



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

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

SERVICE *of* WORSHIP

Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, May 18, 2025

*The Fifth Sunday of Eastertide*

***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.*

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## THE PRELUDE

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

## INTROIT

(II AM)

### 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 118*

*Leader* Alleluia! Christ is risen.

*People* **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*Leader* Open unto me the gates of righteousness,  
that I may go into them, and give thanks to the Lord.

*People* **I will thank you, for you have heard me,  
and have become my salvation.**

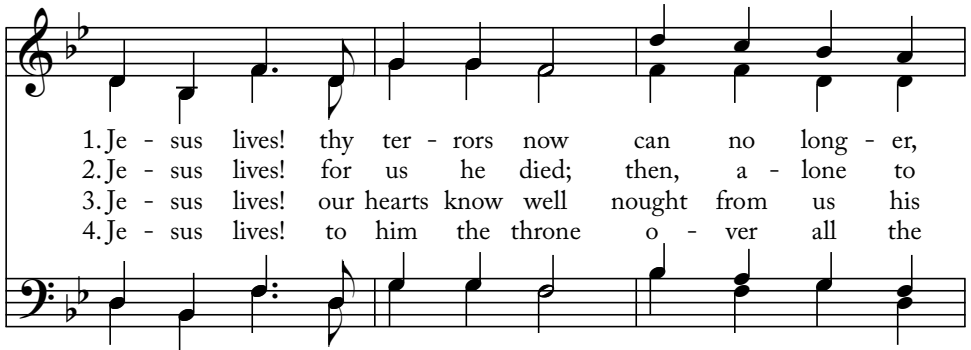
*Leader* The same stone which the builders refused  
has become the chief cornerstone;  
this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

*People* **This is the day that the Lord has made;  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.**

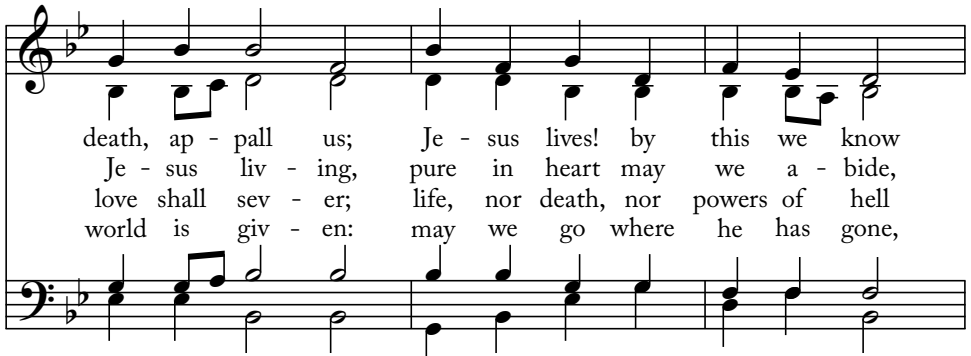
# HYMN

Jesus Lives, thy Terrors Now

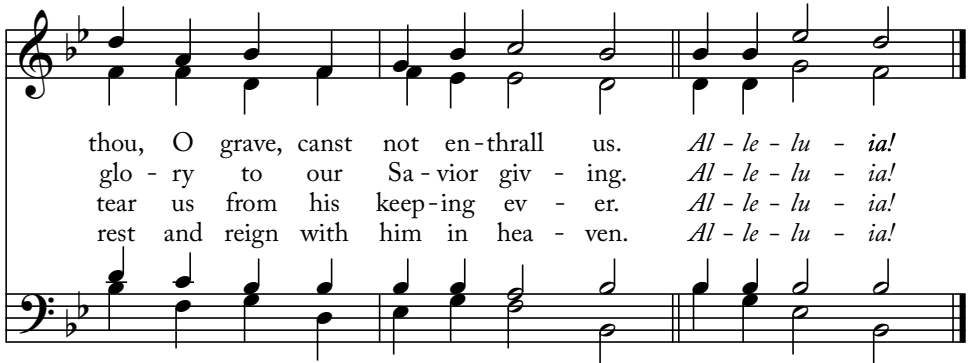
ST ALBINUS



1. Je - sus lives! thy ter - rors now can no long - er,  
 2. Je - sus lives! for us he died; then, a - lone to  
 3. Je - sus lives! our hearts know well nought from us his  
 4. Je - sus lives! to him the throne o - ver all the




