

Service of Worship
Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, July 28, 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 to prepare us in body and mind to enter the presence of God.

Waltz in A Major

J. Brahms (1833–1897)

¶ Immediately at the conclusion of the Prelude, the People stand.

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 107

Leader O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious, and his mercy endures for ever.

People Let the redeemed of the Lord give thanks, whom he has delivered from the hand of the enemy.

Leader Oh, that they would praise the Lord for his goodness, and declare the wonders that he does for the children of men.

People Let us offer unto him the sacrifice of thanksgiving and tell of his works with gladness!

HYMN

Nº 2 O Worship The King (stanzas 1–5)

Lyons

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

THE LESSON

Colossians 4:2-6

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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



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¶ The People sit.

THE PSALM

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pew Bible p. 516

¶ 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

Watchful, Wise, Witness

Scott Sunquist

HYMN

¶ The People stand.

Nº 644 May the Mind of Christ My Savior

St. Leonards

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.

Intermezzo in E-flat Major

J. Brahms (1833-1897)

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° 32 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE

¶ The People may sit or leave quietly during the postlude. Please be respectful of those listening to the music in the sanctuary or via the livestream.

Antiphon V: How Fair and How Pleasant Art Thou Marcel Dupré (1886–1971)

SERVICE LEADERS & PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, Senior Minister Nathan Skinner, Director of Music

PREACHER Scott Sunquist, President of Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary

Assisting Minister Randall Wetzig, Assistant Minister

Elders 8:30 Geoffrey Raux, Moderator-elect

11:00 Mary Harvey

Lay Readers 8:30 Peg Diffenderfer

11:00 Linda Hemphill

Musicians Jennifer Velázquez, guest organist

Gabriel and Jane Ling, piano

COLLECTIVE PRAYERS

"Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving." Colossians 4:2

Let us pray together...

- For the team of youth going this week to Lewiston, Maine, that the Lord would work in them and through them.
- For the ongoing search for a minister to internationals, that God would give wisdom to the search committee and bring the right candidate quickly.
- For our church body, that God would give us wisdom as we seek to be healed and to move forward in our call to make disciples who become like Jesus together.

Submit prayer requests to: parkstreet.org/requestprayer (or call 617-523-3383).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Informational Session | Sun Aug 11 at 1pm | Sanctuary

The Board of Elders will be sharing about their collective heart and vision for the church and addressing some of the recurring issues raised in the processing sessions held throughout June. Representatives from the Vicinage Council and VOCA will also be present to speak about their work.

All-Church Prayer | Fri Aug 2, 7pm-9pm | Welcome Center

The theme on Friday will be "A Kingdom that Cannot be Shaken," focusing on encouraging each other in God's Kingdom promises. Join the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Saturday morning prayer via Zoom (parkstreet.org/acp), 8:30am–9:30 am.

Join the Welcome Team

Do you remember being welcomed when you first came to Park Street? Now is your chance to welcome others into this branch of the worshiping family of God. Join the Welcome Team and greet at the front doors one Sunday a month. Greeters are especially needed at the 8:30 am service. Email Randall (rwetzig@parkstreet.org) for more information.

Opening for a full-time Facilities Sexton

Find the full job description at **parkstreet.org/jobs**. Send a resume and cover letter to Mike Ahearn at **mahearn@parkstreet.org**.

Job Opportunities at Park Street School

Park Street School is seeking to fill the roles of several administrative and teaching positions for the 2024-2025 school year. Please email employment@parkstreetschool.org for application instructions.

Boston Fellows Program

Sep 2024 – May 2025 | Apply by Aug 1

9-month program for mid-career professionals to cultivate insights and spiritual habits for meaningful vocation. Visit **bostonfellows.com** or contact Kelly Madden at **kelly.madden@bostonfellows.com** for more info.

Park Street Readers

Are you looking for a good summer read during the lazy days of summer? One of our church library's new titles is, *The Other Half of Church: Christian Community, Brain Science, and Overcoming Spiritual Stagnation*, recommended by one of

our missionaries recently. Or you might enjoy an older book, *A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23*, if you are following along with the summer sermon series. We hope to see you in the library!

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.
- 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!

