

SERVICE *of* WORSHIP

Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, August 25, 2024

***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.*

THE PRELUDE

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

INTROIT

(II AM)

Jesu, Lead My Footsteps Ever

Jesu, lead my footsteps ever; ever all my senses guide.
From all ills my doings sever; put all else than thee aside!
Jesu let thy grace attend me; from all evil e'er defend me.

Words: Picander, translated by C. S. Terry | Music: J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 103

Leader Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.

People Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits,

Leader Who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,

People Who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,

Leader Who satisfies you with good
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's

People Bless the Lord, all his works, in all places of his dominion.
Bless the Lord, O my soul!

HYMN

Nº 535 O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

Ebenezer

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 FIRST LESSON

Exodus 17:8-13

pew Bible p. 59

Reader The Word of the Lord.

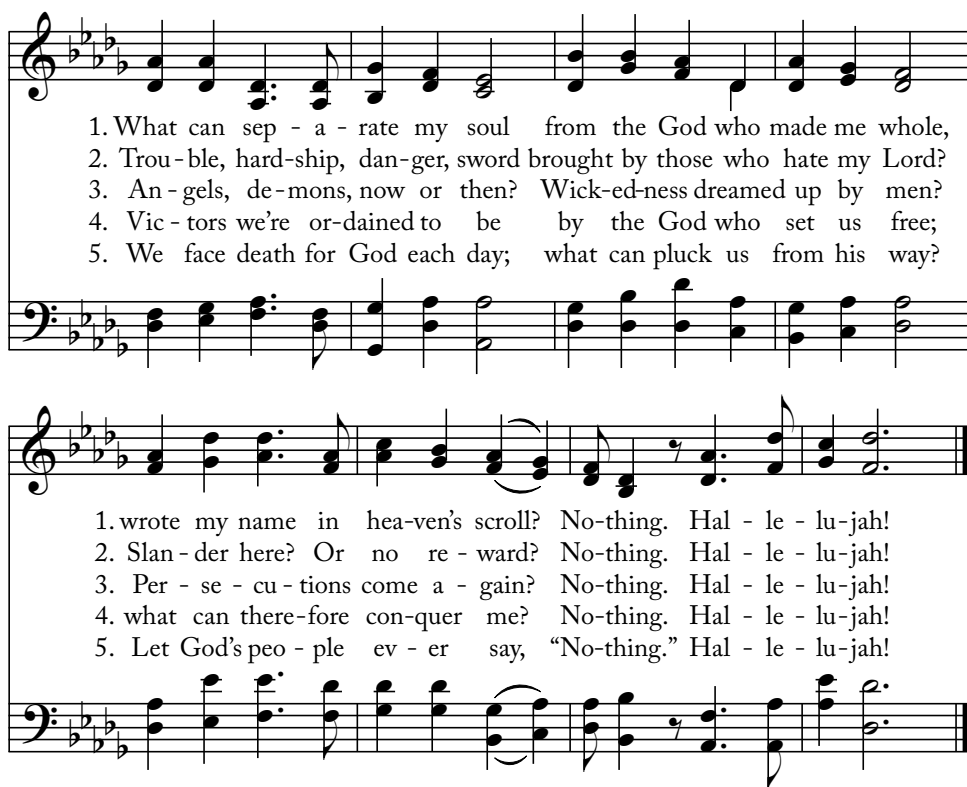
People Thanks be to God.

HYMN

¶ *A Minister prays for the Children. The People stand; Children are dismissed to Children's Church during the hymn.*

What Can Separate My Soul (*next page*)

PERSEVERANCE



1. What can sep - a - rate my soul from the God who made me whole,
 2. Trou - ble, hard - ship, dan - ger, sword brought by those who hate my Lord?
 3. An - gels, de - mons, now or then? Wick - ed - ness dreamed up by men?
 4. Vic - tors we're or - dained to be by the God who set us free;
 5. We face death for God each day; what can pluck us from his way?

