



SERVICE *of* WORSHIP

Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, May 14, 2023

The Sixth Sunday of Eastertide

***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 bulletin contains instructions (usually next to the pilcrow symbol ¶) and explanations meant to help us fully participate in our worship of God. The People read **bold text** with a loud voice. Scripture lessons are from the English Standard Version.*

THE PRELUDE

☪ *Music is played by the musicians to prepare us in body and mind to enter the presence of God.*

III. Religioso, from *Four Pieces, op. 78*

Jean Sibelius (1865-1957)

INTROIT

These Are They

These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth.
These were redeemed from among men,
being the first-fruits unto God and to the Lamb.
And in their mouth was found no guile,
for they are without fault before the throne of God.

Words: Revelation 14:4-5 | Music: John Goss (1800-1880)

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 118

Leader Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Leader Open unto me the gates of righteousness,
that I may go into them, and give thanks to the Lord.

People **I will thank you, for you have heard me,
and have become my salvation.**

Leader The same stone which the builders refused
has become the chief cornerstone;
this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

People **This is the day that the Lord has made;
we will rejoice and be glad in it.**

HYMN

The Strife is O'er

VICTORY

Antiphon (sing before stanza 1)

Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

1. The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done;
2. The pow'rs of death have done their worst;
3. The three sad days are quick - ly sped;
4. He closed the yawn - ing gates of hell;
5. Lord, by the stripes which wound - ed thee,

1. the vic - to - ry of life is won;
2. but Christ their le - gions hath dis - persed;
3. he ris - es glo - rious from the dead;
4. the bars from heaven's high por - tals fell;
5. from death's dread sting thy ser - vants free,

1. the song of tri - umph has be - gun: *Al - le - lu - ia!*
 2. let shouts of ho - ly joy out - burst. *Al - le - lu - ia!*
 3. all glo - ry to our ris - en Head! *Al - le - lu - ia!*
 4. let hymns of praise His tri - umphs tell! *Al - le - lu - ia!*
 5. that we may live and sing to thee. *Al - le - lu - ia!*

Antiphon (sing after stanza 5)

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Words: Medieval Latin

trans: 1861 | Francis Pott (1832-1909)

Music: *Victory*, 1591 | G. P. Palestrina (1525-1594)

adapt: 1861 | William Henry Monk (1823-1889) 888 with Alleluias

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)

If Ye Love Me

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father,
and he shall give you another comforter,
that he may abide with you for ever:
e'en the Spirit of truth.

And ye know him, for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.
I will not leave you comfortless:
I will come to you.

Words: based on John 14:15-18 | Music: Philip Wilby (b.1949)

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 44:6-11

pew Bible p. 604

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 299 Look, Ye Saints, the Sight is Glorious

CORONÆ

¶ *The People sit.*

THE SECOND LESSON

Acts 17:16-34

pew Bible p. 926

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.*

SERMON

Bearing Witness

Mark Booker

HYMN

¶ *The People stand.*

Nº 165 Ye Servants of God

LYONS

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 while music is offered to the Lord.*

The Resurrection: *Introduction & Variations on Surrexit Christus Hodie* H. Biber
See hymnal № 273 for text, and the next page for a musical note. (1644-1704)

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

№ 266 Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain ST. KEVIN

BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE

¶ *The People may sit or leave quietly. Please be respectful of those listening to the music.*

Carillon-Sortie H. Mulet (1878-1967)

SERVICE LEADERS AND PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, *Senior Minister*

Nathan Skinner, *Director of Music*

ASSISTING MINISTER Adam Herndon, *Minister to Families & Youth*

ELDERS 8:30 John Liu

11:00 Andrew Ziegler

LAY READERS 8:30 Eleanor Peltz

11:00 Richard Ibekwe

MUSICIAN The Sanctuary Choir; Daniel Schmunk, *Director of Choral Music*
Clayton Hancock, *violin and baroque violin*
Saara Luna, *piano*

COLLECTIVE PRAYERS

"...I will not forget you. Behold, I have engraved you on the palms of my hands..." Isaiah 49:15-16

Let us pray for...

- Prisoners who feel alone, lost, abandoned, and forgotten.
- Those who have been or are being wrongfully divorced, for healing and hope.
- Some residents of the North End Rehabilitation Center, including: Charlie, Alan, Esther, Anna, Madeline, John, and Harriet.
- Those experiencing illness, including: Pamela, Mary, Gary, Stuart, Lora, Zach, Ruth, Ava, Fred, Alex, Irene, Charlie, Yuna, Doris, Ernestine, Elizabeth, Karen, and Ed.
- Homebound congregants who are mainly confined to their residences, including: Alice, Barbara, Esther, Dorothy, Doug, Charlie, Penny, Peter & Lucille, Phil, Sadie, Scott, Stan, Winston, and John. *Psalm 71:9*

