

Service of Holy Communion

Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, November 3, 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.

# TODAY'S GUEST PREACHER

Uchenna Anyanwu studied building and structural engineering at Ahmadu Bello University (Zaria, Nigeria) and worked as a construction engineer in northern Nigeria before God called him to cross-cultural ministry. He and his wife, Dolapo, served for fifteen years in a variety of cross-cultural contexts in West and North Africa before moving to the US for further studies. He earned the Master of Divinity and Master of Arts in World Missions and Evangelism degrees from Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary before proceeding to Fuller Theological Seminary, where he obtained a PhD in Intercultural Studies. Uchenna's doctoral research focused on peacebuilding-contextual theology in a context of acute violence. Uchenna also holds a Master of Arts degree in Counseling from Gordon-Conwell. Currently on staff with Frontier Fellowship, Uchenna partners with other mobilizers to build bridges between Christians and Muslims in the US and mobilizes congregations abroad to partner with indigenous peoples.

THE PRELUDE

¶ Music is played to prepare us in body and mind to enter the presence of God. Immediately at the conclusion of the prelude, the People stand.

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

P. P. Stearns (1931–2016)

## CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 67

Leader May God be merciful unto us, and bless us, and show us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us.

People Let all the peoples praise you, O God.

Leader Let your way be known upon earth, your saving health among all nations.

People Let all the peoples praise you, O God.

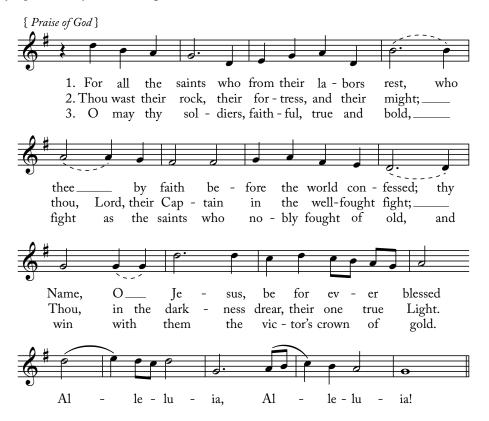
Leader O let the nations rejoice and be glad, for you shall judge the peoples righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

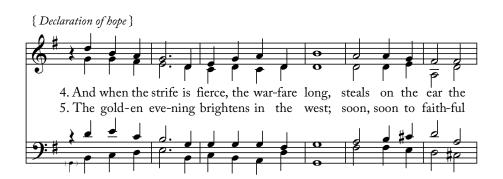
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#### HYMN

For All the Saints Sine Nomine

We remember especially the three hundred saints, resting from their labors, who were sent out by Park Street Church over the past two centuries to confess Christ by faith before the world. They fought valiantly and their Captain was the Lord.







Words: 1864 | William Walsham How (1823-1897)

Music: Sine Nomine, 1906 | Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

# 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 FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 60:1-3

pew Bible p. 619

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.

Nº 437 O God, to Us Show Mercy

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¶ The People sit.

#### THE SECOND LESSON

2 Corinthians 4:1-6

pew Bible p. 965

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

Proclaiming Jesus in Living and Service

Uchenna D. Anyanwu

#### HYMN

¶ The People stand. Children return during the hymn.

Nº 441 Jesus Shall Reign

DUKE STREET

# APOSTLES' CREED

¶ Standing, the People say together

I believe in God the Father, Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who 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.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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.

#### 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.

## 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

(II AM)

 $\P$  The People sit. The offering plates are passed while music is offered to the Lord.

## How Beauteous Are Their Feet

How beauteous are their feet.

Who stand on Zion's hill!

Who bring salvation on their tongue,

And words of peace reveal.

How charming is their voice!

How sweet the tidings are!

Zion behold thy Savior-King,

He reigns and triumphs here.

How happy are our ears

That hear this joyful sound!

Which kings and prophets waited for,

And sought, but never found.

How blessed are our eyes

That see this heavenly light!

Prophets and kings desired it long,

But died without the sight.

The Lord makes bare his arm

Through all the earth abroad,

Let every nation now behold

their Savior and their God.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674–1748) | Music: Eric Thiman (1900–1975)

## PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

 $\P$  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 442 Arise, O God Nº 424 Shepherd of Souls RHOSYMEDRE

St. Agnes

¶ After Communion, the People stand.

#### HYMN

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER



Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred Name.