death, ap - pall us; Je - sus lives! by this we know  
 Je - sus liv - ing, pure in heart may we a - bide,  
 love shall sev - er; life, nor death, nor powers of hell  
 world is giv - en: may we go where he has gone,



thou, O grave, canst not en - thrall us. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 glo - ry to our Sa - vior giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 tear us from his keep - ing ev - er. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 rest and reign with him in hea - ven. Al - le - lu - ia!

Words: 1757 | Christian Friedrich Gellert (1715-1769); trans. 1841 | Frances E. Cox (1812-1897)  
 Music: *St. Albinus*, 1852 | Henry Gauntlett (1805-1876) 78. 78 with Alleluia

## 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

(II AM)

O What Their Joy And Their Glory Must Be

O what their joy and their glory must be,  
those endless Sabbaths the blessed ones see!  
crown for the valiant, to weary ones, rest;  
God shall be all, and in all ever blessed.

What are the Monarch, his court, and his throne?  
What are the peace and the joy that they own?  
Tell us, ye blest ones, that in it have share,  
if what ye feel ye can fully declare!

Truly, "Jerusalem" name we that shore,  
"Vision of peace," that brings joy evermore;  
wish and fulfillment can severed be never,  
nor do things prayed for come short of the prayer.

We, where no trouble distraction can bring,  
safely the anthems of Zion shall sing;  
while for thy grace, Lord, their voices of praise  
thy blessed people shall evermore raise.

There dawns no Sabbath, no Sabbath is over;  
those Sabbath keepers have one, and no more;  
one and unending is that triumph song,  
which to the angels and us shall belong.

Now, in the meanwhile, with hearts raised on high,  
we for that country must yearn and must sigh;  
seeking Jerusalem, dear native land,  
through our long exile on Babylon's strand.

Low before him with our praises we fall,  
of whom, and in whom, and through whom are all;  
of whom, the Father; and in whom, the Son,  
through whom, the Spirit, with these ever One. *Amen.*

Words: Peter Abelad (1079–1142) | Music: William Harris (1883–1973)

## THE FIRST LESSON

*Genesis 1:26–31*

*pew Bible p. 1*

*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 120 All Things Bright and Beautiful

ROYAL OAK

¶ *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 Nº 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

