

Service of Worship & Holy Baptism Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, March 12, 2023 The Third 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.

Purple is the traditional color of preparation and penitence, and is used during the seasons of Advent and Lent. Purple was historically the color of kings (the dye was extremely costly) so the color also emphasizes the royalty of Jesus (cf. John 19).

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 (11 am)

Lighten Our Darkness

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this life; for the love of thy only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

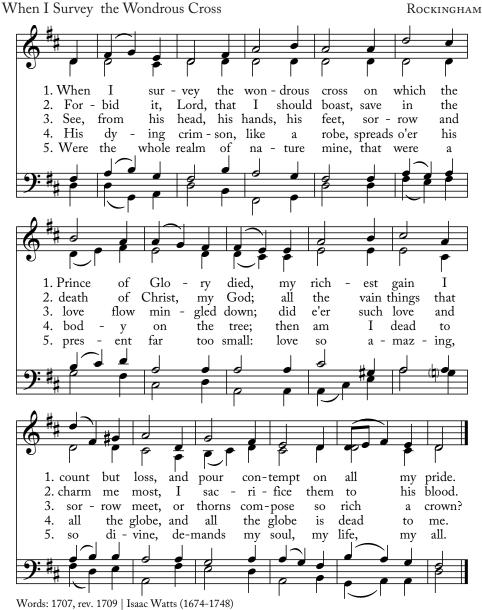
Words: Gelasian Sacramentary (8th century) | Music: 2007, Alexander L'Estrange (b. 1974)

¶ Immediately after the introit, the People stand.

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 73

Leader	Truly, God is loving to Israel, even to those who have a clean heart.	
People	Though my flesh and my heart fail me,	
	God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.	
Leader	For behold, those who forsake you shall perish.	
People	But it is good for me to hold fast to God,	
	and to speak of all your works in the gates of the city of Zion.	

HYMN



Music: Rockingham, 1790 | Edward Miller (1731-1807) LM

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

ANTHEM (11 am)

I'll Make Music

Lord and Master, I'll sing a song to you, on the ten-string lyre I'll make music.
Lord and Master, let your thoughts fall like rain and just like showers on new grass.
We'll play for you with harps and trumpets, we'll sing some psalms in praise of you.
Lord and Master, let your words descend like dew and just like droplets on tender leaves.
I'll make music, I shall make new music, I shall make music for you.

Words: Deuteronomy 32:2, Psalm 144:9 and 1 Chronicles 13:8 | Music: Karl Jenkins (b.1944)

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THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 6:1-8

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

HYMN

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

Nº 257 Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted

O Mein Jesu

¶ The People sit.

THE SECOND LESSON

John 4:7-26

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ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks 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.

¶ Following the prayer, the People sit.

S E R M O N

True Worship

Mark Booker

pew Bible p. 571

¶ The People stand.

How Shall I Sing That Majesty

Coe Fen



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¶ The People sit.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

(11 am only; 8:30 am service continues on p. 9)

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 his 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.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?
I do. I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
Do you believe and trust in Jesus Christ?
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.
Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?
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,

Prayer for the Candidate

and the life everlasting. Amen.

¶ 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; Minister leads them in prayer.

OFFERTORY

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

Valse Triste

R. Glière (1875-1956)

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

My Song is Love Unknown

Love Unknown

(printed on next page)



Words: 1664 | Samuel Crossman (1623-1683) Music: *Love Unknown*, 1918 | John Ireland (1879-1962) 66. 66. 44. 44

+But men made strange: But men scorned him

BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE

¶ The People sit as a work is played upon the organ, or may leave quietly.

Variations on "What Wondrous Love is This" Daniel Pinkham (1923–2006)

SERVICE LEADERS AND PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, *Senior Minister* Nathan Skinner, *Director of Music*

Assisting Minister	Raymo	ond Kam, Minister to Internationals
Elders	0	Leslie Liu Kirstin Peltz
Lay Readers		Stuart DeLorme Jill VanderWoude
CANDIDATE FOR BAPTISM Kimberly Sung, daught		rly Sung, daughter of Ye Jin Lee and Peter Sung
Musicians	MUSICIANS The Sanctuary Choir; Daniel Schmunk, <i>Director of Choral Mu</i> Rachel Brake, <i>horn</i>	

COLLECTIVE PRAYERS

"And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." Matthew 16:18–19

Let us pray together for...

