

SERVICE *of* WORSHIP  
Park Street Church  
The Lord's Day, March 17, 2024  
*The Fifth Sunday in Lent*

***Welcome** to Park Street Church! We're glad you're worshipping 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.*

*Purple is the traditional color of preparation and penitence, and is used during the seasons of Advent and Lent. Purple was historically the color of kings (the dye was extremely costly) so the color also emphasizes the royalty of Jesus (cf. John 19).*

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## THE PRELUDE

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

Lamb of God

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

## INTROIT

(11 am)

Lighten Our Darkness

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord;  
and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this life;  
for the love of thy only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ.

*Amen.*

Words: Gelasian Sacramentary (8th century) | Music: 2007, Alexander L'Estrange (b. 1974)

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

*from Psalm 69*

*Leader* Save me, O God, for the waters have come up even to my neck.

*People* I have come into deep waters, so that the floods run over me.

*Leader* But, LORD, I make my prayer to you in an acceptable time.

Hear me, O God, in the multitude of your mercy.

*People* Draw near to me and save me; O deliver me because of my enemies.

*Leader* I will praise the Name of God with a song,  
and magnify it with thanksgiving.

*People* Let heaven and earth praise him,  
for God will save Zion and build the cities of Judah,  
and those who love his Name shall dwell therein.

HYMN

Nº 258 Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted

O MEIN JESU

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

### ANTHEM

(11 am)

Lazarus (*World Premier*)

Before your own death, O Christ,

You raised from death, Lazarus who was four days dead.

For you have shaken the dominion of Death.

Through this one man whom you loved,


You have foretold the deliverance of all from corruption.

We therefore worship you and cry:

Blessed are you O Saviour.

Have mercy on us.

Words: Byzantine hymn for Lazarus Saturday | Music: 2023, Jeff Junkinsmith (b.1956)

 *Note: The anthem was commissioned by the music ministry for today's service. Eastern Churches celebrate Lazarus' resurrection on the day before Palm Sunday in preparation for Holy Week and Easter. This mirrors Jesus spending the Sabbath before his own death with the man he had raised from the dead (John 12).*

### THE FIRST LESSON


*Ezekiel 47:1-12*

*per Bible p. 734*


*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.*

Hymn to God the Father



1. Wilt thou for - give that sin where I be - gun,  
2. Wilt thou for - give that sin by which I won  
3. I have a sin of fear, that when I've spun



which was my sin, though it were done be - fore? \_\_\_\_\_  
 o - thers to sin, and made my sin their door? \_\_\_\_\_  
 my last thread, I shall per - ish on the shore; but



Wilt thou for-give that sin, through which I run,  
 Wilt thou for-give that sin which I did shun  
 swear by thy-self, that at my death thy Son



and do run still, though still I do de - plore?  
 a year or two, but wal - lowed in, a score?  
 shall shine as he shines now, and here - to - fore;



When thou hast done, thou hast not done, for I have more.  
 When thou hast done, thou hast not done, for I have more.  
 and, hav - ing done that, thou hast done; I fear no more.

Words: John Donne (1573-1631)

Music: *Donne* | John Hilton (1599-1657)

♩ *The People sit.*

## THE SECOND LESSON

*Revelation 22:1-5*

*perw Bible p. 1041*

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## THE GLORIA PATRI

♩ *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.

¶ *Following the prayer, the People sit.*

## SERMON

From Relief to Renewal

Walter Kim

## HYMN

¶ *The People stand.*

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

KINGSFOLD



1. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;  
2. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give  
3. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's Light;



lay down, O wea-ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast."  
the liv-ing wa-ter; thirst - y one, stoop down and drink, and live."  
look un-to me, your morn shall rise, and all your days be bright."



I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea-ry, worn, and sad;  
I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;  
I looked to Je - sus and I found in him my Star, my Sun;



I found in him a rest-ing place, and he has made me glad.  
my thirst was quenched, my soul re-vived, and now I live in him.  
and in that light of life I'll walk, till trav'l-ing days are done.

