



Welcome

SERVICE *of* WORSHIP

Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, September 15, 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 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.*

Prelude in F

Fanny Mendelssohn Hensel (1805–1847)

INTROIT

(II AM)

Above All Praise and All Majesty

Above all praise and all majesty,
Lord, Thou reignest evermore,
for evermore. *Hallelujah.*

Music: Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 33

Leader Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous;
it is fitting for the just to be thankful.

People **By the word of the Lord were the heavens made,
and all the hosts of them by the breath of his mouth.**

Leader Praise the Lord with the harp;
sing praises unto him with the ten-stringed lute.

People **Let all the earth fear the Lord;
stand in awe of him, all you that dwell in the world.**

Leader Sing unto him a new song;
make skillful melody and cry aloud with joy.

People **For he spoke, and it was done;
he commanded and it stood fast.**

HYMN

N^o 115 All Creatures of Our God and King

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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

Hark! Ten Thousand Harps and Voice

Hark! Ten thousand harps and voice sound the note of praise above;
Jesus reigns and heaven rejoices, Jesus reigns, the God of love:
See, he sits on yonder throne; Jesus rules the world alone.
Alleluia! Amen.

Sing how Jesus came from heaven, how he bore the cross below,
How all power to him is given, how he reigns in glory now.
’Tis a great and endless theme:
Alleluia! Amen.

King of glory, reign for ever! Thine an everlasting crown.
 Nothing from thy love shall sever
 those whom thou hast made thine own:
 Happy objects of thy grace, destined to behold thy face.
Alleluia! Amen.

Words: Thomas Kelly | Music: Lowell Mason, arr. Roy W. Brunner (Park Street Church organist, 1993-2012)

THE FIRST LESSON

Daniel 7:9-14

pew Bible p. 744

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.

Sing, Ye Faithful, Sing with Gladness

FINNIAN

1. Sing, ye faith - ful, sing with glad - ness, wake your no - blest,
 2. Sing how he came forth from hea - ven, bowed him-self to
 3. So, he tast - ed death for all men, he, of all man -
 4. Now on high, yet ev - er with us, from his Fa - ther's

sweet - est strain, with the prais - es of your Sa - vior
 Beth-leh'm's cave, stooped to wear the ser - vant's ves - ture,
 kind the head, sin - less one, a - mong the sin - ful,
 throne, the Son, rules and guides the world he ran - somed,

let his house re - sound a - gain; him let all your
 bore the pain, the cross, the grave, passed with - in the
 Prince of life, a - mong the dead; thus he wrought the
 till th'ap - point - ed work be done, till he see, re -

mu - sic hon - or, and your songs ex - alt his reign.
 gates of dark - ness, thence his ban - ished ones to save.
 full re - demp - tion, and the cap - tor cap - tive led.
 newed and per - fect, all things gath - ered in - to one.

Words: John Ellerton (1826-1893)

Music: *Finnian*, 1975 | Christopher Dearnley (1930-2000)

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The People sit.

THE SECOND LESSON

Revelation 1:9-20

pew Bible p. 1028

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

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

A Defining Vision

Mark Booker

HYMN

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

Nº 310 Rejoice, the Lord is King

DARWALL

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.*

Gigue, from Trio Sonata in C minor

J. Goldberg (1727-1756)

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 94 How Firm a Foundation

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.*

Festal Postlude on “All Creatures of Our God and King”

William Faulkes (1863-1933)

SERVICE LEADERS & PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, *Senior Minister*
Nathan Skinner, *Director of Music*

ASSISTING MINISTERS Chris May, *Minister to Women*
Polo Kim, *Minister to Internationals*

ELDERS 8:30 Mary Harvey
11:00 Geoffrey Raux, *Moderator-elect*

LAY READERS 8:30 Chinwendu Olivia Ibe, *Boston Architectural College*
11:00 Lia Harrison, *Tufts University*

TESTIMONY 8:30 Christina Wang, *Berklee College of Music*
11:00 Chinwendu Olivia Ibe, *Boston Architectural College*

MUSICIANS The Sanctuary Choir; Daniel Schmunk, *Director of Choral Music*
Caroline Smoak, *violin, New England Conservatory*
William Kinney, *violin, New England Conservatory*

University Sunday participants are listed with their current or recent schools.

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

COLLECTIVE PRAYERS

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

Let us pray together...

- That God would renew our church in the ministry of prayer, that we would “keep alert with all perseverance” (*Eph 6:18*).
- That our leaders and members would be open to how God is leading and directing us in this time, that we would not revert merely to what has been but that we would discern his will and follow him obediently.
- For God to strengthen our community, enabling us to grow as a community of love and showing each of us, practically, how we can contribute to that.
- For renewal and strengthening of our ministries of service to the city of Boston.
- For a renewed zeal to share the gospel with our city. Pray for people to come to know Jesus through our witness. Pray that those who enter into our community, especially non-Christians, might “taste and see that the Lord is good” (*Ps 34:8*).
- For God to renew our investment in his work in and through Park Street Church, and to lead us to extend invitations to others to join us in this ministry.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

University Sunday | Today | after all services

If you are an undergrad student, graduate student or faculty member, we would love to connect with you! Join us for a meal after any of the services.

9:45 am | Undergrads meet at the piano to walk to the *Terrace Room*;
Grads & Faculty in *Granary Room*

12:15 pm | Undergrads meet at the piano to walk to the *Terrace Room*;
Grads in *Granary Room*;
Faculty in *Park Street Conference Room*

5:15 pm | Undergrads meet at the piano to walk to the *Terrace Room*;
Grads in *Granary Room*

Sound and Slides Volunteers Needed

We are looking for Radio Room volunteers to run sound at any of the three services (8:30 am, 11 am, and 4 pm) and have a special need for help with slides at the 4 pm service. Youth are welcome; training will be provided as needed. Contact Mike Ahearn (mahearn@parkstreet.org) to learn more.

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 drop-off time (or potentially a pickup) of any clean and usable adult clothing, shoes, linens, or backpacks.

More details: parkstreet.org/announcements

FALL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

FELLOWSHIP MEALS

Coffee Hour 9:45 am | **Second Sunday Meals** 12:30 pm
PSIF (International Fellowship) Sundays | 12:30–3 pm | *Fellowship Hall*
College Ministry Lunches Sundays | 12:30 pm | Sky Room
Newcomers Lunches Sep 29 & Nov 17 | 12:30 pm

CHRISTIAN FORMATION CLASSES

For Our Good: A Series on the Ten Commandments Sep 29–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
Sunday School (*preschool–12th grade*) **Children's Choir** (*1st–6th grade*) | 9:45 am
Fridays **Youth Group** | 7–9 pm (weekly)
Friday Family Night | 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 | 10–11 am | *PSC*
Melrose (*bi-weekly*) | 7:30 pm | (ellenrawn@gmail.com)
Thursdays Faith Journey | 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

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 Wednesdays | 10 am–1:30 pm | *Granary Room*

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!



Jesus Above All

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!

