



F.M. RINES

SERVICE *of* WORSHIP
Park Street Church
The Lord's Day, January 21, 2024

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.*

Grand Chœur Triomphal, Op. 47, No. 2

Alexandre Guilmant (1837–1911)

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 at the conclusion of the Introit, the People stand.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 92

Leader It is a good thing to give thanks unto the LORD,
and to sing praises unto your Name, O Most High.

People **To tell of your loving-kindness early in the morning,
and of your faithfulness in the night season,**

Leader Upon an instrument of ten strings and upon the lute,
with the sound of melody upon the harp.

People **For you LORD, have made me glad by your deeds,
and I will shout for joy because of your handiwork.**

HYMN

N^o 457 Come Thou Fount

NETTLETON

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
(II am)

O Lord, Increase Our Faith

O Lord, increase our faith,
strengthen us and confirm us in thy faith;
endue us with wisdom, charity, chastity, and patience,
in all our adversities.
Sweet Jesus, say Amen.

Music: Henry Loosemore (1607–1670)

THE FIRST LESSON

Proverbs 3:1-12

pew Bible p. 528

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 603 He Who Would Valiant Be

ST. DUNSTANS

¶ *The People sit.*

THE SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 12:1-11

pew Bible p. 1008

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

Accepting Our Course

Mark Booker

HYMN

¶ *The People stand.*

Nº 689 Be Still My Soul

FINLANDIA

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.*

Andante tranquillo, *from Sonata III in A Major* F. Mendelssohn (1809–1947)

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

N^o 384 Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing SICILIAN MARINERS

BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE

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

Lauda Anima (*Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*) W. T. Allen (1926–2016)

SERVICE LEADERS AND PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, *Senior Minister*

Nathan Skinner, *Director of Music*

ASSISTING MINISTER Damian Long, *Minister of Community*

ELDERS/CANDIDATES 8:30 Daniel Vogelzang, *Elder-candidate*
11:00 Leslie Liu, *Elder-candidate*

LAY READERS 8:30 Christine Vasko
11:00 Sophie Wetzig

MUSICIANS The Sanctuary Choir; Daniel Schmunk, *Director of Choral Music*
Jennifer Velazquez, *guest organist*

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

COLLECTIVE PRAYERS

*“So we can confidently say, ‘The Lord is my helper; I will not fear;
what can man do to me?’” Hebrews 13:6*

Let us pray together...

- For those attending the New Members’ class, that the Lord would make it clear to them if Park Street is the local church body to which he is calling them.
- For the upcoming annual meeting, that God’s will would be done and the church would be bound together in unity, love, and truth.
- For the United States as we enter into the presidential election season; that God would have mercy on this country and that his people would know how to walk in and be reflections of his light.
- That God would increasingly draw people to himself through dreams, visions, and the witness of his followers in the midst of suffering and war around the world.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adult Christian Formation Classes

The Book of Amos | Jan 21, Jan 28, Feb 4 & Feb 11 | 9:45 am

Come explore key themes of the book of Amos in this informal, interactive, four-week Christian Formation series led by Pastor Julian L.

Shepherding a Small Group | Jan 21, Jan 28 & Feb 4 | 9:45 am & 5:30 pm

Led by Pastor Damian Long. If you are interested in launching a small group, or if you want to learn strategies for growing your small group in depth, this class is for you. There is no commitment to lead a new group afterwards.

Short-Term Missions Information Meetings | Sun, Jan 28 | 9:45 am (*Fellowship Hall*), 12:30 pm (*Missions Conference Room*), and 5:30 pm (*Granary Room*)

Attend our Short-Term Mission (STM) information meetings to learn about our 2024 STMs. Consider serving alongside our missionaries and partners locally or globally to support their long-term work. All are welcome to attend, with no commitment required. This year we are hoping to send out teams to the Middle East; Lewiston, ME; Kenya; South Africa; Revere Beach; Japan; and Tajikistan. See parkstreet.org/short-term-missions for more info and to apply. Questions? Contact missions@parkstreet.org.

Missionary Housing and Vehicles Needed

We are in need of temporary housing and vehicles to borrow for three missionary families that will be with us later this year - a family of four and a family of five in June/July, and a family of three from August through October. Please contact the Missions Office at missions@parkstreet.org if you or someone you know might be able to help.

Mark Your Calendar for the 2024 Annual Meeting | Sun, Feb 25 | PSC

Candidate Slate for 2024 Annual Meeting

The slate of nominees for the upcoming annual meeting can be viewed on the Church Center app or at parkstreet.org/candidates.

Please Save Your Used Stamps and Christmas Cards

The Woman's Benevolent Society (WBS) will "upcycle" your canceled stamps and Christmas cards to support ministries. Please drop them in the Ockenga Lobby.

For more details and for registration links, please visit:
parkstreet.org/announcements

Sign up for 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.



PARK STREET CHURCH