

Service of Worship Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, July 16, 2023

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

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

All Hail The Power Of Jesus' Name

arr. David Cherwein (b. 1957)

¶ Immediately after the prelude, the People stand.

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 1 & 119

Leader Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers.

People But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.

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

People My lips shall pour forth your praise, when you have taught me your statutes.

HYMN

Nº 101 Come, Thou Almighty King

Italian Hymn

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.

 \P Greet one another in the peace of Christ. Following the Peace, the People sit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & LIFE OF THE CHURCH

THE LESSON

Luke 23:44-49

pew Bible p. 884

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 600 He Leadeth Me

¶ The People sit.

THE PSALM

31

pew Bible p. 461

¶ 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.

The Gloria Patri, or "lesser Doxology," is traditionally sung or recited at the end of psalms, in order to place them in an explicitly Trinitarian frame.

¶ Following the prayer, the People sit.

SERMON

Whose Hands Are Holding?

Damian Long

HYMN

¶ The People stand.

Nº 92 A Mighty Fortress

EIN FESTE BURG

¶ The People sit.

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

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

O Rest In The Lord from Elijah

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

O rest in the Lord, wait patiently for Him, And He shall give thee thy heart's desires.

Commit thy way unto Him, and trust in Him, And fret not thyself because of evil doers.

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

Nº 26 Tell Out My Soul

Woodlands

BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE

Fuga from Sonata VI from Op. 65, No. 6

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

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

SERVICE LEADERS AND PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, Senior Minister

Nathan Skinner, Director of Music

PREACHER Damian Long, Minister of Small Groups & Young Adults

Assisting Minister Adam Herndon, Minister to Families & Youth

Elder Linda Herman

Lay Readers 8:30 Eleanor Peltz

11:00 Sophie Wetzig

Musicians Jennifer Velazquez, guest organist

Marana Avant, mezzo-soprano

COLLECTIVE PRAYERS

"Praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints" Ephesians 6:18

Let us pray this week for...

- Gratitude, bonds of love, and unity throughout our United States of America.
- Defense of human freedoms for all Americans, and the expansion of freedoms around the globe against totalitarianism.
- Protection and virtue to cover the men and women serving in our military.
- For wisdom, discernment, and growth of our youth ministry, and the selection process of our next Youth Minister.
- Spiritual awakening in our schools, universities, and for our health professions, police and politicians, throughout Boston, and across America.

6

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Missionary Reception | Today | 12:30 pm | Granary Room

Join us for a time of hearing from W & M Lee, Park Street missionaries serving in Central Asia through disciple-making ministry.

Prayer & Fundraiser for S. Africa Short-Term Team

Prayer | Mondays Jul 31, & Aug 7 | 8:00-8:30 pm | Zoom

Pray for our short-term mission team preparing for prison work in South Africa next month. For a link, email: missions@parkstreet.org.

Fundraiser | Sun, Jul 30 | 2:00-4:00 pm

A Park Street member will guide attendees through True Colors (truecolorsintl.com), a personality tool that helps individuals recognize and value differences. Suggested donation: \$25. Register: parkstreet.org/announcements

Last Chance to Sign up for All-Church Camp | Wed, Aug 23-Sun, Aug 27 Registration closes today, July 16! Visit parkstreet.org/camp.

Volunteer English Teachers Needed | parkstreet.org/esl

Share the gospel and model the love of Jesus by teaching for a few hours each week, now through Fri, Aug 18. Contact Karen Patschke: kpatschke@parkstreet.org.

Park Street Summer Fun!

Come build relationships and have fun with the church family and youth this summer! These events are open to everyone, and youth are especially encouraged to attend. Please RSVP to facilitate planning.

Fri, Jul 28 | Beantown Ropes Course (5:30 pm) | Fuddruckers Dinner at Jordan's Furniture in Reading (7:00 pm). RSVP: ruthiema@gmail.com.

Sun, Aug 6 | Picnic & Hike at Great Brook Farm in Carlisle (1:00 pm). RSVP: jmaytaber@gmail.com.

Thu, Aug 10 | Red Sox Game (7:00 pm), \$41 per ticket. RSVP by Thu, Jul 20: vivian_lee@verizon.net.

Sat, Aug 19 | BBQ potluck at the Swint's house in Billerica (4:00 pm). RSVP by emailing: amyswint@gmail.com.

Applications for Minister of City Engagement | parkstreet.org/jobs

Park Street Church is looking for qualified applicants for the position of Minister (or Director) of City Engagement.

More at: parkstreet.org/announcements Regular updates at: parkstreet.org/enews

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, where you can meet other newcomers and church leaders, hear about our community and ask
 questions. We look forward to knowing you better!