



Welcome

SERVICE *of* HOLY COMMUNION

Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, October 6, 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 pincrow 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.*

Song Without Words "Prelude"

John Hermann Loud (1873–1959)
Park Street organist, 1915–1956

INTROIT (II AM)

What Shall I Render to the Lord

What shall I render to the LORD for all his benefits to me?
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call on the name of the LORD.
I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the LORD.
I will pay my vows to the LORD now in the presence of all his people.
In the courts of the LORD's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

Words: Psalm 116:12–14, 17–19, alt. Lutheran Book of Worship | Music: Peter Tiefenbach (b. 1960)

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 28

Leader Praise be to the LORD, for he has heard my cry for mercy.

People **The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart has trusted in him,
and I am helped; therefore my heart dances for joy,
and in my song will I praise him.**

Leader The LORD is the strength of his people,
and he is the sure defense of his Anointed.

People **O save your people and bless your heritage;
be their shepherd and carry them for ever.**

HYMN

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

1. Christ is made the sure foun-da-tion, Christ the head and cor-ner-stone,
 2. All that ded-i-ca-ted cit-y, dear-ly loved of God on high,
 3. To this tem-ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of hosts, to-day;
 4. Here vouch-safe to all thy ser-vants what they ask of thee to gain;

cho-sen of the Lord and pre-cious, bind-ing all the church in one;
 in ex-ult-ant ju-bi-la-tion pours per-pet-ual mel-o-dy:
 with thy won-ted lov-ing-kind-ness hear thy peo-ple as they pray,
 what they gain from thee, for ev-er with the bless-ed to re-tain,

ho-ly Zi-on's help for ev-er, and her con-fi-dence a-lone
 God the One in three a-dor-ing in glad hymns e-ter-nal-ly.
 and thy full-est be-ne-dic-tion shed with-in its walls al-way.
 and here-after in thy glo-ry ev-er-more with thee to reign.

5. Laud and honor to the Father,
 laud and honor to the Son,
 laud and honor to the Spirit
 ever Three and ever One;
 One in might and One in glory,
 while unending ages run!

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 11:1-10

pew Bible p. 575

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 163 At the Name of Jesus

KING'S WESTON

¶ *The People sit.*

THE SECOND LESSON

John 16:32-17:8

pew Bible p. 903

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

What is Life?

Randall Wetzig

HYMN

¶ *The People stand. Children return from Children's Church during the hymn*

№ 642 Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

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.

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)

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

Name of All Majesty

Name of all majesty, fathomless mystery,
King of the ages by angels adored;
Power and authority, splendor and dignity,
Bow to his mastery, *Jesus is Lord!*

Child of our destiny, God from eternity,
Love of the Father on sinners outpoured;
See now what God has done sending his only Son,
Christ the beloved One, *Jesus is Lord!*

Savior of Calvary, costliest victory,
Darkness defeated and Eden restored;
Born as a man to die, nailed to a cross on high,
Cold in the grave to lie, *Jesus is Lord!*

Source of all sovereignty, light, immortality;
Life everlasting and heaven restored;
So with the ransomed, we praise him eternally,
Christ in his majesty, *Jesus is Lord!*

Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (1926–2024) | Music: K. Lee Scott (b. 1950)

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 hymns on the following page.

Humbly I Adore Thee

ADORO TE DEVOTE



1. Hum-bly I a - dore thee, Ver - i - ty un - seen,
2. Taste and touch and vi - sion to dis - cern thee fail;
3. O me - mo - rial won - drous of the Lord's own death;
4. Je - sus, whom now hid - den, I by faith be - hold,



who thy glo - ry hid - est 'neath these sha - dows mean;
 faith, that comes by hear - ing, pierc - es through the veil.
 liv - ing Bread that giv - est all thy crea - tures breath,
 what my soul doth long for, that thy word fore - told:



low, to thee sur - ren - dered, my whole heart is bowed,
 I be - lieve what - e'er the Son of God hath told;
 grant my spi - rit ev - er by thy life may live,
 face to face thy splen - dor, I at last shall see,



tranced as it be - holds thee, shrined with - in the cloud.
 what the Truth hath spo - ken, that for truth I hold.
 to my taste thy sweet - ness nev - er - fail - ing give.
 in the glo - rious vi - sion, bless - ed Lord, of thee.

Words: attr. Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274); tr. Hymnal 1940 and Hymnal 1982

Music: French church melody, as found in *Paris Processionale*, 1697

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Nº 42I Soul, Adorn Yourself With Gladness

SCHMÜCKE DICH

☞ *After Communion, the People stand.*

HYMN

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee (*next page*)

ODE TO JOY

1. Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
 2. All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,
 3. Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blessed,
 4. Mor - tals, join the might - y cho - rus, which the morn - ing stars be - gan;

hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, open - ing to the sun a - bove.
 stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
 well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean depth of hap - py rest!
 Fa - ther love is reign - ing o'er us, broth - er love binds man to man.

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way; giv -
 Field and for - est, vale and mountain, flow - ery meadow, flash - ing sea, chant -
 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Broth - er: all who live in love are thine; teach
 Ev - er sing - ing, march we on - ward, vic - tors in the midst of strife, joy -

- er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day!
 - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.
 us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the Joy Di - vine.
 - ful mu - sic leads us Sun - ward in the tri - umph song of life!

Words: 1907 | Henry van Dyke (1852-1933); Music: from *Symphony no. 9* | L. van Beethoven (1770-1827)

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.*

The Heavens Declare Thy Glory

B. Marcello (1686-1739)

SERVICE LEADERS & PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, *Senior Minister*

Nathan Skinner, *Director of Music*

PREACHER Randall Wetzig, *Assistant Minister*

ASSISTING MINISTERS Dan Verrengia, *Interim Assistant Minister*

Leonard Mosiah, *Minister to Youth*

ELDERS 8:30 Linda Herman

11:00 Richard Ibekwe

LAY READERS 8:30 Michael Ahearn

11:00 Margaret Diffenderfer

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

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

COLLECTIVE PRAYERS

“When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven...” John 17:1a

Let us pray together...

- That God would continue to make himself known to the peoples of the world in the face of his son Jesus, and that he would empower the Church to proclaim his name.
- For Park Street’s Mission Conference in early November, that throughout the week God would show us ways that we can proclaim him through our words and our deeds.
- For Boston, that God would bless our city’s leaders and citizens with wisdom and kindness.
- For the United States, that instead of material wealth we would seek the kingdom of God both individually and corporately.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Save the Date: Mission Conference 2024, Nov 1–10

Mark your calendar for our 2024 Mission Conference. This year's theme is "Proclaiming Jesus." Throughout the week we will explore ways that we can proclaim him through our words and our deeds. More details coming soon. Questions? Contact missions@parkstreet.org.

Second Sunday Meals

Sun, Oct 13 | after each service

We enjoy a meal together after each service on the second Sunday each month. All are welcome! Interested in cooking or serving, email hospitality@parkstreet.org.

Financial Update as of August 31, 2024 (Year to Date):

Ministry & Operations:

Giving through August 31 was \$1.43M, 9% below last year at this time. Expenses through August 31 were \$2.24M vs. budget of \$2.29M, or approximately \$48K below budget.

Missions

Giving through August 31 was \$844K, 13% below last year at this time. Expenses through August 31 were \$1.27M vs. budget of \$1.44M, or approximately \$122K below budget.

More information: parkstreet.org/announcements

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!

