



F.M. RINES

SERVICE *of* WORSHIP

Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, January 15, 2023

Welcome to Park Street Church! We're glad you're worshipping 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.*

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 (II am)

O Gladsome Light

O gladsome light, O grace of God the Father's face,
The eternal splendour wearing: celestial, holy, blest,
Our Saviour Jesus Christ, joyful in thine appearing.

Now this day dawning bright, we see the morning light,
Our wonted hymn outpouring. Father of might unknown,
Thee, his incarnate Son, and Holy Spirit adoring.

To thee of right belongs all praise of holy songs,
O Son of God, lifegiver; thee, therefore, O Most High,
The world doth glorify, and shall exalt for ever. Amen.

Words: Robert Bridges (1844-1930) | Music: Louis Bourgeois (c.1510-1561)

¶ *Immediately after the introit, the People stand.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader It is a good thing to give thanks unto the LORD,
and to sing praises unto your Name, O Most High.

People To tell of your loving-kindness early in the morning,
and of your faithfulness in the night season,

Leader Upon an instrument of ten strings and upon the lute,
with the sound of melody upon the harp.

People For you, LORD, have made me glad by your deeds,
and I will shout for joy because of your handiwork.

HYMN

N^o 457 Come Thou Fount

NETTLETON

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

Presentation of New Members to the Congregation (11 am)

ANTHEM

(11 am)

Nunc Dimittis

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace
according to thy word,
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,
which thou has prepared before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles,
and to be the glory of thy people, Israel.

Words: based on Luke 2:29–32 | Music: 2016, Wesley J Newcomb (b. 1990)

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 53:8–12

per Bible p. 614

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.*

Nº 499 Rock of Ages

TOPLADY

¶ *The People sit.*

THE SECOND LESSON

Luke 24:33–34

per Bible p.885

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE GLORIA PATRI

¶ *The People stand. (Hymn Nº 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.*

S E R M O N

Forgiveness, Part 1

Michael Balboni

H Y M N

¶ *The People stand.*

Nº 691 It Is Well

VILLE DU HAVRE

¶ *The People sit.*

T H E S A C R A M E N T O F B A P T I S M

(8:30 am only; 11 am service continues on p. 7)

The Exhortation & The Examination of Parents

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.

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 her 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

¶ *The minister prays, concluding with*

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 Presentation

THE PRAYERS

¶ *After the candidate has been presented, the People may kneel or sit, and the Minister leads them in prayer.*

OFFERTORY

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

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

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

HYFRYDOL

🎷 *This hymn was sung Jan 14, 1923, during Park Street's first radio broadcast on WNAC 100 years ago.*

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| <p>1. Love divine, all loves excelling,
 joy of heaven to earth come down;
 fix in us thy humble dwelling;
 all thy faithful mercies crown!
 Jesus, thou art all compassion,
 pure unbounded love thou art;
 visit us with thy salvation;
 enter every trembling heart.</p> | <p>3. Come, Almighty to deliver,
 let us all thy life receive;
 suddenly return and never,
 nevermore thy temples leave.
 Thee we would be always blessing,
 serve thee as thy hosts above,
 pray and praise thee without ceasing,
 glory in thy perfect love.</p> |
| <p>2. Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit,
 into every troubled breast!
 let us all in thee inherit;
 let us find the promised rest:
 take away the love of sinning;
 Alpha and Omega be;
 end of faith, as its beginning,
 set our hearts at liberty.</p> | <p>4. Finish, then, thy new creation;
 pure and spotless let us be.
 Let us see thy great salvation
 perfectly restored in thee;
 changed from glory into glory,
 till in heaven we take our place,
 till we cast our crowns before thee,
 lost in wonder, love, and praise.</p> |

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.*

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 CANDIDATES 8:30 Mary Harvey, *elder-candidate*

11:00 Kristin Peltz, *elder-candidate*

LAY READERS 8:30 Mike Ahearn

11:00 Christine Vasko

MUSICIANS The Chamber Choir; Daniel Schmunk, *Director of Choral Music*

Nathaniel Efthimiou, *guest organist*

CANDIDATE FOR BAPTISM Lulu Shepard

daughter of Mark & Annetta Shephard

NEW MEMBERS 11:00

Benjamin Clark

Denise Alves Clark

G. Walter Hansen

Darlene Hansen

Kate Elisabeth Quigley

Each of these candidates has been elected to membership at a meeting of the Membership Committee, and is today presented to the Congregation in accordance with our Bylaws.

COLLECTIVE PRAYERS

“And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.” Matthew 6:7–8

Let us earnestly pray for...

- Peace for the Jewish people—to come to Jesus, Messiah; and for peace over Jerusalem and Israel.
- Freedom for those struggling with alcohol, drug, gambling, and sexual addictions.
- Direction and healing among those in broken marriages, or suffering from unwanted divorce.
- Our teenagers to know the costly love of Christ given for their lives.
- Homebound congregants who are mainly confined to their residences including: Alice, Barbara, Dorothy, Charlie, Ernestine, Hedda, Jean, Joan, John & Penny, Lynne, Maura, Peter & Lucille, Phil, Renate, Ruth, Sadie, Scott, Sheri, Stan & Hilda, Winston. *Psalm 71:9*

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Membership Reaffirmation 2023

We are asking all members to reaffirm or update their membership status this month. An email was sent to members earlier this week. If you did not receive it, please email clerk@parkstreet.org with your updated email address.

Reception for Kenya Short-Term Mission Team | Today | 12:30 pm | *Granary Room*

Listen to the team's report as they share photos and stories with us about their recent trip.

4th Trimester Mom's Gathering | Today | after the 8:30 am service | *2nd Floor Nursery*

Moms of children 2 and under are invited to meet one another and grow in community.

Celebrating 100 Years of the Radio Ministry | Today | after all services | *Welcome Center*

Join us for a celebratory piece of cake, and to watch a short video about the ministry.

Christian Formation Class | Sun, Jan 22, 29 & Feb 5 | 9:45 am, 12:30 pm & 5:30 pm

"Jesus, Asia and Boston: Untapped roots from the early church in Asia that can refresh our spiritual life today in Boston." Led by Julian L., Minister of Missions.

Faithful Careers: Doing Science Research | Fri, Jan 20 | 6:00–8:00 pm | *BU Medical Campus*

Join the Boston Healthcare Fellowship for dinner and a panel discussion with John Dickson and Brenda Birman who will share their experiences of being researchers and Christians. For more and to RSVP, visit parkstreet.org/announcements.

College Lunches Resuming | Sun, Jan 22 | 12:30 pm | *Sky Room*

If you're a college student, we want to know you! Join us every week for lunch, fellowship and discussion. Contact: tmcleod@parkstreet.org.

Premarital Workshop | Sat, Jan 28 | 9:00 am–4:00 pm | *Park Street Church*

If you're thinking of getting married or engaged, join us for a workshop with 'Prepare Enrich' certified instructor Melanie Letaw to assess your relationship's strengths and growth areas. The cost is \$60. Please register at parkstreet.org/announcements.

For more details and announcements, or for registration links, please visit:
parkstreet.org/announcements *or sign up for regular updates at:* parkstreet.org/enews

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. 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, or by scanning the **QR code** below) 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. 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'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



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