With Christ

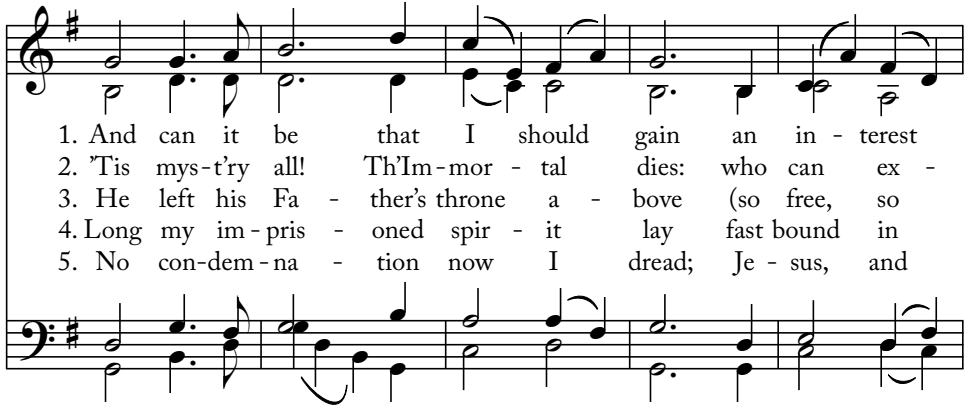
Mark Booker

## HYMN

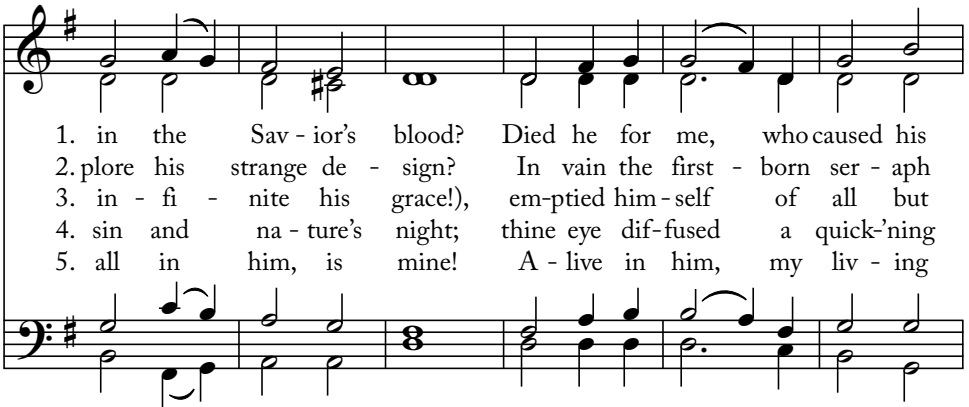
 *The People stand.*

And Can It Be

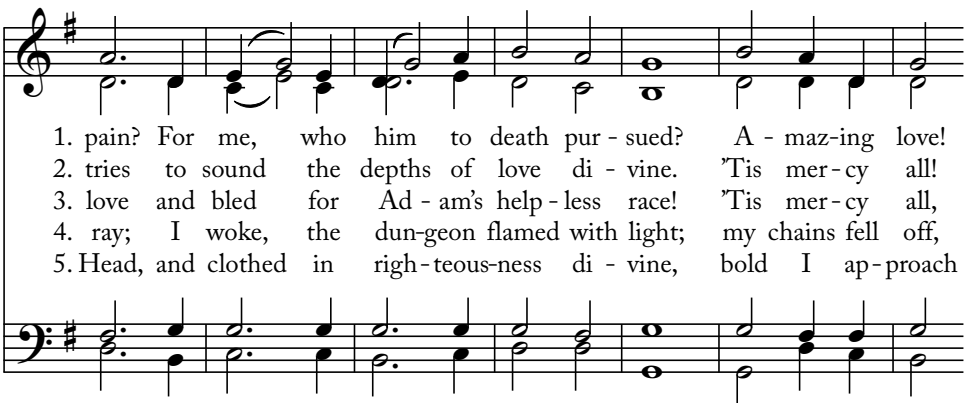
SAGINA



1. And can it be that I should gain an in - terest  
 2. 'Tis mys-t'ry all! Th'Im-mor - tal dies: who can ex -  
 3. He left his Fa - ther's throne a - bove (so free, so  
 4. Long my im - pris - oned spir - it lay fast bound in  
 5. No con-dem - na - tion now I dread; Je - sus, and



1. in the Sav - ior's blood? Died he for me, who caused his  
 2. plore his strange de - sign? In vain the first - born ser - aph  
 3. in - fi - nite his grace!), em-ptied him-self of all but  
 4. sin and na - ture's night; thine eye dif-fused a quick-'ning  
 5. all in him, is mine! A - live in him, my liv - ing



1. pain? For me, who him to death pur - sued? A - maz-ing love!  
 2. tries to sound the depths of love di - vine. 'Tis mer - cy all!  
 3. love and bled for Ad - am's help - less race! 'Tis mer - cy all,  
 4. ray; I woke, the dun-geon flamed with light; my chains fell off,  
 5. Head, and clothed in righ-teous-ness di - vine, bold I ap-proach

