



Lo, the winter is past,
the rain is over and gone.

Flowers appear on the earth;
the time of singing has come.

SERVICE *of* HOLY COMMUNION

Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, June 1, 2025

Sunday After the Ascension

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. Our ordinary Sunday services are at 8:30 am, 11:00 am, and 4:00 pm, but today (and on the first Sundays of July and August) we are coming together in one Communion service at 11:00.

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 we join the Christian family around the globe in celebrating the ascension of Jesus Christ to his glorious throne, forty days after Easter (last Thursday, but often observed on Sunday).

THE PRELUDE

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

Overture, *from Saul*

G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

INTROIT

Sing Ye to the Lord, *from Israel in Egypt*

Sing ye to the Lord, for he hath triumphed gloriously;
the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea.

Words: Exodus 15:21 | Music: G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 47

Leader Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Leader O clap your hands together, all you peoples;
O cry aloud unto God with shouts of joy.

People For the Lord Most High is to be feared,
he is the great King over all the earth.

Leader God has gone up with a triumphant shout,
the Lord with the sound of the trumpet.

People O sing praises, sing praises unto our God;
O sing praises, sing praises unto our King.

Leader For God is the King of all the earth;
think upon his mighty acts and praise him with a song.

HYMN

Nº 295 Crown Him with Many Crowns

DIADEMATA

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

ANTHEM

Hallelujah, from Christ on the Mount of Olives

Hallelujah! unto God's Almighty Son.

Praise the Lord, ye bright angelic choirs,
in holy songs of joy.

Man, proclaim his grace and glory.

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord in holy songs of joy.

Words: Franz Xaver Huber | Music: Ludwig van Beethoven (1770–1827)

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 1:1–11

pew Bible p. 909

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

HYMN

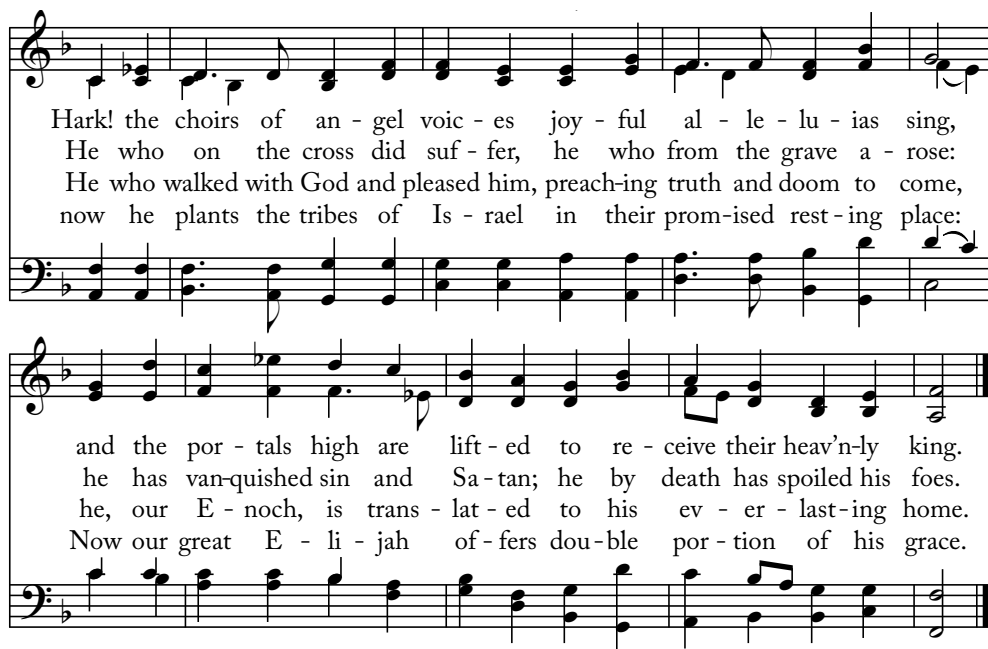
¶ *A Minister prays for the Children. The People stand; Children are dismissed to Children's Church during the hymn.*

See, the Conqueror Mounts in Triumph

RUSTINGTON

1. See, the con-qu'ror mounts in tri-umph; see the King in roy - al state,
2. Who is this that comes in glo - ry with the trump of ju - bi - lee?
3. While he lifts his hands in bless-ing, he is part - ed from his friends;
4. Now our heav'n - ly Aar - on en - ters, with his blood, with-in the veil;

rid - ing on the clouds, his char - iot, to his heav'n-ly pal - ace gate.
Lord of bat-tles, God of ar - mies, he has gained the vic - to - ry.
while their ea - ger eyes be - hold him, he up - on the clouds as-cends.
Josh - ua now is come to Ca - naan, and the kings be - fore him quail;



Hark! the choirs of an - gel voic - es joy - ful al - le - lu - ias sing,
 He who on the cross did suf - fer, he who from the grave a - rose:
 He who walked with God and pleased him, preach - ing truth and doom to come,
 now he plants the tribes of Is - rael in their prom - ised rest - ing place:

and the por - tals high are lift - ed to re - ceive their heav'n - ly king.
 he has van - quished sin and Sa - tan; he by death has spoiled his foes.
 he, our E - noch, is trans - lat - ed to his ev - er - last - ing home.
 Now our great E - li - jah of - fers dou - ble por - tion of his grace.

5. You have raised our human nature in the clouds to God's right hand;
 there we sit in heav'nly places, there with you in glory stand:
 Jesus reigns, adored by angels, man with God is on the throne;
 mighty Lord, in your ascension we by faith behold our own.