1. wrote my name in hea - ven's scroll? No - thing. Hal - le - lu - jah!
 2. Slan - der here? Or no re - ward? No - thing. Hal - le - lu - jah!
 3. Per - se - cu - tions come a - gain? No - thing. Hal - le - lu - jah!
 4. what can there - fore con - quer me? No - thing. Hal - le - lu - jah!
 5. Let God's peo - ple ev - er say, "No - thing." Hal - le - lu - jah!

Words: 1999 | James Montgomery Boice (1938-2000) *based on Romans 8:35-39*

Music: *Perseverance*, 1999 | Paul S. Jones (b. 1969)

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 *The People sit.*

THE SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 6:10-20

pew Bible p. 979

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

Pray and Keep Alert

Mark Booker

HYMN

¶ *The People stand to sing, sitting afterward.*

Nº 567 Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray

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

(II AM)

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

Venite (Ps. 95:1-7)

Anthony Piccolo (b. 1953)

O come, let us sing unto the Lord:
Let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving:
And show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God: and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are all the corners of the earth:
And the strength of the hills is his also.
The sea is his, and he made it: and his hands prepared the dry land.

O come, let us worship and fall down:
And kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is the Lord our God: and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.

*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.*

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 295 Crown Him with Many Crowns

DIADEMATA

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.*

Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals

S. Karg-Elert (1877-1933)

SERVICE LEADERS & PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, *Senior Minister*

Nathan Skinner, *Director of Music*

ASSISTING MINISTER Randall Wetzig, *Assistant Minister*

ELDER Andrew Ziegler

LAY READERS 8:30 Alex Ichimura
 11:00 Josephine Ziegler

TESTIMONY Alana Howland

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

COLLECTIVE PRAYERS

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

Let us pray together...

- For relationships built at our church camp this week, that in community we would grow to become like Jesus together.
- For small groups and Bible studies as they reconvene or begin for the first time this fall, that they would be places in which we not only hear, but learn to apply God’s word in our lives and to obey his good instruction.
- That the Holy Spirit would enable Christians around the world to worship God in spirit and in truth.
- That God would draw each of us into his mission of reconciling and renewing the world, whether it be on a distant shore or with the few feet around our homes.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kickoff Sunday

Sun, Sep 8

Come explore and learn how you can be a part of what’s happening at Park Street this year! Meals will be served after each service and ministries will be sharing at tables in the Welcome Center. Also, everyone will have the chance to become an expert on our buildings—from the Gym to the Sky Room—with an all-church game called “Passport to Park Street.”

Youth Fall Kickoff Event

Fri, Sep 6 | 7 – 9 pm | Boda Borg—90 Pleasant St, Malden, MA

Join us for the Fall kick-off at Boda Borg! We will meet at Boda Borg to spend 2 hours of non-stop questing and seeking a group of winners while having tons of fun! Friends are welcome, but you must register them and pay the fee. The fee is \$28 per person and you can register on Church Center. Registration closes August 29 at 2 pm, no exceptions.

DivorceCare Fall Semester

Thu, Sep 12 | 6:30 pm | Zoom

Divorced or separated? Biblically-based DivorceCare class starts Thu Sep 12 and meets online. Register at divorcecare@parkstreet.org.

Small Group Session with the Elders

Thu, Aug 29 | 7 pm | *Granary Room*

Come with your questions and feedback for the Elders following the Informational Session held on August 11.

Join the Family Ministry Team

Would you like to help our younger congregants learn about the love and grace of God? Are you available to help by serving once a month, maybe more? Then join the Family Ministry Volunteer Team. We could use your help in the nursery, children's church, Sunday school, and youth ministry. If interested email families@parkstreet.org.

Job Opening at Boston Center for Pregnancy Choices

Boston Center for Pregnancy Choices is seeking to fill the part-time role of Business Administrator. Email info@bostonpregnancychoices.org for a description and to apply.

Opening for a full-time Facilities Sexton

Find the full job description as well as a complete list of job postings at parkstreet.org/jobs. Send a resume and cover letter to Mike Ahearn at mahearn@parkstreet.org

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!



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