

Service *of* Worship Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, July 20, 2025

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.

THE PRELUDE

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

Partita on Comfort, Comfort Ye My People (see hymn 197) Georg Böhm (1661–1733)

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader	Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers.
People	But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.
Leader	I will praise you, LORD, with an upright heart as I learn your righteous laws.
People	My lips shall pour forth your praise, when you have taught me your statutes.

HYMN

Nº 101 Come, Thou Almighty King

Italian Hymn

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

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

THE LESSON

Matthew 5:2–12

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ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

¶The People stand. (No Children's Church today)



Words: Hymns for the Young, 1836 | Dorothy Ann Thrupp (1779-1847) Music: Sicilian Mariners | from The European Magazine and London Review, 1792

[¶] The People sit.

II2

¶ The People stand. (Hymn $N_{2,734}$)

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.

The Gloria Patri, or "lesser Doxology," is traditionally sung or recited at the end of psalms, in order to place them in an explicitly Trinitarian frame.

¶ Following the prayer, the People sit.

$S \in R M O N$

The Man of God

Adam Herndon

HENDON

HYMN

¶ The People stand.

№ 585 Take My Life and Let it Be

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

(II AM)

The Exhortation

Profession of the One Faith

Question Do you renounce the devil and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

- *Question* Do you renounce the empty promises and deadly deceits of this world that corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?
- Answer I renounce them.
- *Question* Do you renounce the sinful desires of the flesh that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and confess him as your Lord and Savior?

pew Bible p. 509

Answer	I do.			
Question	Do you joyfully receive the Christian Faith, as revealed in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments?			
Answer	I do.			
Question	Will you obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in them all the days of your life?			
Answer	I will, with the Lord's help.			
¶ The People stand.				

Minister Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support *these persons* in *their* life in Christ?

People We will.

¶ The Minister then says

Let us join with *these Candidates* to proclaim our faith in the words of the ancient baptismal confession, the Apostles' Creed.

Minister Do you believe and trust in God the Father? I do. I believe in God the Father almighty, People creator of heaven and earth. Minister Do you believe and trust in Jesus Christ? I do. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. People He 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. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. Minister Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit? People I do. 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.

Prayer for the Candidates

¶ The Minister prays, concluding with

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

¶ The People sit.

The Baptism

_____, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

_____, do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, to fight bravely under his banner against the world, the flesh, and the devil, and to continue as his faithful soldier and servant to the end of your days. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

¶ The People kneel or sit as the Minister leads them in thanksgiving for the newly baptized, and in prayer for the church, the world, the sick, and the suffering.

OFFERTORY

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

It Is Well With My Soul (see hymn 691)

Words: Horatio Spofford (1828–1888) | Music: arr. John Ness Beck (1930–1987)

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

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Foundation

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.

Rejoice Greatly, O My Soul

Georg Böhm (1661–1733)

SERVICE LEADERS & PARTICIPANTS

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

Preacher	Adam Herndon, Minister of Discipleship		
Assisting Minister	Randal	l Wetzig, Assistant Minister	
Elders	8:30 11:00	Andrew Buckler Mary Harvey	
Lay Readers	8:30 11:00	Carolyn Cummings Margaret Diffenderfer	
Musicians	-	r Velázquez, <i>guest organist</i> rannen Chang, <i>soprano</i>	
Candidate for Baptism	11:00	Matthew Grass	

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

COLLECTIVE PRAYERS

"The righteous one is not afraid of bad news; his heart is firm, trusting in the Lord." Psalm 112:7

Let us pray together...

- For those in Boston whose health is threatened by summer heat, that God, as our shade, would provide for them and protect them. (Psalm 121)
- For our Central Asia Short-Term Mission Team, that God would give them wisdom, courage, and strength as they travel and minister.
- That our music ministry would be empowered by the Holy Spirit, leading us in responding to who God is and what he has done.
- For our missionaries Tom and Michelle, for energy, creativity and strength as they minister to young professionals.

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

Jesus Above All

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Today

Sunday Worship^{*} | 8:30 am, 11 am, & 4 pm | Sanctuary Hour of Prayer | 9:45 am | Conference Room 301 Park Street International Fellowship | 1:30 pm | Various Rooms

This Week

Morning Prayer | Weekdays, 8:30 am | *parkstreet.org/morningprayer* Café Young Adults | Tue & Wed, 7 pm | *Welcome Center* Home Ministry Outreach Meals | Thu, 5:45 pm & Sat, 8:30 am | *Fellowship Hall* **Friendship Bible Study Movie Night | Thu, Jul 24 | 6:30–8:30 pm |** *Granary Room* Missions Summer Book Study | Thu, 7:30 pm | *Zoom* PSIF Summer Retreat | Fri–Sun | *Toah Nipi Christian Retreat Center* College Summer Bible Study | Fri, 7:00 pm | *Wilson House* Missions Summer Book Study | Thu, 7:30 pm | *Zoom* All-Church Prayer | Sat, 8:30 am | *Zoom* Haitian ESL Classes | Sat, 9:30 am | *Granary Room* and *Common Room*

General

Friendship Bible Study Movie Night | Thu, Jul 24 | 6:30 pm | *Granary Room* A movie night for adults who appreciate a slower pace. Newcomers are welcome; email fbsfriends@parkstreet.org for more information.

College Summer Bible Study | Fri, Jul-Aug | Wilson House

All college students are invited to join our College Summer Bible Study at the Wilson House in Cambridge for scripture (the book of James), fellowship, dessert, and worship. Contact Alex Ichimura (ayichimura@gmail.com).

All-Church Prayer July Schedule Sat Jul 19 & 26, 8:30 am | Zoom

City Engagement

Serve and care for our unhoused neighbors at our Home ministry or help us welcome refugees and other international neighbors through weekly soccer with Sanctus Sports Fellowship, our Haitian ESL classes, and our regular Afghan gatherings. Learn more via cityengagement@parkstreet.org or at parkstreet.org/ cityengagement.

Job Opportunities at Park Street School

Park Street School has several open teaching and administrative positions for the 2025–2026 school year. Inquire for more info at employment@parkstreetschool.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 on a third Sunday of the month, where you can meet other newcomers and church leaders, hear about our community and ask questions. We look forward to knowing you better!