o, 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, May 4, 2025 The Third 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 \P) 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

We are in the fifty-day season of Eastertide. The colors of the season are white and gold. Here we sing our most joyous music, and "Alleluias" abound as we unite in praise with the Christian family around the globe: "Sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously." (Ex. 15:1) The bodily resurrection of Jesus Christ proves unambiguously that God is the final victor in the battle between Light and Darkness. Our greatest enemy is vanquished, and the new life of Jesus has come (in part) and is coming (in full) to all those who trust in him.

THE PRELUDE

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

INTROIT (11 AM)

This Joyful Eastertide

This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow. My Love, the Crucified, hath sprung to life this morrow.

Had Christ, that once was slain, ne'er burst his three-day prison, our faith would be in vain: but now is Christ arisen.

My flesh in hope shall rest, and for a season slumber: till trump from east to west shall wake the dead in number.

Death's waters lost their chill, since Jesus crossed the river: lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver.

Words: George R. Woodward (1848–1934) Music: 1685, Joachim Oudaen's "Psalms of David," arr. Charles Wood (1866–1926) and Dale Grotenhuis (1931–2012)

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 34 & 81

Leader Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Leader	Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob!
People	Blow the trumpet at the new moon,
	at the full moon, on our feast day.
Leader	"I am the Lord your God,
	who brought you up out of the land of Egypt
	Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it."
People	O taste and see that the Lord is good!
	Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

HYMN

He is Risen, He is Risen

1. He ris - en, ris - en! Tell is he is it with a ye sad and 2. Come, fear - ful-heart-ed, with glad smile and 3. Come, with high and ho - ly hymn-ing Lord's tri hail our ris - en! o - pened 4. He is ris - en, he is He has joy - ful voice: has burst his he three days' pris - on; ra - diant brow! Death's long sha - dows have de - part - ed; um-phant day. Not one dark-some cloud is dim-ming are free from sin's dark pris - on, hea-ven's gate: we the whole wide earth re-joice: let death is con - quered, Je - sus' woes are o - ver now, and the pas - sion yon - der glo - rious morn-ing ray, break - ing o'er the ris - en ho - lier state; and a bright - er to а man is free, Christ has won the vic - to ry. that he boresin and pain can vex no more. bright - er pur - ple East; far our Eas - ter feast. Eas - ter beam on our long - ing eyes shall stream.

Words: 1846 | Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895); alt. Music: *Unser Herrscher*, 1680 | Joachim Neander (1650-1680) 87. 87. 77 Neander

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

LeaderThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd with your spirit.

¶ Greet one another in the peace of Christ. Following the Peace, the People sit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANTHEM (11 AM)

The King of Love

The King of Love my Shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am his, and he is mine for ever.

Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth, and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me, and on his shoulder gently laid, and home rejoicing brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear Lord, beside me, thy rod and staff me comfort still, thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight, thy unction[†] grace betoweth; and O what transport and delight from thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days, thy goodness faileth never; Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house for ever. *Amen!*

[†]**unction:** *the act of anointing with oil* Words: *Psalm 23*, para. H. W. Baker (1821–1877) | Music: Traditional Irish, arr. 1977 Timothy Dommer

THE FIRST LESSON

Ezekiel 34:11–16; 23–24

pew Bible p. 722

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

HYMN

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

Nº 87 The Lord's My Shepherd

¶ The People sit.

THE SECOND LESSON

John 10:11–18

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ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks 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

The Good Shepherd

Adam Herndon

HYMN

¶ The People stand. Children return during the hymn.

Nº 600 He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought

¶ 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.

Recitative & Aria, from Messiah

G. F. Handel (1685–1759)

He was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgressions of thy people was he stricken. *Isa* 53:8 But thou didst not leave his soul in hell; nor didst thou suffer thy holy one to see corruption. *Ps* 16: 10

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 270 Good Christian Men, Rejoice and Sing Nº 268 Welcome, Happy Morning!

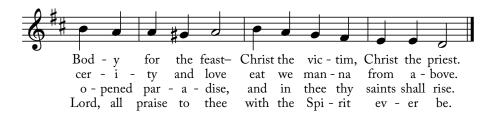
¶ After Communion, the People stand.

HYMN

Salzburg

At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise our vic to 2. Where the Pas - chal blood is poured, death's dark an - gel 3. Might - y vic - tim from the sky, hell's fierce powers be -Eas - ter tri - umph, Eas - ter This a - lone can 4. joy! to - rious King, who hath washed us in the tide sheathes his sword: Is rael's hosts tri um - phant go neath thee lie. Thou hast con - quered in the fight; sin de - stroy. From sin's power do thou set free, side; from his pierc - ed praise we flow - ing him, whose through the wave that drowns the foe. Praise we Christ, whose thou hast brought us life and light: now more no can re - born, dear Lord, souls in thee. Hymns of glo - ry, di - vine sa - cred Blood for wine, love gives his gives his blood was shed, Pas - chal vic - tim, Pas - chal bread; with sinno more the grave en-thrall; thou hast death ap - pall, now songs of praise, Fa - ther, un - to ris - en thee we raise;

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing



Words: Latin Breviary Hymn, c. 6th century; trans: 1849 | Robert Campbell (1814-1868) Music: *Salzburg*, 1678 | Jakob Hintze (1622-1702); harm: J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

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.