1. How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst  
 2. Let earth a - dore, let an - gel minds in -  
 3. im - mense and free, for, O my God, it  
 4. my heart was free; I rose, went forth, and  
 5. the - ter - nal throne, and claim the crown, through

1. die for me? A - maz - ing love! How can it be that  
 2. quire no more.  
 3. found out me!  
 4. fol - lowed thee.  
 5. Christ, my own.

thou, my God, shouldst die for me?  
 that thou, my God,

Words: 1738 | Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Music: Sagina, 1825 | Thomas Campbell (1800-1876)

## 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.*

## 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 266 Come Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain

ST. KEVIN

## 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.*

Carillon-Sortie

H. Mulet (1878–1967)

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## SERVICE LEADERS & PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, *Senior Minister*

Nathan Skinner, *Director of Music*

ASSISTING MINISTER    Randall Wetzig, *Assistant Minister*

ELDERS    8:30    Andrew Ziegler

11:00    Steven James Weibley

LAY READERS    8:30    Marty Lindemann

11:00    Christine Vasko

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

*Staff directory: [parkstreet.org/about-us/staff](http://parkstreet.org/about-us/staff)*

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## 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...

- Thanking God for all that he has done for us individually and as a church body.
- For each other, in the congregation of Park Street Church, that our foundation in every aspect of life would be the Lord our God.
- For those serving as cooks and hosts in our Home ministry, and those coming to meals at Home, that they would reflect Jesus to each other.
- For our missionaries, Stuart and Sindia in their ongoing work of bible translation and leadership development in Mozambique

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

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*More details at [parkstreet.org/everything](http://parkstreet.org/everything)*

\* Indicates childcare available. Preregistration may be required.

### *Today*

Sunday Worship\* | 8:30 am, 11 am, & 4 pm | *Sanctuary*

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*

Newcomers Lunch | 12:30 pm | *Granary Room*

### *This Week*

Morning Prayer | Weekdays, 8:30 am | *[parkstreet.org/morningprayer](http://parkstreet.org/morningprayer)*

ESL Classes\* | Tue & Thu, 9:30 am | *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*

Friendship Bible Study | Thu, 7 pm | *Sky Room*

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

Haitian ESL Classes | Sat, 9:30 am | *Granary Room and Common Room*

## *General*

### **Adult Christian Formation**

**“Taste and See that the Lord is Good: The Gospel in the Lord’s Supper”**

**Today, May 25, Jun 1, 9:45 am | *Fellowship Hall***

A three-week class on the sacrament of Communion.

**Newcomers Lunch | Today, 12:30 pm | *Granary Room***

New? Join us today for lunch!

**New Member’s Class | Jun 8, 22, 29, 12:45 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](https://parkstreet.org/everything).

**Combined Summer Services & Meals | Jun 1, Jul 6, Aug 3, 11 am**

We will be all together at the 11 am service (only) the first Sundays of June, July, and August, followed by an all-church lunch.

**Gala for Life: Entering the Promised Land | Thu, May 22, 6-9 pm |**

***Four Points Sheraton, Norwood***

Boston Center for Pregnancy Choices Annual Gala for Life. Register by May 19 at [bit.ly/BCPCGALA](https://bit.ly/BCPCGALA).

### **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](mailto:freedomtrail@parkstreet.org).

### **City Engagement**

Learn about engaging with our city and serving those around us at [parkstreet.org/cityengagement](https://parkstreet.org/cityengagement).

**Kidsweek 2025: True North | Jul 14–18**

A week of learning to trust Jesus as our True North. Kidsweek is for children entering preschool through 7th grade. Register at [parkstreet.org/everything](https://parkstreet.org/everything).

**Church Camp | Aug 20–24 | *Camp Laurel South, Casco Maine***

Have fun and build relationships within our community.

Register at [parkstreet.org/everything](https://parkstreet.org/everything).

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*Jesus Above All*

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## 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](http://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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