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

A NOTE ON THE OFFERTORY MUSIC

Heinrich Biber composed a series of sixteen sonatas centered on events in the life of Christ, and "The Resurrection" is one of these. In each of the sixteen sonatas, the violin's strings must be tuned to different notes, which is in itself extremely unusual. "The Resurrection" sonata is even more remarkable in its tuning scheme because the violin's middle strings are physically rearranged to form a cross (see below). The violin bears physical witness to Christ's death through its crossed strings, while proclaiming Christ's resurrection through its variations on an Easter hymn.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

World Relief Sunday | Sun, May 14 | *all services* | missions@parkstreet.org
World Relief, originally called the “War Relief Fund” was born out of Park Street Church in 1944 when members of our church came together to help war-torn Europe toward the end of WWII. Join them in their fight against poverty, war, and injustice—and in their disaster relief efforts by designating your gift to “World Relief.” We ask that if you support World Relief, it be separate from your regular giving to Park Street missions.

Second Sunday Meal | Sun, May 14 | *after each service*
Join us for a light meal! Could you help with serving? Contact: rwetzig@parkstreet.org.

Seminar on Marriage | Sun, May 14 & 21 | 9:45 am & 5:30 pm | *Granary Room*
This three-week seminar is for those who are married or interested in the marriage relationship, but all are welcome. We will consider the challenge of commitment in our current cultural context, how growing spiritually manifests within marriage, and the joys and difficulties of intimacy. Led by Dr. Raymond Kam.

God’s Heart of Care: Become a part of a PSC prayer, support and visitation team
Is it on your heart to care for homebound congregants, visit nursing homes or support those grieving a loved one? Email Michael Balboni: mbalboni@parkstreet.org.

Missionary Reception | Sun, May 28 | 12:30 pm | *Granary Room*
Join us to encourage and hear updates from the Fosters, PSC Bible translators serving in Mozambique. Light refreshments will be served. Catch them while they are here for one day only! Contact: missions@parkstreet.org.

Kidsweek 2023 - Stellar | Mon, Jul 10–Fri, Jul 14 | Park Street Church
Vacation Bible School: To register by Mon, Jun 12, visit parkstreet.org/kidsweek.

All-Church Camp 2023 | Wed, Aug 23–Sun, Aug 27 | *Casco, Maine*
Join us as we get away as a church family. This is a wonderful time for building relationships while enjoying the outdoors and fun activities like soccer, kayaking, crafts, swimming, tubing, fishing, and more. Register by **Sun, Jul 26: parkstreet.org/allchurchcamp**

Job Opening for Director of Human Resources at Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary
To see details and apply, visit gordonconwell.edu/employment.

Open Positions at Park Street School
Lead and Associate Elementary Teachers (2023-2024), Development Director, Elementary Director of Academics, Director of Finance. For job descriptions and to apply, email: employment@parkstreetschool.org.

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

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

College

Gabriel Avilés, *Boston University - Finance & Economics*
Samuel Bigus, *Berklee College of Music*
Grace Bo-Youn Hwang, *Emerson College - Creative Writing, BFA*
Natalie Cist, *Dickinson College - Earth Sciences, BS*
Jason Evers, *Tufts University - English & Education co-majors*
Jasmine Fu, *Simmons University - Nursing (December 2022)*
Alex Ichimura, *Northeastern University - Business Administration – Supply Chain Management*
Ana Martinez, *University of New Hampshire – Occupational Therapy*
Brian Urra Nuñez, *Berklee College of Music - Jazz Composition/Performance*
Penelope van der Meer, *University College Utrecht – Bachelor of Arts*
Beverly Vo, *Tufts University - Environmental Engineering*
Esther Xiang, *Harvard - Psychology*

Graduate School

Julie Boyd, *Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary – Master’s in Counseling (October graduate)*
María José Guerrero, *Harvard Graduate School of Education – Master’s in Education*
Erik Hendrix, *Longy School of Music – Master’s*
Maegan Hoogerhyde, *New England Conservatory - Master of Music in Vocal Pedagogy*
Clement Li, *MIT - PhD in AeroAstro*
Andrew May, *University of Cape Town – PhD in Criminal Justice*
Matheus Oliveira de Souza, *MIT & Harvard – PhD in Pharmaceutical Chemistry*
Swaroop Pidakala, *Northeastern University – Master’s in Project Management*
Abigail Smith, *Northeastern – Master’s*
Ebenezer Williams, *Northeastern – Master’s in Engineering*
CJ Yang, *Boston University School of Law*

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 hand it to an usher or drop it in the offering plate. You can also visit parkstreet.org or scan the QR code at the right. 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 (there is one today! See the "Announcements section for more details), where you can meet other newcomers and church leaders, hear about our community and ask questions. We look forward to knowing you better!