Words: Horatius Bonar (1808-1889)

Music: Kingsfold, *English carol* | adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

¶ *The People sit.*

## TESTIMONY

### 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, *from Concerto No. 2*

D. Shostakovich (1906–1975)

### 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 155 O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

DEO GRACIAS

### BENEDICTION

### THE POSTLUDE

Out of the Deep

J. S. Bach (1685–1750)

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

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## SERVICE LEADERS AND PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, *Senior Minister*

Nathan Skinner, *Director of Music*

GUEST PREACHER   Walter Kim, *President of the National Association of Evangelicals*

ELDERS   8:30   Andrew Ziegler

11:00   Jason Abraham, *Moderator*

LAY READERS   8:30   Margaret Diffenderfer

11:00   Emma Verrengia

MUSICIANS   The Sanctuary Choir; Daniel Schmunk, *Director of Choral Music*  
Simon Chang, *piano*

TESTIMONY   8:30   Simon Fowler

11:00   Simon Fowler & Maria Harmon

A complete staff directory can be found at [parkstreet.org/about-us/staff](http://parkstreet.org/about-us/staff)

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## HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES

**PALM SUNDAY** Worship Services 8:30 am, 11:00 am, & 4:00 pm  
*March 24* Organ Recital 12:30 pm (25 minutes; see announcement)

**WEDNESDAY** Midweek Lenten Service  
*March 27* 12:15 pm

**MAUNDY THURSDAY** Communion Service  
*March 28* 7:30 pm

**GOOD FRIDAY** Worship Services  
*March 29* Noon & 7:30 pm

**EASTER DAY** Worship Services  
*March 31* 9:00 am & 11:00 am | Music by choir & orchestra  
4:00 pm | Music by Sunday Night Band

More details about each service, volunteer sign-ups, and information about childcare can be found at [parkstreet.org/easter](http://parkstreet.org/easter).

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## COLLECTIVE PRAYERS

*"Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words."*

*Romans 8:26*

### Let us pray together...

- For peace throughout the world, that those acting in anger and retribution would experience the mercy of God and so be able to have mercy on others.
- That God would continue to enable World Relief as they lead churches in the work of creating lasting change in communities around the world.
- For the city of Boston, that Mayor Michelle Wu and other leaders would have wisdom in enacting fair policies for the good of all.
- For Park Street Church, that Boston would know we are Christ's disciples because of our love for one another.

Send your prayer requests to [pastoralcare@parkstreet.org](mailto:pastoralcare@parkstreet.org) or call 617-523-338

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## RESULTS OF THE 2024 ANNUAL MEETING

The 2024 Annual Meeting was held on Sunday, February 25, beginning at 12:45 pm. Summaries of the results are as follows:

### CANDIDATES ELECTED

#### Board of Elders (3-year term unless otherwise noted)

- Julie Halvorsen (2-year term)
- Richard Ibekwe
- Leslie Liu (re-elected)
- Daniel Vogelzang
- Joshua Wang
- Steven Weibley (1-year term)

#### Officers

- Deborah Gallagher, Clerk (re-elected; 2025)
- Gregg Hansen, Assistant Treasurer (re-elected; 2025)
- Gabriel Ling, Treasurer (re-elected; 2025)
- Geoffrey Raux, Moderator-Elect (2025)
- Julianne White, Missions Treasurer (2025)

#### Nominating Committee (3-year term)

- Lyford Beverage
- John Carlson
- Tom Kane
- Bryan Robinson

For a full list of current elders officers (including those who are continuing terms), visit: [parkstreet.org/about-us/elders/](https://parkstreet.org/about-us/elders/)

### BUDGETS

- Ministry and Operations 2024 Budget – Approved
- Missions 2024 Budget – Approved

### SENIOR MINISTER AFFIRMATION

Motion: “The members affirm Mark Booker’s calling as our Senior Minister at Park Street Church.” – Affirmed

### PETITIONS FOR AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS

- Bylaw Amendments Proposed by Petition 1 Signers (five proposed amendments) – Not Approved
- Bylaw Amendments Proposed by Petition 2 Signers (two proposed amendments) – Not Approved

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Reception for Walter & Toni Kim | Today | 12:30 pm | *Welcome Center***

Join us after the 11:00 am service to hear from guest preacher Dr. Walter Kim and his wife, Toni. They will be sharing about their ministry with the National Association of Evangelicals (NAE). Walter and Toni are both former PSC ministers.

