

SERVICE *of* WORSHIP

Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, February 26, 2023

*The First Sunday in Lent*

*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 us.*

*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.*

*Lent is the period of forty days (Sundays are excluded) leading up to Easter. Historically, this was a period of preparation for those planning to be baptized at Easter. It later became a time of penitence and self-examination for all Christians. The word Lent means "springtime" and much like the new life that comes after a cold winter, Lent is rooted in repentance and conversion, putting off the old self and putting on the new. This is not simply a one-time event or something exclusive to the Lenten season (though it is highlighted in Lent). Rather, it is a continuous action as the Christian way of discipleship entails a constant turning away from sin and a reorientation to God. All of this is aimed at the renewal of our life in Christ.*

*The forty days of Lent symbolize the forty days Jesus spent in the wilderness being tempted by Satan. By observing Lent, we follow Jesus into the wilderness, resist temptation, pray, and proceed "on the way" to Jerusalem and to the cross of Good Friday. Throughout the history of the church, many Christians have used the forty days of Lent to restore vibrancy, life, passion, and vision in their walks with God, primarily through a renewed focus on various spiritual disciplines, including prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.*

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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.*

### INTROIT (II am)

Help Me, O Lord

Help me, O Lord, thy way to keep, in truth and in sincerity.

For what I sow, that I must reap, through time and in eternity.

Words: New Lebanon, NY, ca 1838 | Music: arr. Kevin Siegfried (b. 1969)

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

*from Psalm 119*

*Leader* I will praise you, LORD, with an upright heart  
as I learn your righteous laws.

*People* **May my lips overflow with praise,  
for you teach me your decrees.**

*Leader* Many are the foes who persecute me,  
but I have not turned from your statutes.

*People* **I wait for your salvation, LORD,  
and I follow your commands.**

HYMN

Nº 508 Jesus, Lover of My Soul

ABERYSTWYTH

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

A N T H E M  
(II am)

Ah, When Shall I Awake

Ah, when shall I awake from sin's soft-soothing power,  
The slumber from my spirit shake, and rise to fall no more?  
Awake, no more to sleep, but stand with constant care,  
Looking for God my soul to keep, and watching unto prayer!

O could I always pray? And never, never faint,  
But simply to my God display my every care and want!  
I know that thou wouldst give more than I can request;  
Thou still art ready to receive my soul to perfect rest.

I feel thee willing, Lord, a sinful world to save,  
All may obey thy gracious word, may peace and pardon have;  
Not one of all the race but may return to thee,  
But at the throne of sovereign grace may fall and weep, like me.

Let us in patience wait 'till faith shall make us whole;  
Till thou shalt all things new create in each believing soul;  
Who can resist thy will? Speak, and it shall be done!  
Thou shalt the work of faith fulfil, and perfect us in one.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707–1788) | Music: Wesley Newcomb (b.1990)

T H E F I R S T L E S S O N

*Isaiah 52:7–12*

*pew Bible p. 613*

*Reader*    **The Word of the Lord.**

*People*    **Thanks be to God.**

H Y M N

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

N<sup>o</sup> 472 Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Wretched

BRYN CALFARIA

¶ *The People sit.*

## THE SECOND LESSON

*Acts 10:34-43*

*pew Bible p. 919*

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## THE GLORIA PATRI

¶ *The People stand. (Hymn N<sup>o</sup> 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 Gospel

Mark Booker

## HYMN

¶ *The People stand.*

N<sup>o</sup> 460 Amazing Grace

## THE PRAYERS

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

## OFFERTORY

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

Sarabande, *from Cello Suite No. 2 in D minor*

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

## PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

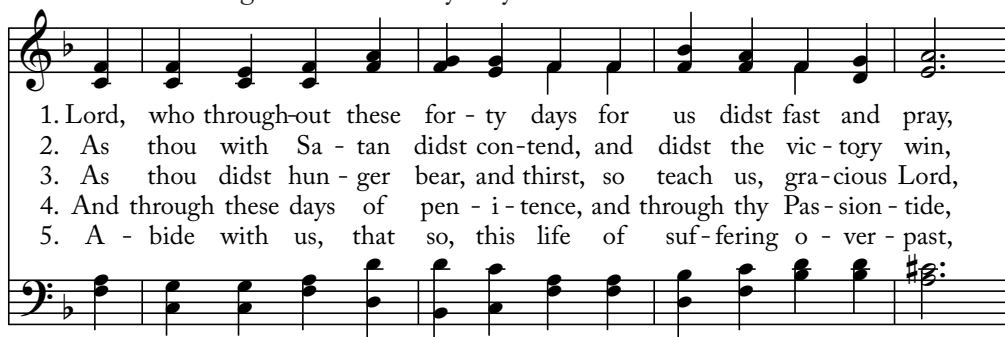
¶ *The People stand and sing as the offerings are brought forward by the ushers. A Minister then presents them to the Lord in prayer.*