Words: Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885)
 Music: Rustington | C. Hubert Parry (1848-1918)

 *The People sit.*

THE SECOND LESSON

Colossians 3:12-17

pew Bible p. 984


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

Forgiving Each Other

Mark Booker

HYMN

 *The People stand. Children return during the hymn.*

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

CRIMOND



1. "For - give our sins as we for - give," you
2. How can your par - don reach and bless the
3. In blaz - ing light your cross re - veals the
4. Lord, cleanse the depths with - in our souls, and

taught us, Lord, to pray, but you a - lone can
un - for - giv - ing heart that broods on wrongs, and
truth we dim - ly knew: how small the debts men
bid re - sent - ment cease; then, bound to all in

grant us grace to live the words we say,
will not let old bit - ter - ness de - part?
owe to us; how great our debt to you!
bonds of love, our lives will spread your peace.

Words: 1969 | Rosamond E Herklots (1905-1987)

Music: *Crimond*, 1871 | Jessie Seymour Irvine (1836-1887) CM

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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

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

Worthy is the Lamb, *from Messiah*

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain,
 and hath redeemed us to God by his blood,
 to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength,
 and honor, and glory, and blessing.

Blessing and honor, glory and power, be unto him
 that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb,
 for ever and ever.

Amen.

Words: Revelation 5:12-14 | Music: G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

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 300 Blessing and Honor and Glory and Power	O QUANTA QUALIA
Nº 299 Look, Ye Saints, the Sight is Glorious	CORONÆ

¶ *After Communion, the People stand.*

HYMN

Nº 310 Rejoice, the Lord is King	DARWALL
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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.*

Coronation March “Orb and Sceptre,” 1953	W. Walton (1902–1983)
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SERVICE LEADERS & PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, *Senior Minister*

Nathan Skinner, *Director of Music*

ASSISTING MINISTERS Randall Wetzig, *Assistant Minister*

Dan Verrengia, *retired Assistant Minister*

ELDER David Murgatroyd

LAY READER Jill VanderWoude

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

The Park Street Strings

Robinson Pyle & Gregory Gettel, *baroque trumpet*

Casey Voss, *timpani*

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

COLLECTIVE PRAYERS

*“And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus,
giving thanks to God the Father through him.” Colossians 3:17*

Let us pray together...

- That the Holy Spirit would enable us to live now as citizens of the Kingdom that Jesus will one day bring in fullness.
- For our missionaries E & G Lee and their work of church planting in Asia, particularly for wisdom and guidance as they follow up with two new believers.
- For those coming to visit our church on the Freedom Trail this summer, that they would be blessed by God and would be called by the Spirit to follow Jesus.
- That God would give each of us wisdom to know how to love our neighbors.

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

Jesus Above All

ANNOUNCEMENTS

More details at parkstreet.org/everything

* Indicates childcare available. Preregistration may be required.

Today

Children's Choir, Sunday School, and Youth | 9:45 am | *Various Rooms*

Christian Formation: Taste and See that the Lord is Good* | 9:45 am | *Fellowship Hall*

Hour of Prayer | 9:45 am | *Conference Room 301*

Sunday Worship* | 11 am | *Sanctuary*

All-Church Lunch | 12:45 pm | *Welcome Center and Fellowship Hall*

This Week

Morning Prayer | Weekdays, 8:30 am | parkstreet.org/morningprayer

ESL Classes & Activities* | Tue, Wed, & Thu, | *Various Rooms*

Café Young Adults | Tue & Wed, 7 pm | *Welcome Center*

The Men's Bible Study | Wed, 7:30 am | *Common Room*

Home Ministry Outreach Meals | Thu, 5:45 pm & Sat, 8:30 am | *Fellowship Hall*

Youth Group | Fri, 7 pm | *Youth Room*

General

Women's Eastertide Luncheon | Jun 8 | 12:30 pm | *Terrace Room*

Explore what it means for us to be alive in Christ.

Register at parkstreet.org/everything for lunch and childcare.

New Members Class | Jun 8, 22, 29, 12:30 – 4 pm | *Granary Room*

Three Sundays exploring the community life, theological convictions, and unique priorities of Park Street Church. Lunch included. Register at parkstreet.org/everything.

Forgiveness and Reconciliation | June 15, 22, & 29, 9:45 am

Building on today's sermon, we will take three weeks to examine the call for disciples of Jesus to follow his model of forgiveness and reconciliation. Mark Booker will lead this course, which will aim to be practical—exploring how to walk in obedience to Jesus when dealing with broken relationships.

Missions Summer Book Study: "Across the Street and Around the World"

Thursdays, Jun 12 – Aug 21 | 7:30 pm | *Zoom*

Take your next step in local or global missions by participating in this 10-week summer book study. Learn more and register at parkstreet.org/everything.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS, CONTINUED

Church Clerk Update

The Board of Elders is pleased to announce that Margaret Sloat has been approved by the board and has accepted the role of Clerk for the rest of the term, which lasts until our next Annual Meeting in February 2026.

Save the dates: Urbana 25 Missions Conference

Dec 28 – Midnight NYE | Phoenix, AZ

Experience this transformative, triennial missions conference with other Park Streeters. Learn more at parkstreet.org/everything.

Join us for Kidsweek as a Volunteer

Help guide the kids of Park Street through a fun-filled week, Jul 14–18, as they learn that Jesus is their True North. Learn more and sign up at parkstreet.org/everything.

Freedom Trail Site Volunteers

We are building a team of volunteers to serve alongside Freedom Trail guides for a few hours a week. Training provided. Email freedomtrail@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**, 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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