



SERVICE *of* HOLY COMMUNION

Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, September 1, 2024

11 am

***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 pилcrow 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.*

Andante Tranquillo

Percy Whitlock (1903–1946)

INTROIT

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

Nº 457 Come Thou Fount

NETTLETON

INVOCATION & 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


Matthew 6:25-34

pew Bible p. 811

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.*

O Day of Rest and Gladness

WOODBIRD



1. O day of rest and glad - ness, O day of joy and
2. This day at the cre - a - tion, the light first had its
3. To - day on wea - ry na - tions the heav'n - ly man - na
4. The Light our hope sus - tain - ing, we walk the pil - grim



light, O balm of care and sad - ness, most
birth; this day for our sal - va - tion Christ
falls; to ho - ly con - vo - ca - tions the
way, at length our rest at - tain - ing, our



beau - ti - ful, most bright; on thee the high and
rose from depths of earth; this day our Lord vic -
sil - ver trum - pet calls, where gos - pel light is
end - less Sab - bath day. We sing to thee our



low - ly, through a - ges joined in tune, sing,
to - rious the Spi - rit sent from heav'n, and
glow - ing with pure and ra - diant beams, and
prais - es, O Fa - ther, Spi - rit, Son; the



“Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,” to the great God Tri - une.
thus this day most glo - rious a tri - ple light was giv’n.
liv - ing wa - ter flow - ing, with soul - re - fresh - ing streams.
Church her voice up - rais - es to thee, blest Three in One.

Words: sts. 1-3, Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885), alt.; st. 4, Hymnal 1982

Music: *Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*, traditional German

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¶ *The People sit.*

THE PSALM

119:57-72

pew Bible p. 513

¶ *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

The Priority of the Kingdom

Mark Booker

HYMN

¶ *The People stand.*

№ 131 Children of the Heavenly Father (*sts. 1-5*)

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¶ *The People sit.*

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Exhortation

Profession of the One Faith

Question Do you renounce the devil and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the empty promises and deadly deceits of this world that corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the sinful desires of the flesh that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and confess him as your Lord and Savior?

Answer I do.

Question Do you joyfully receive the Christian Faith, as revealed in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments?

Answer I do.

Question Will you obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in them all the days of your life?

Answer I will, with the Lord's help.

¶ *The People stand.*

Minister Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support *these persons* in *their* life in Christ?

People **We will.**

¶ *The Minister then says*

Let us join with *these Candidates* to proclaim our faith in the words of the ancient baptismal confession, the Apostles' Creed.

Minister Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

People I do. I believe in God the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

Minister Do you believe and trust in Jesus Christ?

People I do. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Minister Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

People I do. I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayer for the Candidates

¶ *The Minister prays, concluding with*

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

¶ *The People sit.*

The Baptism

____, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

____, do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, to fight bravely under his banner against the world, the flesh, and the devil, and to continue as his faithful soldier and servant to the end of your days. **Amen.**

The Presentation

THE PRAYERS

¶ *After the candidates have been presented, the Minister leads the People in prayer, the People kneeling or sitting.*

CONFESSION OF SIN

from Psalm 51

Have mercy on me, O God,
 according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy
 blot out my transgressions.
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
 and cleanse me from my sin.
For I know my transgressions,
 and my sin is ever before me.
Against you, you only, have I sinned
 and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you may be justified in your words
 and blameless in your judgment.
Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,
 and in sin did my mother conceive me.
Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being,
 and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart.
Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
 wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
Let me hear joy and gladness;
 let the bones that you have broken rejoice.
Hide your face from my sins,
 and blot out all my iniquities.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with a willing spirit.

OFFERTORY

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

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

My Shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is his name;
in pastures fresh he makes me feed beside the living stream.
He brings my wandering spirit back when I forsake his ways,
and leads me, for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.
When I walk thru the shades of death, thy presence is my stay;
a word of thy supporting breath drives all my fears away.
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread;
my cup with blessings overflows; thine oil anoints my head.
The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days;
O may thy house be mine abode, and all my work be praise!
There would I find a settled rest (while others go and come),
No more a stranger or a guest, but like a child at home.