### **Benefit World Relief by Purchasing a Hand-Made Card! | Today | *Ockenga Lobby***

Artists' Fellowship members have created hand-made cards that are available for purchase at a table in the Ockenga Lobby. 100% of proceeds will be donated to World Relief. For information or to order more cards, email Lois at [loistandersen@gmail.com](mailto:loistandersen@gmail.com).

### **Nursery Volunteers Needed for Holy Week & Easter Services**

Nursery volunteers are needed to help with Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and all Easter services. If you are willing to help, please sign up at the link found at [parkstreet.org/easter](http://parkstreet.org/easter).

### **Lenten Discipleship Initiative/World Relief 80th Anniversary**

LDI continues with World Relief's devotional, "He Was There," which considers how believers can walk in the footsteps of Jesus. It's not too late to join a group. Visit [parkstreet.org/ldi](http://parkstreet.org/ldi) for more information and view the map on page 15 of this bulletin to see where your Regional Fellowship meets each Sunday.

### **Midweek Lenten Services | Wednesdays until Mar 27 | 12:15 pm | *Sanctuary***

Join us on your lunch break for a 30-minute service of prayer, reflection on scripture, and hymns. Services will also be streamed at [parkstreet.org/live](http://parkstreet.org/live).

### **Give to World Relief with Fasting Envelopes | Feb 11 - Mar 30**

Learn more about the history of fasting envelopes at [parkstreet.org/ldi](http://parkstreet.org/ldi). Envelopes can be picked up in the Welcome Center. You can also donate online or through the Church Center App.

### **Palm Sunday Organ Recital | Sun, Mar 24 | 12:30pm**

Director of Music Nathan Skinner will perform Julius Reubke's *Sonata on Psalm 94*. This highly dramatic piece in four movements (25 minutes) explores the depths of emotion expressed in the psalmist's cry for God to vindicate his people.

### **Easter Memorial Flowers | Order by Sun, Mar 24**

Please fill out the form found at [parkstreet.org/easter](http://parkstreet.org/easter) if you would like to order flowers to decorate the sanctuary on Easter Sunday in memory of a loved one. Payment can be made by check or online.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Annual Easter Egg Hunt | Sat, Mar 30 | 10:00 am | *Arnold Arboretum***

Join us for our Annual Easter egg hunt! We will meet just inside the Walter St. gate at 10:00am. The Arnold Arboretum is accessible by both public transportation (Forest Hills stop on the Orange Line) and by car (plenty of street parking on Walter St). Please register children who will participate in the egg hunt (adults do not need to register) by Sun, Mar 24. Registration can be found at [parkstreet.org/events](http://parkstreet.org/events).

### **Easter Celebration - Bring Your Best Baked Goods!**

To make our Easter Sunday festivities even more special, we invite you to contribute a favorite baked good, dessert, or finger food to share at one of our post-service receptions. Please plan to bring your contributions at one of the following times before Easter Sunday:

- **Sun, Mar 24** (Palm Sunday), before any service, to the Welcome Center kitchen (for items that can withstand a longer stay in the fridge/freezer)
- **Sat, Mar 30**, 10 am - 1 pm, to the Granary Room kitchen

Though not preferred, we can accept contributions on Sun, Mar 31 (Easter Sunday) before each service, to the Fellowship Hall kitchen. Black serving trays will be available for pickup on Sun, Mar 24.