- 1. Come, brethren, follow where our Captain trod, our king victorious, Christ the Son of God. *Lift high the cross...*
- 2. Let every race and every language tell of him who saves our souls from death and hell. *Lift high the cross...*
- 3. So shall our song of triumph ever be: praise to the Crucified for victory!

  Lift high the cross...

Words: 1887 | George W. Kitchin (1827-1912) alt. 1916 | Michael R. Newbolt (1874-1956) Music: *Crucifer*, 1916 | Sydney H. Nicholson (1875-1947)

## 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.

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J.S. Bach (1685–1750)

## SERVICE LEADERS & PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, Senior Minister Nathan Skinner, Director of Music

Guest Preacher Uchenna D. Anyanwu

Assisting Minister Leonard Mosiah, Minister to Youth

Elders 8:30 Richard Ibekwe

11:00 Joshua Wang

Lay Readers 8:30 Benjamin B., Staff Missionary

11:00 Paula Hanna, Staff Missionary

TESTIMONY 8:30 Greg and Amy V., Staff Missionary Associates

11:00 Stuart and Sindia Foster, Staff Missionaries

Prayers 8:30 Bill Hanna, Staff Missionary

II:00 Jim Z., Staff Missionary

Musicians The Sanctuary Choir; Daniel Schmunk, Director of Choral Music

Staff directory: 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 as we continue in the Mission Conference, God would embolden us to proclaim him in word and deed.
- For the national and local elections this week, that God's will would be done and that our leaders would walk in his righteousness.
- For those in our community who are suffering from illness or physical limitations, that he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

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

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

# Reality Unveiled: "He who has an ear, let him hear" Friday, Nov 15, 7 pm | Sanctuary

Experience John's dramatic apocalypse in its originally-intended format: the whole book of Revelation read aloud. We will also sing a few hymns to punctuate the evening. This would be a great occasion to invite friends from the broader church throughout Boston.

# Christian Formation Class: The Kingdom of God Begins Sun, Nov 17 | 9:45 am

A new christian formation class taught by Norm Graf and Mary Harvey.

## Newcomers Lunch

Sun, Nov 17 | 12:30-2pm | Granary Room

If you're new to Park Street and considering making it your home church, welcome! Bring your questions about the church and meet some of our leaders as we enjoy good food together. RSVP: new@parkstreet.org.

 ${\it More\ information:}\ {\bf parkstreet.org/announcements}$ 

#### MISSION CONFERENCE FEATURED EVENTS

Proclaiming Jesus Through the Translated Word | 9:45 am | Fellowship Hall Park Street Church supports four families involved in Bible translation work and they will all be in one room today. Come hear them share how Jesus Christ is being proclaimed through mother tongue translation projects in North Africa, Central Asia, East Africa, and Southeast Asia. You will hear how God can use different career paths to accomplish the task of Bible translation.

# Proclaiming Jesus Around the World | 9:45 am | Granary Room

Hear from our missionaries around the world about the creative ways that the Gospel of Jesus Christ is being proclaimed where they are. Join us in the Granary Room for this Zoom session with several of our missionaries who will be sharing from their homes across the globe.

# Middle Eastern Dinner & Discussion: Proclaiming Jesus in the Muslim World Friday, November 8 | 6 pm | Welcome Center & Sanctuary

Cost for dinner is \$15 per person, and space is limited. Register in Church Center or at parkstreet.org/events by *today*!

# All-Church Meals: Proclaiming Jesus Together Sunday, November 10 | after all services | Fellowship Hall

Join us as we share a meal around the table and explore ways that we can proclaim Jesus where God has put us. Listen carefully as we share some basics about Park Street Missions and Ministries and you might get a chance to win a prize!

Visit parkstreet.org/mc24 for more info, events schedule, and volunteer opportunities. Questions? Email missions@parkstreet.org.

## GIVING TO MISSIONS

At Park Street Church, only gifts specifically designated "Missions" are included in the Missions budget.

# Where does my missions giving go?

When you give to Park Street Missions, you are touching lives here in Boston and around the world. Globally, Park Street supports 26 full-time missionaries in 10 countries. Locally, we fund a variety of ministries to internationals, engage with unhoused and refugee individuals and families, and reach out to students on campuses throughout the city.



Give to the missions budget at parkstreet.org/give or by using the QR code above.

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, where you can meet other newcomers and church leaders, hear about our community and ask questions. We look forward to knowing you better!