



Welcome

SERVICE *of* WORSHIP

Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, August 31, 2025

***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.*

*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

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

Choral, 1911

J. Jongen (1873–1953)

INTROIT

(11 AM)

God Be in My Head

God be in my head, and in my understanding,
God be in mine 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 mine end, and at my departing.

Words: Sarum Primer, 1514 | Music: H. W. Davies (1869–1941)

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 92

Leader It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord,
and to sing praises unto your Name, O Most High.
People To tell of your loving-kindness early in the morning,
and of your faithfulness in the night season,
Leader upon an instrument of ten strings and upon the lute,
with the sound of melody upon the harp.
People For you, Lord, have made me glad by your deeds,
and I will shout for joy because of your handiwork.

HYMN

Nº 457 Come Thou Fount

NETTLETON

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 & LIFE OF THE CHURCH

ANTHEM

(II AM)

Let Joyful Anthems Rise, *from the Oratorio Samson*

Let joyful anthems rise, O praise the Lord.
His name we laud, O praise the Lord.
His might is sure, his steadfast love endures for evermore;
Unending praise we sing, his name we laud.
His might and love are sure.
Let joyful anthems rise, O praise the Lord.

Words: Newburgh Hamilton (1691–1761), Judges 16

Music: G. F. Handel (1685–1758), arr. Hal Hopson (1933–2025)

THE LESSON

Hebrews 13:1–6

pew Bible p. 1009

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.*

N^o 108 Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right

WAS GOTT TUT

¶ *The People sit.*

THE PSALM

118

pew Bible p. 511

¶ *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.

¶ *The Gloria Patri, or "lesser Doxology," is traditionally sung or said at the end of psalms, in order to place them in an explicitly Trinitarian frame. Following the prayer, the People sit.*

SERMON

Living Under God's Steadfast Love

Mark Booker

HYMN

¶ *The People stand.*

Nº 660 O God Beyond All Praising

THAXTED

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.*

Recit & Aria, *from Elijah*

Thus saith the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel
and his Holy One, to him oppressed by tyrants; thus saith the Lord:

'I am he that comforteth.

Be not afraid, for I am thy God,

I will strengthen thee;

I the Lord, will strengthen thee;

for I, thy God, will strengthen thee.

Say, who art thou, that thou art afraid of a man that shall die;
and forgettest the Lord, the Lord thy maker,
who hath stretched forth the heavens,
and laid the earth's foundations?'

Words: Isa. 49:25; 41:10; 51:12-13 | Music: F. Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

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

In Christ Alone



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| <p>1 In Christ alone my hope is found;
 he is my light, my strength, my song;
 this cornerstone, this solid ground,
 firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
 What heights of love, what depths of peace,
 when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
 My comforter, my all in all—
 here in the love of Christ I stand.</p> | <p>3 There in the ground his body lay,
 light of the world by darkness slain;
 then bursting forth in glorious day,
 up from the grave he rose again!
 And as he stands in victory,
 sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
 for I am his and he is mine—
 bought with the precious blood of Christ.</p> |
| <p>2 In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
 fullness of God in helpless babe!
 This gift of love and righteousness,
 scorned by the ones he came to save.
 Till on that cross as Jesus died,
 the wrath of God was satisfied;
 for every sin on him was laid—
 here in the death of Christ I live.</p> | <p>4 No guilt in life, no fear in death—
 this is the pow'r of Christ in me;
 from life's first cry to final breath,
 Jesus commands my destiny.
 No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
 can ever pluck me from his hand;
 till he returns or calls me home—
 here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.</p> |

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Music: *In Christ Alone*, 2000 | Keith Getty (b. 1974) LMD

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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.*

Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals, 1911
Originally subtitled "A Victory Song of Israel"

S. Karg-Elert (1877–1933)

SERVICE LEADERS & PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, *Senior Minister*

Nathan Skinner, *Director of Music*

ASSISTING MINISTER Leonard Mosiah, *Minister to Youth*

ELDER David Murgatroyd

LAY READERS 8:30 Mike Ahearn

11:00 Brenna Murgatroyd

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

Jennifer Schmunk, *soprano*

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

COLLECTIVE PRAYERS

"It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in man. It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes." Psalm 118:8-9

Let us pray together...

- For newly arrived people settling into Boston, that they would meet Jesus here, whether they know him already or have never heard his name.
- For those in our community who are suffering from illness or physical limitations, that God would heal them and give them peace.
- That the Church in Boston would be united under the lordship and good news of Jesus Christ.
- For our missionaries Andrew & Sophia, serving in East Asia, as they begin to train new missionaries this September.

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*

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

This Week

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

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*

All-Church Prayer | Sat, 8:30-9:30 am | *Zoom*

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

General

Kickoff Sunday | Sun, Sep 7

Get connected to ministries, missions, and communities as we look toward the fall and upcoming year. Leaders of various groups and ministries will be available in the Welcome Center and Ockenga Lobby throughout the day.

Sunday School in Regions | Sundays, beginning Sep 14 | 9:45 am

Beginning this fall, we aim to grow in our love and knowledge of God's Word and to continue learning to know and love each other through adult Sunday School for the whole church, organized by geographical regions, meeting throughout the year.

All Church Prayer

In-person in the Welcome Center on Friday, Sep 5 at 7:30 pm. On Zoom the second, third and fourth Saturdays at 8:30 am, with a focus on Missions the fourth Saturday.

The Men's Bible Study

Wednesdays, begins Sep 3 | 7:30–8:30 am | *Common Room*

Come for the Chick-fil-A, the friendship, and to be renewed by the gospel as we study the Book of Job through September and October.

Life Together Women's Bible Study*

Wednesdays, begins Sep 17 | 10:00–11:30 am | *Terrace Room*

Join a multi-generational, multi-stage women's community to study the Old Testament prophets. Childcare available for ages 0–4.

Elder and Officer Nominations

Please pray for the future leaders of our church and for those tasked with searching for them. If you have suggestions for the Nominating Committee (for either Elder or Officer), write to nominatingcommittee@parkstreet.org.

Home Ministry Clothing Donations

We are very low on men's and women's clothing to support the 100+ men and women who come to our weekly Thursday dinner and Saturday breakfast. We urgently desire adult clothing, all tops and bottoms, especially t-shirts, shorts, pants, and shoes of all kinds.

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!



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