Announcements

Advent Devotionals Available

Pick up your copy of Park Street Church's Advent Devotional in the sanctuary, or visit parkstreet.org/advent to view daily entries.

A Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols | Sun, Dec 11 | 7:00 pm

A traditional service with music sung by the Sanctuary Choir and Congregation, and accompanied by the Park Street Orchestra. Seating limited to the sanctuary. Please register for childcare: parkstreet.org/announcements.

New Small Groups Open House | Sun, Dec 4 | after 11:00 am & 4:00 pm services Downtown, Cambridge/Somerville and SW Boston/Brookline Regions

Join us for lunch (6th floor Conference Room), or for dinner (Common Room) if you are interested in joining or helping to form a new small group in one of these regions.

Christian Formation Opportunities | Register: parkstreet.org/christian-formation Continue to Cultivate the Soil of Your Heart | Sun, Nov 27 (9:45 am & 5:30 pm) What next steps will you take after our missions conference? Join an interactive, informal class to process, listen and consider ways you can serve locally and globally.

JOY!! It's Not Just Meant for Christmas | Sun, Dec 4, 11 & 18 | 9:45 am & 5:30 pm How might your life be different if you knew your brain was fueled by joy? Learn how the ancient truths of Scripture are being acknowledged by modern science.

Global Missions Conference 2022 Survey & Next Steps

Thank you for participating in the Global Missions Conference 2022: Seeds of the Kingdom! To give feedback and learn about next steps, visit parkstreet.org/missions.

Park Street Church Library

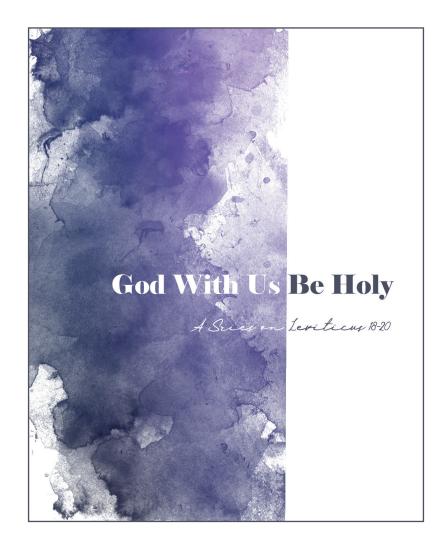
Consider stopping by Park Street Church's library (right off the Welcome Center) to find great resources. The library is open most Sundays, 9:30 am-4:00 pm.

November Budget Update

The congregation approved solid budgets for both M&O and Missions last February. Through early November expenses are under control and giving to both M&O and Missions is pretty much equal to last year. We rejoice in that. While the giving trend is positive, remember that giving tends to be seasonal, with a substantial increase in giving needed in the last two months of the year to finish the year in balance for each of our budgets.

Each year more than one-quarter of the annual budgets are funded by gifts given in the month of December alone. This means that giving in December is typically four times the amount in the average prior month of the year. The accompanying chart (to view, visit parkstreet.org/announcements) shows the needed giving as we approach the end of the year. The most important thing to remember is that God loves a cheerful giver. May each of us give as we are led. Please also remember that gifts intended for Missions must be designated or identified as such—so when you give to Missions please make sure to note that in the memo line whether online or on the check.

For more details and announcements, please visit: parkstreet.org/announcements



Service of Worship

Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, November 20, 2022

The First Sunday of Advent

4 pm

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Let All Things Now Living

ADORATION, CONFESSION, & THE LORD'S PRAYER

PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with your spirit.

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Blessed Be Your Name

Rest In You

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Leviticus 18:1-5, 18:24-19:2, 20:26

pew bible p.96 pew bible p. 830

Matthew 24:29-44

after each reading:

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks Be to God.

The children are dismissed to Children's Church

SERMON Be Ready, Be Holy Mark Booker

Goodness of God

THE PRAYERS

OFFERTORY parkstreet.org/giveonline

For the Beauty of the Earth

BENEDICTION

Mark Booker, Senior Minister Chris May, Minister to Women

Doug May, Elder

Elizabeth Lohnes, Lay Reader

The Sunday Night Band; Shannon Jacob, Director of the Sunday Night Band

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New?

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.

If you're new, 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.
- 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 where you can meet other newcomers and church leaders, hear about our community, and ask questions.
- If you'd really like get to know us, consider joining a New Members' Class (taking
 the class does not mean you are 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

Collective Prayers

Let us pray for...

- A Spirit of thanksgiving to be over the people of God for the forgiveness of sins, the gift of the Spirit, and the promise of eternal life.
- Peace and safety in Ukraine.
- Comfort and care for those who have suffered from senseless acts of violence in our nation over the past few weeks, including Colorado Springs, the University of Idaho and the University of Virginia.
- Our church to build growing relationships with Muslim Americans searching for spiritualtruth.
- Those isolated in nursing homes, to know God's close love.

Submit personal prayer requests to parkstreet.org/requestprayer

Important Dates

Sun, Dec 11 | 7:00 pm | A Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols Mon, Dec 19 | 7:00 pm | Blue Christmas

Sat, Dec 24 | 3:00, 5:00 & 7:00 pm | Christmas Eve Services

Sun, Dec 25 | 11:00 am | Christmas Day Service

Sun, Jan 1 | 11:00 am | New Year's Day Service