



F.M. RINES

SERVICE *of* WORSHIP
Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, July 9, 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

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

Te Deum

Marc-Antoine Charpentier (1643-1704)

INTROIT (II am)

God is Living, God is Here

Wherefore despair? God the Lord is everywhere!
Shall he sleep when shadows darken, he who made the eye so clear?
When we cry, shall he not hearken, he who made the listening ear?
God is God the Lord, all-seeing when despair torments our being.
So, my soul, now do not fear: God is living, God is here.

Words: Laurence H. Davies (1911-1983) | Music: J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 132

Leader LORD, remember David, and all his tribulations,
How he swore unto the Almighty God of Jacob,
“I will not allow my eyes to sleep, nor my eyelids to slumber,
until I find a place for the temple of the LORD.

People **We will go into his tabernacle,
and fall low on our knees before his footstool.**

Leader Arise, O LORD, into your resting-place,
you and the ark of your strength.

People **Let your priests be clothed with righteousness,
and let your saints sing with joy.**

HYMN

N^o 167 When Morning Gilds The Skies

LAUDES DOMINI

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

THE LESSON

Matthew 27:45-50

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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.*

N^o 108 Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right

WAS GOTT TUT

¶ *The People sit.*

THE PSALM

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pew Bible p. 457

¶ *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.**

*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

Godforsakenness

Michael Balboni

HYMN

¶ *The People stand.*

No 691 It Is Well With My Soul

VILLE DU HAVRE

¶ *The People sit.*

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

(11:00 am only, 8:30 am continues on p. 6)

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.*

Minister Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support *these persons* in *their* life in Christ?

People **We will.**

¶ *The Minister then says*

Let us join with *these Candidates* to proclaim our faith in the words of the ancient baptismal confession, the Apostles' Creed.

Minister Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

People **I do. I believe in God the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Minister 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.

Minister 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 Candidates

¶ *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 candidates have been presented, the Minister leads the People in prayer, the People kneeling or sitting.*

OFFERTORY

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

Prayer of St. Theresa (11 am)

Let nothing disturb thee,
Nothing affright thee;
All things are passing;
God never changeth;
Patient endurance attaineth to all things;
Who God possesseth in nothing is wanting;
Alone God sufficeth.

Words: St. Theresa of Avila | Translated by Henry Wodsworth Longfellow

Music: David Conte (b. 1955pla)

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 660 O God beyond All Praising

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BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE

In Thee Is Gladness

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

¶ *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 Michael Balboni, *Associate Minister*

ASSISTING MINISTERS Tim Leary, *Director of Graduate Student Ministries*

Julian L., *Minister of Missions*

ELDER David Murgatroyd

LAY READERS 8:30 Randall Wetzig

11:00 Dan Verrengia

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

Jennifer Velazquez, *guest organist*

CANDIDATE FOR BAPTISM Glory Liu, *daughter of John and Tiara Liu*

COLLECTIVE PRAYERS

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

Let us pray this week for...

- The innocent who are suffering during war (Ukraine & Russia) and civil war (Afghanistan, Central African Republic, Ethiopia, Libya, Mali, Myanmar, Somalia, Syria, & Yemen).
 - Persecuted Christians, to have faith in Christ despite imprisonment, torture, & harassment.
 - Young Boston physicians as they begin medical residency in July, to be present in suffering.
 - Homebound congregants who are mainly confined to their residence including: Alice, Barbara, Esther, Dorothy, Doug, Charlie, Penny, Peter & Lucille, Phil, Sadie, Scott, Stan, Winston, and John. *Psalm 71:9*
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dinner & Updates with the Karakeys | Today | 5:30 pm | *Fellowship Hall*

Gustavo and Rochelle Karakey are PSC missionaries working in theological education in Medellín, Colombia, helping train Latin American church leaders.

Upcoming Missionary Receptions | missions@parkstreet.org

Today | 9:45 am & 12:30 pm | *Fellowship Hall*

E & G Lee, returning this month to their church planting ministry in Asia.

Sun, Jul 16 | 12:30 pm | *Granary Room*

W & M Lee, involved in a disciple-making ministry in Central Asia.

All-Church Prayer July Schedule

Sat, Jul 15 | 8:30-9:30 am | *Virtual Only (via Zoom)*

There will be no all-church prayer on Fri, Jul 21.

Sat, Jul 29 | 8:30-9:30 am | *Virtual Only (via Zoom)*

Prayer & Fundraiser for S. Africa Short-Term Team

Prayer | Mondays Jul 10, 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*, a personality tool that helps individuals recognize and value differences. Suggested donation: \$25. Register: parkstreet.org/announcements

Volunteer English Teachers Needed | parkstreet.org/esl

Please consider joining our team of ESL volunteers from now through Fri, Aug 18. Share the gospel and model the love of Jesus by teaching for a few hours each week. Contact our ESL Coordinator, Karen Patschke: kpatschke@parkstreet.org.

Last Chance to Sign up for All-Church Camp | Aug 23-27 | *Casco, ME*

Registration closes Sun, Jul 16. Visit parkstreet.org/camp for the registration link.

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 here, or by emailing: amyswint@gmail.com.

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!