Words: Psalm 23 para. Isaac Watts (1674–1748) | Music: Traditional American arr. Mack Wilberg (b. 1955)

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.

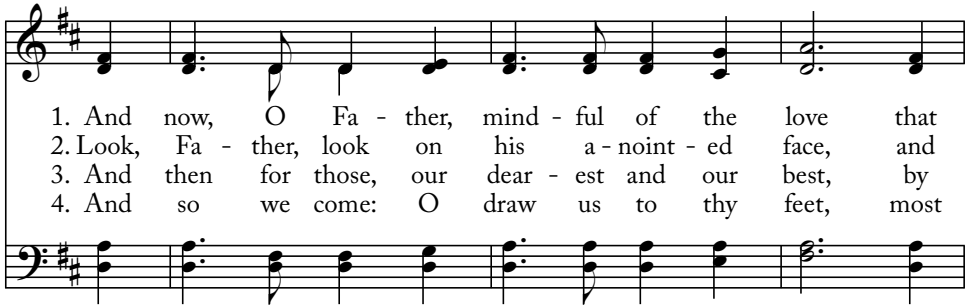
THE LORD'S SUPPER

¶ All baptized believers, along with their baptized children, are invited to partake of the Sacrament by proceeding up to the front (as directed by the ushers) to receive the elements, which should be consumed immediately. Gluten-free wafers are available.

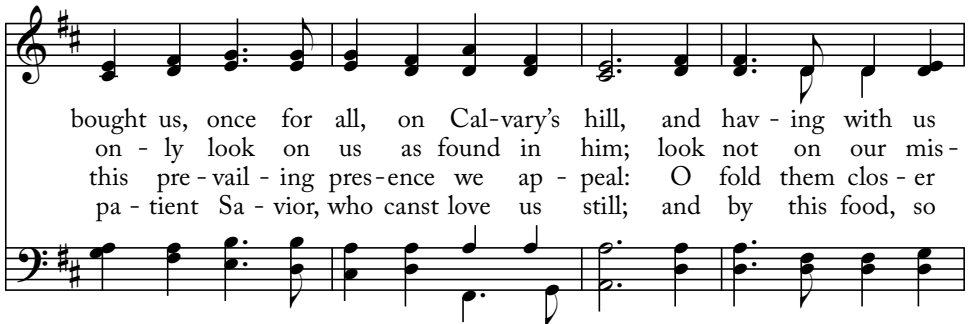
During the distribution of the elements, the People sing the following hymns:

