

Service of Worship
Park Street Church
The Lord's Day, September 24, 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.

INTROIT

(11 am)

God Be In My Head

God be in my head and in my understanding; God be in my eyes and in my looking; God be in my mouth and in my speaking; God be in my heart and in my thinking; God be at my end and at my departing.

Words: Sarum primer, 1514 | Music: John Rutter (b. 1945)

Immediately after the introit, the People stand.

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 33

Leader Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous; it is fitting for the just to be thankful.

People By the word of the Lord were the heavens made, and all the hosts of them by the breath of his mouth.

Leader Praise the Lord with the harp; sing praises unto him with the ten-stringed lute.

People Let all the earth fear the Lord; stand in awe of him, all you that dwell in the world.

Leader Sing unto him a new song; make skillful melody and cry aloud with joy.

People For he spoke, and it was done; he commanded and it stood fast.

HYMN

 $N^{\mbox{\tiny Ω}}$ 115 All Creatures of Our God and King

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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

ANTHEM

How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place (11 am)

How lovely is thy dwelling place, O Lord of Hosts!

For my soul, it longeth, yea fainteth,

for the courts of the Lord.

My soul and body crieth out, yea for the living God.

How lovely is thy dwelling place, O Lord of Hosts!

Blest are they that dwell within thy house;

they praise thy name evermore.

How lovely is thy dwelling place!

Words: Psalm 84: 1,2, 4 | Music: Johannes Brahms (1833-1897))

THE LESSON

I Samuel 21:7-22:5

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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.

Nº 508 Jesus, Lover Of My Soul

Aberystwyth

¶ The People sit.

THE PSALM

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¶ 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

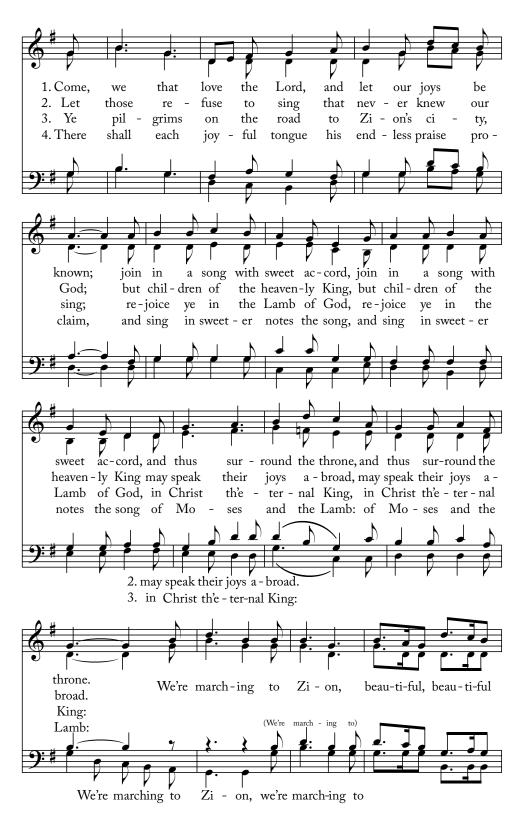
Under His Wings

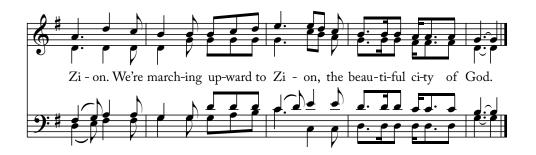
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HYMN

¶ The People stand.

Come We That Love The Lord (next page)





Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748) & William Hammond (1719-1783) | Music: 1867 | Robert Lowry (1826-1899)

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.

Grave, from Concertino (based on Sonatas of G. Tartini) Gordon Jacob (1895–1984)

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 598 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Cwm Rhondda

BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE

March Romaine (by request)

C. Gounod (1818-1893)

 \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 Julian L., Minister of Missions

Assisting Ministers Damian Long, Minister to Small Groups & Young Adults

Elders 8:30 Geoffrey Raux

11:00 Nick Dedeke

Lay Readers 8:30 Richard Ibekwe

11:00 Josephine Ziegler

Musicians The Sanctuary Choir; Daniel Schmunk, Director of Choral Music

Hannah Tam, clarinet

A complete staff directory can be found at parkstreet.org/about-us/staff

COLLECTIVE PRAYERS

"They ought always to pray and not lose heart...And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" Luke 18:1-8

Let us pray together...

- For the missionaries connected with Park Street Church: that they would experience the good news of Jesus' lordship and redeeming work themselves and so be able to share it with others.
- For those experiencing a storm of destruction, whether it be from natural causes, from other people, or from their own sin: that they would call out to God and that he would save them.
- That God's glory would be seen around the earth in the discoveries of science and the small wonders of his creation (for example, the amazing dome and reflection of light on the surface of a drop of water).

Send your prayer requests to pastoralcare@parkstreet.org or call 617-523-3383

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Short-Term Mission Team Panels | Today | After all services

Hear stories from this summer's STM! Members of the Central Asia; Middle East; Japan; Revere Beach, MA; Lewiston, ME; and South Africa teams are eager to share their experiences with you.

Gospel in Community: Grace Changes Everything | Sun, Oct 8, 15, 22 & 29 | 9:45 am & 5:45 pm | Park Street Church

Join us for a 4-week video and discussion series on the gospel and how it is lived out in all of life—in your heart, your community, your campus, your workplace, your world. We'll listen to a brief video message from Tim Keller (NYC pastor), and engage in discussion with those who live in your region around Boston.

Small Group Sign-Up is Open | Until Sun, Oct 1

If you are new to the church, or have been at Park Street and are looking for deeper connection with others, learn more at parkstreet.org/small-groups.

Pray for the Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee is asking for prayer as they search for and meet with potential church candidates to fill moderator elect, elder, and various church officer roles. May God bring the people of his choosing forward to fill these roles, discernment to understand his will, and that we will follow as he leads us. We also ask for his protection for us and our families.

Artists' Fellowship | Sun, Oct 1 | after the 11:00 am service | Upper Sky Room

Visual artists, join us for a light lunch! Discussion will be based on readings and-viewing artworks. For info or to RSVP, please contact: loistandersen@gmail.com.

Life Together Women's Bible Study | Wednesdays | 10:00 -11:30am | PSC

Join an intergenerational women's small group studying God's redemption story throughout the New Testament and learning spiritual practices to cultivate your relationship with God. Childcare provided. Register: parkstreet.org/announcements.

Wakefield Womens' Bible Study | Tue, Oct 3 | 9:30 - 11:00 am | First Parish Congregational Church in Wakefield

Join us for fellowship and study as we explore the book of Revelation. Childcare is available. Contact: jbmanola@gmail.com, or Julianne.s.johnston@gmail.com.

Piano Trio Concert | Fri, Oct 13 | 7:30pm | Sanctuary

Join us for an evening of piano trios by Beethoven, Brahms, and more, performed by acclaimed artists Amy Galluzzo (violin), Carol Ou (cello), and Yu-Mei Wei (piano). This is the first in a group of concerts celebrating our new Steinway piano in the sanctuary, recently donated by a member of the church (additional concert dates coming soon).

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 to 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.
- 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!