 711 God the All-Terrible) and Germany (later inspiring Haydn to write his anthem for Germany, to which we sing No. 345 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken). The last line of the final stanza, “Great God our King,” is a direct jab at the British version God Save the King and their “king like the nations” (in Smith’s view). The original service leaflet from the 1831 Park Street premiere can be viewed at:
https://repository.library.brown.edu/studio/item/bdr:267170
INVOCATION & 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. Following the Peace, the People sit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LESSON

Colossians 3:1-4 pew Bible p. 984

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

HYMN

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

Come We That Love The Lord

Marching to Zion

1. Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be
2. Let those refuse to sing that never knew our
3. Ye pilgrims on the road to Zion’s city,
4. There shall each joyful tongue his endless praise pro-
known; join in a song with sweet ac-cord, join in a song with God; but chil-dren of the heaven-ly King, but chil-dren of the 
sing; re-joice ye in the Lamb of God, re-joice ye in the 
claim, and sing in sweet-er notes the song, and sing in sweet-
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sweet ac-cord, and thus sur-round the throne, and thus sur-round the heaven-ly King may speak their joys a-broad, may speak their joys a-
Lamb of God, in Christ the-ter-nal King, in Christ the-ter-nal 
notes the song of Mo-ses and the Lamb: of Mo-ses and the

2. may speak their joys a-broad.
3. in Christ the-ter-nal King:

We're march-ing to Zi-on, beau-ti-ful, beau-ti-ful

We're marching to Zi-on, we're marching to

Zi-on. We're marching up-ward to Zi-on, the beau-ti-ful ci-ty of God.
The People sit.

THE PSALM

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pew Bible p. 460

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.

*The Gloria Patri, or “lesser Doxology,” is traditionally sung or recited at the end of
psalms, in order to place them in an explicitly Trinitarian frame.*

Following the prayer, the People sit.

SERMON

“The Things Above”  

Mark Booker

HYMN

The People stand.

№ 539 Jerusalem the Golden  

Ewing

APOSTLES’ CREED

Standing, the People say together

I believe in God the Father, Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who 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.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated 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.

THE PRAYERS

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

CONFESSION OF SIN from Psalm 51

Have mercy on me, O God,  
    according to your steadfast love;  
according to your abundant mercy  
    blot out my transgressions.  
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,  
    and cleanse me from my sin.  
For I know my transgressions,  
    and my sin is ever before me.  
Against you, you only, have I sinned  
    and done what is evil in your sight,  
so that you may be justified in your words  
    and blameless in your judgment.  
Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,  
    and in sin did my mother conceive me.  
Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being,  
    and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.  
Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;  
    wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.  
Let me hear joy and gladness;  
    let the bones that you have broken rejoice.  
Hide your face from my sins,  
    and blot out all my iniquities.  
Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
    and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with a willing spirit.

OFFERTORY

How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place (11 am)

How lovely is thy dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!
For my soul, it longeth, yea fainteth for the courts of the Lord.
My soul and body crieth out, yea for the living God.
O blest are they that dwell in thy house:
They praise thy name evermore.

Words: from Psalm 84 | Music: Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

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.

THE LORD’S SUPPER

All baptized believers, along with their baptized children, are invited to partake of the Sacrament by proceeding up to the front (as directed by the ushers) to receive the elements, which should be consumed immediately. Gluten-free wafers are available.

During the distribution of the elements, the People sing the following hymns:

№ 421 Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness
№ 170 Fairest Lord Jesus
HYMN

¶ The People stand.

№ 710 God Of Our Fathers National Hymn

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.

Variations on “America” Charles Ives (1874–1954)
SERVICE LEADERS AND PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, Senior Minister
Nathan Skinner, Director of Music

Assisting Ministers Julian L., Minister of Missions
Adam Herndon, Minister to Families

Elder Lyford Beverage

Lay Readers 8:30 Richard Ibekwe
11:00 Christine Vasko

Musicians The Chamber Choir; Daniel Schmunk, Director of Choral Music

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

“Praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints” (Ephesians 6:18)

Let us pray together for...

Gratitude and love for this country, our United States of America.

Defense of human freedoms for all Americans, and the expansion of those freedoms around the globe.

Protection and virtue to cover the men and women serving in our military.

Revival and true unity in every church embracing the love of God in Christ crucified and risen.

Spiritual awakening in our schools and universities, health professions, our police and politicians, throughout Boston, and across America.

Submit prayer requests to www.parkstreet.org/requestprayer (or call 617-523-3383).
Second Sunday Meals | Picnic on the Common | Sun, Jul 10 | after all services
Next Sunday’s meal after each service will be a bring-your-own picnic on Boston Common. Make a plan with your small group, friends, or someone you’d like to get to know to bring and share a meal together. We look forward to seeing you there!

PSC Prayer Course | Mondays, Jul 11–Aug 29 | 8:00–9:15 pm | via Zoom
An 8–week course on prayer, covering various prayer practices to develop a more holistic and impactful prayer life and create deeper intimacy with God.
Register at: parkstreet.org/events

Join a Missionary Care Team
A.K.A. “Barnabas Groups” pray and encourage our missionaries, becoming liaisons between them and our congregation. Contact: missions@parkstreet.org

Freedom Trail Guides | Part–Time Summer Jobs Available | parkstreet.org/jobs

All–Church Camp | Aug 24–28 | Camp Laurel South in Casco, Maine
Join us for 2, 3, or 4 nights as we gather as a church family and enjoy God’s beautiful creation! This is a wonderful way to get to know your church family. Includes meals and full use of all the camp has to offer. Registration closes Aug 1.
Register: parkstreet.org/events. Questions? Email: aherndon@parkstreet.org

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