**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.**

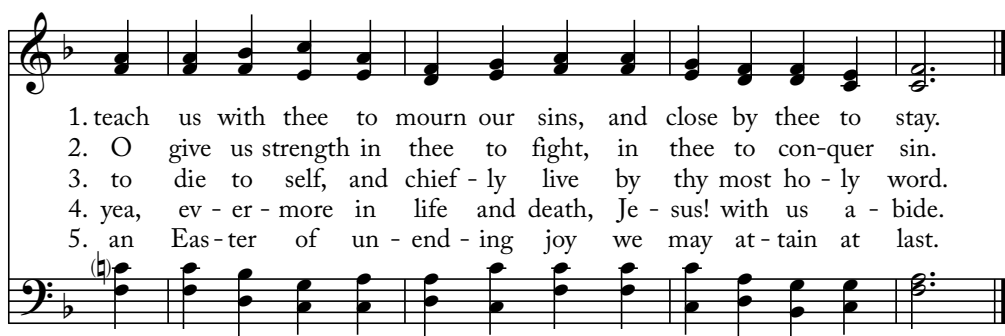
## HYMN

Lord Who Throughout These Forty Days

ST. FLAVIAN



1. Lord, who through-out these for - ty days for us didst fast and pray,  
2. As thou with Sa - tan didst con-tend, and didst the vic - tory win,  
3. As thou didst hun - ger bear, and thirst, so teach us, gra - cious Lord,  
4. And through these days of pen - i - tence, and through thy Pas - sion - tide,  
5. A - bide with us, that so, this life of suf - fering o - ver - past,



1. teach us with thee to mourn our sins, and close by thee to stay.  
2. O give us strength in thee to fight, in thee to con-quer sin.  
3. to die to self, and chief - ly live by thy most ho - ly word.  
4. yea, ev - er - more in life and death, Je - sus! with us a - bide.  
5. an Eas - ter of un - end - ing joy we may at - tain at last.

Words: Claudia Frances Hernaman (1838-1898)

Music: St. Flavian, melody 1562; arr. Richard Redhead (1820-1901)

## BENEDICTION

## THE POSTLUDE

¶ *The People sit or may leave quietly as a work is played upon the organ. Please be respectful of those listening to the postlude in the sanctuary or via the livestream.*

Ah, Holy Jesus

J. Brahms (1833-1897)

## SERVICE LEADERS AND PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, *Senior Minister*

Nathan Skinner, *Director of Music*

ASSISTING MINISTER Tammy McLeod, *Director of College Student Ministries*

ELDERS 8:30 Nick Dedeke

11:00 John Liu

LAY READERS 8:30 Mike Ahearn

11:00 Jason Peter

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

Kirstin Peltz, *Cello*

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## COLLECTIVE PRAYERS

*“For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it; you will not be pleased with a burnt offering. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.” Psalm 51:16–17*

### Let us pray for...

- Hearts and lives of deep repentance, that we would turn away from spiritual indifference, hypocrisy, and hard-heartedness to the word of God and the promptings of the Holy Spirit.
- Self-examination that removes the log from our own eyes, rather than the speck in the eyes of our brothers and sisters.
- Revival and spiritual awakening among college and university students, trainees, and faculty members.
- Help in trouble, for those suffering natural and human catastrophe in Turkey, Syria, Ukraine, and Russia.
- Family and friends of Peter Baddoo, as we grieve his death and seek the Lord to draw good from this evil.

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

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Lenten Discipleship Initiative: Becoming Like Jesus | Begins Today | 9:45 am & 5:30 pm**

The call of Jesus—and the Christian claim—is that we come to full, overflowing, and abundant life as we follow and become like Jesus. During Lent, both in LDI and in our Sunday sermons, we will explore a framework that informs how we think about growing in Christ. Register: [parkstreet.org/ldi](https://parkstreet.org/ldi)

### **2023 Short-Term Mission Opportunities**

Serve shoulder-to-shoulder with our missionaries and global partners this year by participating in one of 9 short-term mission projects. Information about this year's STM opportunities can be found in the Welcome Center and at [parkstreet.org/missions](https://parkstreet.org/missions).

Questions? Contact [missions@parkstreet.org](mailto:missions@parkstreet.org).

### **Midday Lenten Service | Wednesdays, Beginning Mar 1 | 12:15 pm | Sanctuary**

This Lent consider spending your lunch break with us as we gather for a 30-minute service of prayer, reflection on scripture, and hymns. Also streamed at [parkstreet.org/live](https://parkstreet.org/live).

### **New Members' Class | Sun, Feb 26, Mar 5 and Mar 12 | 12:30-4:00 pm | PSC**

Join us for lunch and discussions to learn about PSC. Register: [parkstreet.org/membership](https://parkstreet.org/membership).

### **Earthquake Response**

In response to the tragic earthquakes in Turkey and Syria, Park Street is partnering with World Relief and Kardelen (serving children with disabilities), to provide aid. In addition to your regular support of our missions program, you may further assist in the relief efforts by designating a gift to "World Relief" or "Missions: Kardelen" via check or at [parkstreet.org/give](https://parkstreet.org/give). Questions? Contact [missions@parkstreet.org](mailto:missions@parkstreet.org).

*For more details and announcements, or for registration links, please visit:*  
[parkstreet.org/announcements](https://parkstreet.org/announcements) or sign up for regular updates at: [parkstreet.org/news](https://parkstreet.org/news)





## 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. 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](http://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) and pick up a **Welcome booklet** and an **Engage flyer**.
- 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.



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