Welcome to Park Street Church! We’re glad you’re worshiping with us today. If you’re new, please take a look at the “NEW” section on the back cover for some ways to connect with our church.

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 bold text with a loud voice. Scripture lessons are from the English Standard Version.

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**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.

Festival Prelude on “A Mighty Fortress”

William Faulkes (1863–1933)

¶ Immediately at the conclusion of the Prelude, the People stand.

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

from Psalm 46 & 47

**Leader**

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

**People**

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea.

**Leader**

O come and behold the works of the Lord—he makes wars to cease in all the world.

**People**

The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

**Leader**

O clap your hands together, all you peoples;

O cry aloud unto God with shouts of joy.

**People**

For God is the King of all the earth;

think upon his mighty acts and praise him with a song.

**HYMN**

№ 92 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Ein Feste Burg
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. Following the Peace, the People sit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & LIFE OF THE CHURCH

THE FIRST LESSON

Leviticus 6:8–13 pew Bible p.84

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.

№ 376 Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

The People sit.

THE SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 4:4–10 pew Bible p. 977

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.

After the prayer, the People sit.

Sermon

God’s Continual Fire

Michael Balboni

Hymn

The People stand.

№ 165 Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

The Prayers

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

Offertery

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

Pie Jesu, from Requiem

Gabriel Fauré (1845–1924)

Pie Jesu Domine, Faithful Lord Jesus,
Dona nobis requiem Give us rest,
sempiternam requiem. eternal rest.

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

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

1. Ho - ly God, we praise thy name; Lord of all, we bow be - fore thee!
2. Hark! the loud ce - les - tial hymn An - gel choirs a - bove are rais - ing,
3. Lo! the a - pos - tol - ic train join thy sac - red Name to hal - low;
4. Ho - ly Fa - ther, Ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it, Three we name thee;

All on earth thy scep - ter claim, all in heav’n a - bove a - dore thee;
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim, in un - ceas - ing cho - rus praise - ing;
proph - ets swell the glad re - train, and the white-robed mar - tyr - s fol - low;
while in es - sence on - ly One, un - di - vid - ed God we claim thee;

in - fi - nite thy vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is thy reign,
and from morn to set of sun, through the Church the song goes on.
and a - dor - ing bend the knee, while we sing this mys - ter - y.

Words: based on Te Deum, 4th century, attr. St. Ambrose; attr. Ignace Franz (1719–1790)
Music: Grosser Gott, Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, ca. 1774

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.

Processional in E-flat Major

David N. Johnson (1922–1987)
SERVICE LEADERS AND PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, Senior Minister
Nathan Skinner, Director of Music

Preacher Michael Balboni, Associate Minister

Assisting Minister Damian Long, Minister of Small Groups & Young Adults

Elder  8:30  Jason Abraham  
        11:00  Stephen Adams

Lay Readers  8:30  Alex Ichimura  
              11:00  Christine Vasko

Musician Maegan Hoogerhyde, soprano

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

“First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people.” 1 Timothy 2:1

Let us pray together for...

Those suffering loss from Hurricane Ian, that they would discover hope.

Regional Fellowships and new small group launches, that souls are knit together.

The Global Missions Conference in early November to lead to new missionary callings and deeper commitment across the church.

Those struggling with mental health and addictions, that each would know Christ’s love and receive practical support.

Those struggling to experience forgiveness, that today would bring a Holy Spirit breakthrough.

Submit prayer requests to: parkstreet.org/requestprayer (or call 617-523-3383).
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Second Sunday Meals | Today | 9:45 am & 5:30 pm
We encourage everyone to join us for a meal which will be eaten with our Regional Fellowships in conjunction with our Christian Formation Series (see announcement below). Please see room assignments by region at right.

Faithfulness in a Time of Political Upheaval | Sundays in Oct | 9:45 am & 5:30 pm
A new Christian Formation Series that asks: How does theology inform our faithful engagement of politics? More info & register to receive materials: parkstreet.org/christianformation. All interested (including international members of our church family) are encouraged to attend regardless of registration. Today our Christian Formation classes will be enjoying their Second Sunday meal together. See room assignment at right.

New Members Classes | Sun, Oct 16, 23 & 30 | 12:45–4:00 pm | Park Street Church or | Fri, Dec 2 (6:30–9:00 pm) & Sat, Dec 3 (9:00 am–4:00 pm) | PSC
Join us for meals and an exploration of the community life, theological convictions, and unique priorities of Park Street Church. Register at parkstreet.org/membership

Small Group Regional Onboarding Dinners
Gather for dinner and learn more about small groups in your Regional Fellowship. More info: parkstreet.org/smallgroups. To sign up, email: smallgroups@parkstreet.org

Disability and the Practice of Christian Community | Sun, Oct 23 | 12:30 pm | PSC
Join Enable Boston for a guest speaker, lunch, prayer and discussion. Register: parkstreet.org/enableboston

Family Ministry Service Opportunities
There are several opportunities for congregants to volunteer with the Nursery, Children’s, Enable Boston and Youth Ministries. sverrengia@parkstreet.org

College Ministry House Room Openings | “Wilson House” Harvard Square
Residential openings for two males: one on Nov 1, and one on Jan 1. Twenty-somethings with a heart for undergrad ministry encouraged to apply. catrice.conover@cru.org

Newcomers Lunch | Sun, Oct 16 | 12:30 pm
We’re so glad you’re visiting! Bring your questions about the church and meet some of our leadership as we enjoy good food together. RSVP: new@parkstreet.org

Global Missions Conference 2022: Seeds of the Kingdom | Fri, Nov 4–Sun, Nov 13
Mark your calendar for this year’s Global Missions Conference! We’ll hear from guest speakers, our own missionaries, and others about how God’s kingdom is being established in our world. More details and a complete schedule coming soon!

For more details and announcements, or for registration links, please visit: parkstreet.org/announcements

Sign up for regular updates at: parkstreet.org/enews
Faithfulness in a Time of Political Upheaval

Room assignments by region, for Christian Formation Series at 9:45 am (see p. 8)
Welcome to Park Street Church! We’re glad you are here, and we invite you to become a part of this community of Jesus’ disciples. Our heart is to exalt Jesus above all in our community, in our city, and in the world, and our mission is to make disciples who become like Jesus together. We understand that we become like Jesus as we grow in the way of love: loving God, loving one another, loving our neighbors in Boston and beyond, and loving God’s word. Wherever you’re coming from and whatever questions you are asking, we welcome you to join us as we seek to become more like Jesus.

Here are some specific steps you can take to connect:

• Fill out a Connect card (in the pews or at parkstreet.org) and drop it in the offering plate or hand to an usher or minister. We’ll be in touch.

• Meet an elder or minister at the Info Desk in the Welcome Center (one floor below the sanctuary).

• Pick up a Welcome booklet and an Engage flyer to take with you.

• RSVP to the invitation you receive for the Newcomers’ Lunch on a third Sunday of the month (the next lunch is Sun, Oct 16). You can meet other newcomers and church leaders, hear about our community and ask questions.

• If you’d really like to get to know us, consider joining a New Members’ Class (taking the class does not mean you’re required to become a member!), where you’ll learn more about what we believe and how we live out the Christian life together. For more information, visit parkstreet.org/newmembers