- The Holy Spirit to cover our church with purity, unity, and especially, charity.
- The power of Christ to expel dark spiritual forces that hide, confuse, and destroy.
- The exercise of the church's spiritual authority to bind evil and to free captives.
- Those experiencing illness or afflictions, including: Gary, Stuart, Lora, Zach, Ruth, Ava, Alex, Irene, Charlie. (To add a name, please visit the link below.)
- The Holy Spirit's guidance of the Board of Elders.

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

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES

	Worship Services 8:30 am, 11:00 am ど 4:00 pm
	Midweek Lenten Service 12:15 pm
Maundy Thursday April 6	Communion Service 7:30 pm <i>Childcare available, ages</i> 0-4, <i>registration required</i>
	Worship Service Noon & 7:30 pm Childcare available, ages 0-4, registration required
	Worship Services 9:00 am & 11:00 am Music by choirs & orchestra 4:00 pm Music by Sunday Night Band, strings, brass <i>Childcare available, ages 0-2, no registration required</i>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join us for a Second Sunday Meal | Today | after the 11:00 am service | *Fellowship Hall* Due to LDI, our Second Sunday Meal will take place after the 11:00 am service only.

Short-Term Missions Info Meeting | Wed, Mar 22 | 7:30–8:30 pm | Zoom Serve with our missionaries, global partners and local ministries through a short-term missions project. Learn more in the Welcome Center and at parkstreet.org/missions, or attend our info meeting (all are welcome—no commitment required). Applications due: Mar 31 (summer STM's); Jun 1 (fall STM's). Contact: missions@parkstreet.org

Youth Spring Retreat | Fri, Jun 2-Sun, Jun 4 | Ocean Park, ME

Join us as we connect with one another and with Jesus while enjoying the beauty of his creation. Grades 7–12. Register by Sun, May 21: parkstreet.org/announcements.

Midday Lenten Services | Wednesdays, throughout Lent | 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.

City Engagement Lenten Prayer | Thursdays throughout Lent | 12:00–12:30 pm | Zoom Give thanks and pray for City Engagement ministries, leaders and volunteers and for our church to be the presence of Jesus in the city. Register: parkstreet.org/announcements.

Holy Week & Easter: We Need Nursery & Hospitality Volunteers

Would you be willing to serve the littlest congregants or help with hospitality during Holy Week and Easter? Sign up at **parkstreet.org/announcements**.

Easter Memorial Flowers

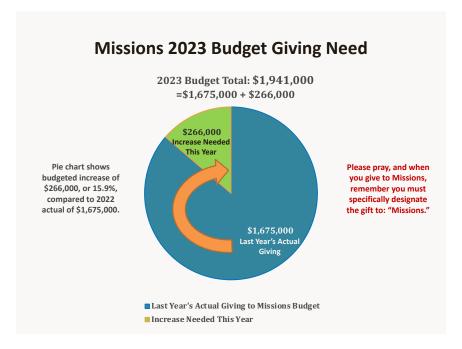
On Easter Sunday, many congregants take the opportunity to donate sanctuary flowers in memory of a loved one who has passed away. If this is something you would like to do, we invite you to visit **parkstreet.org/easterflowers** where you will find payment and ordering details. The order deadline is Sun, Apr 2.

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

2023 MISSIONS BUDGET UPDATE

For those of you who missed the Annual Meeting, the approved 2023 Missions Budget anticipates a substantial increase of \$266K, or 15.9%, in congregational giving this year. The increase is due to long-planned, additional funding for PSC missionaries to various parts of Asia and the Middle East, and continuing outreach through City Engagement. The illustration below provides a summary of the need.

The 2023 Ministry & Operations Budget anticipates a more modest increase in congregational giving of \$141K, or 4.6%.



NEW?

Welcome to Park Street Church! We're glad you're 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 and drop it in the offering plate or hand to an usher or minister (or visit **parkstreet.org**, or scan the **QR code** below). 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. We look forward to knowing you better!