Nº 252 When I Survey The Wondrous Cross

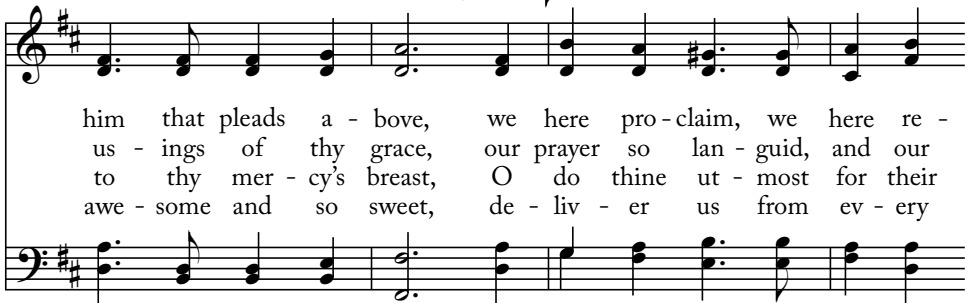
And Now, O Father, Mindful of the Love



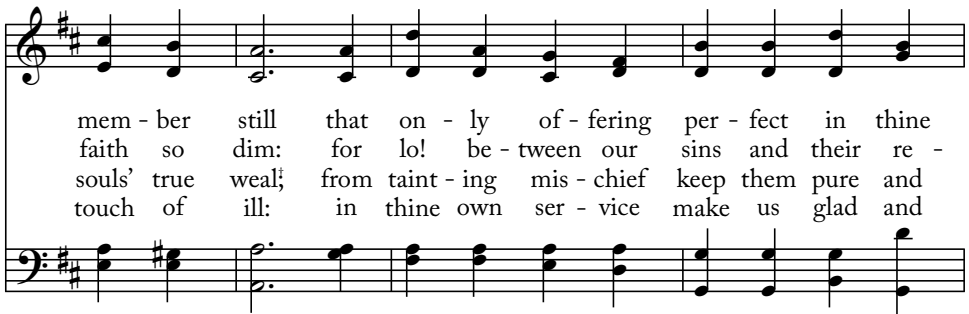
1. And now, O Fa - ther, mind - ful of the love that
 2. Look, Fa - ther, look on his a - noint - ed face, and
 3. And then for those, our dear - est and our best, by
 4. And so we come: O draw us to thy feet, most



bought us, once for all, on Cal-vary's hill, and hav - ing with us
 on - ly look on us as found in him; look not on our mis -
 this pre - vail - ing pres - ence we ap - peal: O fold them clos - er
 pa - tient Sa - vior, who canst love us still; and by this food, so



him that pleads a - bove, we here pro - claim, we here re -
 us - ings of thy grace, our prayer so lan - guid, and our
 to thy mer - cy's breast, O do thine ut - most for their
 awe - some and so sweet, de - liv - er us from ev - ery



mem - ber still that on - ly of - fering per - fect in thine
 faith so dim: for lo! be - tween our sins and their re -
 souls' true weal; from taint - ing mis - chief keep them pure and
 touch of ill: in thine own ser - vice make us glad and

eyes, the one true, pure, im - mor - tal sac - ri - fice.
 ward we set the Pas - sion of thy Son our Lord.
 clear, and crown thy gifts with strength to per - se - vere.
 free, and grant us nev - er - more to part from thee.

Words: William Bright (1824-1901), alt.

Music: *Unde et memores* | William H. Monk (1823-1889)

+ weal: *well-being*

♩ After Communion, the People stand.

HYMN

In Christ Alone

- 1 In Christ alone my hope is found;
 he is my light, my strength, my song;
 this cornerstone, this solid ground,
 firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
 What heights of love, what depths of peace,
 when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
 My comforter, my all in all—
 here in the love of Christ I stand.
- 2 In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
 fullness of God in helpless babe!
 This gift of love and righteousness,
 scorned by the ones he came to save.
 Till on that cross as Jesus died,
 the wrath of God was satisfied;
 for every sin on him was laid—
 here in the death of Christ I live.
- 3 There in the ground his body lay,
 light of the world by darkness slain;
 then bursting forth in glorious day,
 up from the grave he rose again!
 And as he stands in victory,
 sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
 for I am his and he is mine—
 bought with the precious blood of Christ.
- 4 No guilt in life, no fear in death—
 this is the pow'r of Christ in me;
 from life's first cry to final breath,
 Jesus commands my destiny.
 No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
 can ever pluck me from his hand;
 till he returns or calls me home—
 here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

Words: 2001, Stuart Townend (b. 1963)

alt. Stuart Townend and Keith Getty

Music: *In Christ Alone*, 2000 | Keith Getty (b. 1974) LMD

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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.*

Festival Toccata

Percy Fletcher (1879–1932)

SERVICE LEADERS & PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, *Senior Minister*

Nathan Skinner, *Director of Music*

ASSISTING MINISTERS Leonard Mosiah, *Minister to Youth*
Chris May, *Minister to Women*

ELDER Joshua Wang

LAY READER Christine Vasko

MUSICIANS The Chamber Choir; Daniel Schmunk, *Director of Choral Music*
Julianne Johnston, *flute*
Nancy Dimock, *oboe*
Angelina Savoia, *harp*

CANDIDATE FOR BAPTISM Ladia Khaing

Staff directory: parkstreet.org/about-us/staff

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kickoff Sunday is next week!

Join us for meals after each service and visit with ministries sharing at tables in the Welcome Center. Also, participate in an all-church game called “Passport to Park Street.”