Variations on "At the Lamb's High Feast we Sing"

J. Pachelbel (1653–1706)

SERVICE LEADERS & PARTICIPANTS

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

Preaching Minister	Adam Herndon, <i>Minister of Discipleship</i>	

Assisting Ministers Polo Kim *Minister to Internationals* Randall Wetzig *Assistant Minister*

- ELDERS 8:30 John Yee 11:00 David Murgatroyd
- LAY READERS 8:30 Margaret Diffenderfer 11:00 Brenna Murgatroyd
 - MUSICIANS The Sanctuary Choir; Daniel Schmunk, *Director of Choral Music* Jessica Kelley, *soprano*

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

COLLECTIVE PRAYERS

"But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice." John 10:2-4

Let us pray together...

- That we as a church would hear the voice of the good shepherd and follow where he is leading us.
- That God would speak clearly to those he might be calling to participate in a short-term trip.
- For those serving in our Sunday morning Coffee Hour and meals teams, that they would be sustained and that through their work we would grow in warmth and community.
- For our missionaries Mike & Caroline; for patience, diligence and extra strength as they welcome new team members.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

More details at parkstreet.org/everything * Indicates childcare available. Preregistration may be required.

Today

Sunday Worship* | 8:30 am, 11 am, & 4 pm | Sanctuary Directory Booth | 9:30 am, 12:30 pm | Welcome Center Short-Term Missions: Is God Calling You? | 9:45am | Terrace Room Children's Choir, Sunday School, and Youth | 9:45 am | Various Rooms Hour of Prayer | 9:45 am | Conference Room 301 College Students Lunch | 12:30 pm | Common Room Park Street International Fellowship | 12:30 pm | Fellowship Hall

This Week

Morning Prayer | Weekdays 8:30 am | *parkstreet.org/morningprayer* Short-Term Missions: Is God Calling You? | Mon, 7 pm | Zoom Café Young Adults | Tue & Wed, 7 pm | *Welcome Center* The Men's Bible Study | Wed, 7:30 am | *Common Room* Woman's Benevolent Society | Wed, 10 am | *Granary Room* Life Together Women's Bible Study^{*} | Wed, 10 am | *Terrace Room* Home Ministry Outreach Meals | Thu, 5:45 pm & Sat, 8:30 am | *Fellowship Hall* Friendship Bible Study | Thu, 7 pm | *Sky Room* Friday Family Night | Fri, 7 pm | *Various Rooms* Calling all Men of PSC | Sat, 9:30 am | *Welcome Center*

General

Calling All Men of PSC | Sat, May 10 | 9:30 am | *Park Street Church* A morning of word, fellowship, and work (and breakfast!). Please register at parkstreet.org/everything.

Join the Directory | Today | *Welcome Center*

If you're a regular attendee or member, come to the directory booth in the Welcome Center today to find out how you can connect with others.

Adult Christian Education "Come to the Table" | May 18, 25, Jun 1 | 9:45 am A three-week class will focus on the sacrament of Communion.

Combined Summer Services & Meals

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.

Women's Eastertide Luncheon: Women of the Resurrection | Jun 8 | 12:30 pm Explore what it means for us to be alive in Christ. Register for lunch and childcare.

Short-Term Missions: Is God Calling You?

Today | 9:45 am | Terrace Room & Mon, May 5 | 7 pm | Zoom

Learn about summer opportunities for serving alongside our missionaries in South Africa, the Middle East and Central Asia, as well as a chance to join with other churches at an outreach event right here in Massachusetts.

Volunteer English Teachers Needed: Summer Session

Thu, May 15–Thu, Aug 14. Share the gospel and model the love of Jesus by teaching English a few hours each week. Visit **parkstreet.org/esl**.

Freedom Trail Guides Needed

We are looking for part-time historical guides to curate our collection and guide tourists for summer 2025. High-schoolers welcome. Training provided. Email **freedomtrail@parkstreet.org** for the application.

City Engagement

Join us serving and caring for our unhoused neighbors at our Home ministry or help us welcome refugees and other international neighbors through Sanctus Sports Fellowship, our Haitian ESL course, and our regular Afghan gatherings.

Visit parkstreet.org/cityengagement to learn more.

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!