*More details at: [parkstreet.org/announcements](http://parkstreet.org/announcements)*

*For regular updates: [parkstreet.org/enews](http://parkstreet.org/enews)*

WORLD RELIEF 80<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY:  
LOOKING BACK & LOOKING FORWARD



The following announcement appeared in the bulletin on September 24, 1944:

**N. A. E. War Relief Campaign.** At the suggestion of Dr. Ockenga the N. A. E. has launched a great nation-wide campaign for clothing and money to aid the stricken peoples of Europe before the colds of winter come. All of us have clothing which we do not use but which is usable. Next week we will announce the plan of this church's participation. All money and material collected by N. A. E. will be distributed through Evangelical Christian organizations, thus enhancing the influence of the Gospel by humanitarian work. Examine your closets, cedar chests, and attics this week.

As you fast during Lent, please consider this week's prayer request from World Relief:

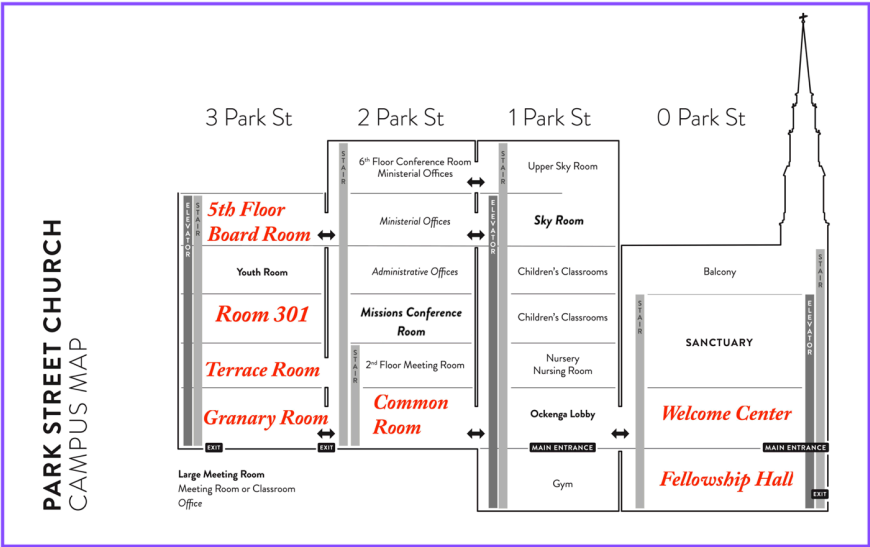
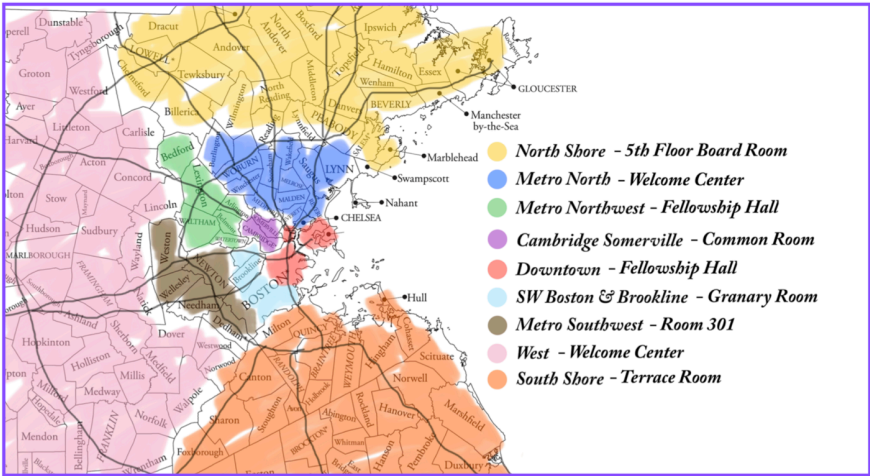
Pray for World Relief Kenya as the country faces one of the most severe drought crises in modern African history, disproportionately impacting the historically marginalized region of Turkana.

The crisis is compounded by the fact that 80% of Kenya's population of 47 million live in rural areas, with most dependent on subsistence agriculture. Since the start of the drought, child malnutrition in Turkana has risen from 14% to 30%, while 60-80% of livestock have died from thirst and starvation.

# LDI 2024: World Relief

## Meeting Locations

- 1. Find your Regional Fellowship on the map of MA
- 2. Find your meeting location on the church map



## 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](http://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.



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