All Church Prayer: In Person

Fri, Sep 6 | 7:30 – 9 pm | *Welcome Center*

The theme will be “the Harvest.” We will be praying for our congregation and for the people around us to come to Christ. Join us via *Zoom*, 2nd – 4th Saturdays in September at 8:30 am. Register at parkstreet.org/acp. Questions: helena.daniel06@gmail.com.

College Student Meet & Greet

If you are a college student, meet by the Sanctuary piano after the 11 am & 4 pm services to meet other students and learn more about Park Street College Ministry. For more information, contact Alex Ichimura at ayichimura@gmail.com.

DivorceCare Fall Semester

Thu, Sep 12 | 6:30 pm | *Zoom*

Divorced or separated? Register for biblically-based DivorceCare at divorcecare@parkstreet.org.

ESL: need for teachers and helpers

Share the love of Christ with people from all over the world by joining the English as a Second Language ministry. Please contact kpatschke@parkstreet.org.

Missionary Short-Term Housing Needed

We’re looking for housing for a missionary couple who will be with us mid-Oct – Jan. Email missions@parkstreet.org if you or someone you know might be able to help.

Seeking Adult Clothing Donations

The Home Ministry clothing pantry needs your donations. Please email mharmon@parkstreet.org to arrange a dropoff time (or potentially a pickup) of any clean and usable adult clothing, shoes, or linens.

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.

More details: parkstreet.org/announcements

FALL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

FELLOWSHIP MEALS

Coffee Hour 9:45 am | **Second Sunday Meals** 12:30 pm
College Ministry Lunch resumes Sep 15 | 12:30 pm | Sky Room
Newcomers' Lunches Sep 29 & Nov 17 | 12:30 pm

CHRISTIAN FORMATION CLASSES

A Series on the Ten Commandments (Regional Fellowships) Sep 22–Oct 27 | 9:45 am
New Members Class Oct 6, 20, & 27 | 12:30–4 pm
The Kingdom of God in the Gospel according to Luke begins Nov 17 | 9:45 am

FAMILY MINISTRY

Sundays **Nursery & Children's Church** during the 8:30 & 11 am services
Children's Choir & Sunday School resumes Sep 8 | 9:45 am
Youth Sunday School (7–12th grade) resumes Sep 8 | 9:45 am
Fridays **Youth Group** resumes Sep 13 | 7–9 pm (weekly)
Friday Family Night resumes Sep 13 | 7–9 pm (monthly)

PRAYER

Hour of Prayer Sundays | 9:45 am | bldg 3 rm 301
Morning Prayer Weekdays 8:30–9 am | *Zoom*
All-Church Prayer *In person*, 1st Fridays | *Zoom*, 2nd, 3rd, 4th Saturdays

BIBLE STUDIES

Women's Bible Studies

Tuesdays Wakefield, resumes Sep 24 | 9:30–11 am | (jbmanola@gmail.com)
Wednesdays Life Together, resumes Sep 18 | 10–11 am | *PSC*
Thursdays Faith Journey, resumes Sep 12 | 10–11:30 am | *Belmont & Zoom*
(cmay@parkstreet.org)

The Men's Bible Study launches Sep 18 | Wednesdays 7:30–8:30 am | *PSC*
Friendship Bible Study (adult, slower pace) resumes Sep 26 | 7 pm | *PSC*

CAFÉ (YOUNG ADULTS)

20s and 30s Tuesdays, 7 pm | *Welcome Center*
early 20s Wednesdays, 7 pm | *Welcome Center*

MISSIONS

PSIF (International Fellowship) resumes Sun, Sep 15 | 12:30–3 pm | *Fellowship Hall*
ESL Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:30–11:30 am
Home (Outreach to Unhoused Neighbors) Thursdays, 5:45 pm & Saturdays, 8:30 am
Missionary Care Teams various times | missions@parkstreet.org
Woman's Benevolent Society resumes Wed Sep 11 | 10 am–1:30 pm

MUSIC

Sanctuary Choir Sundays & alternating Thursdays, 7–9 pm | (choir@parkstreet.org)



Visit parkstreet.churchcenter.com or download the **Church Center** app to join groups, register for events, give online, and stay updated!



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!



PARK STREET CHURCH