

Welcome

SERVICE *of* WORSHIP
8:30 AM

Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, September 14, 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. Immediately at the conclusion of the prelude, the People stand.*

Prelude in F Major

Fanny Mendelssohn Hensel (1805–1847)

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 33

Leader Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous;
it is fitting for the just to be thankful.

People By the word of the Lord were the heavens made,
and all the hosts of them by the breath of his mouth.

Leader Praise the Lord with the harp;
sing praises unto him with the ten-stringed lute.

People Let all the earth fear the Lord;
stand in awe of him, all you that dwell in the world.

Leader Sing unto him a new song;
make skillful melody and cry aloud with joy.

People For he spoke, and it was done;
he commanded and it stood fast.

HYMN

Nº 115 All Creatures of Our God and King

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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 daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
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

Christ the True and Better

Christ the true and better Adam, Son of God and Son of man,
Who, when tempted in the garden never yielded, never sinned,
he who makes the many righteous, brings us back to life again,
dying, he reversed the curse, then rising, crushed the serpent's head.

Christ the true and better Isaac, humble son of sacrifice,
Who would climb the fearful mountain there to offer up his life,
Laid with faith upon the altar, father's joy and only son,
There salvation was provided— oh, what full and boundless love!

Christ the true and better Moses, called to lead a people home,
Standing bold to earthly powers, God's great glory to be known,
With his arms stretched wide to heaven, see the waters part in two:
See, the veil is torn for ever, cleansed with blood we pass now through.

Christ the true and better David, lowly shepherd, mighty King
He, the champion in the battle: where, O death, is now thy sting?
In our place he bled and conquered, crown him Lord of majesty.
His shall be the throne for ever, we shall e'er his people be.

Words & Music: Matt Boswell, Matt Papa | 2021

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THE FIRST LESSON

Exodus 2:23–3:15

pew Bible p. 45

Reader **The Word of the Lord.**

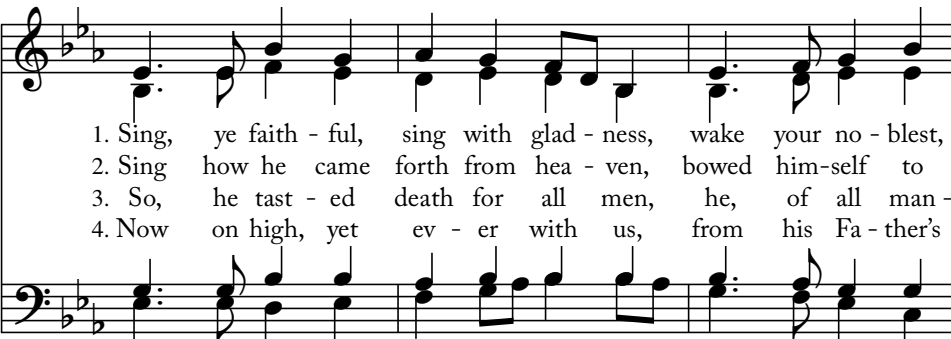
People **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN

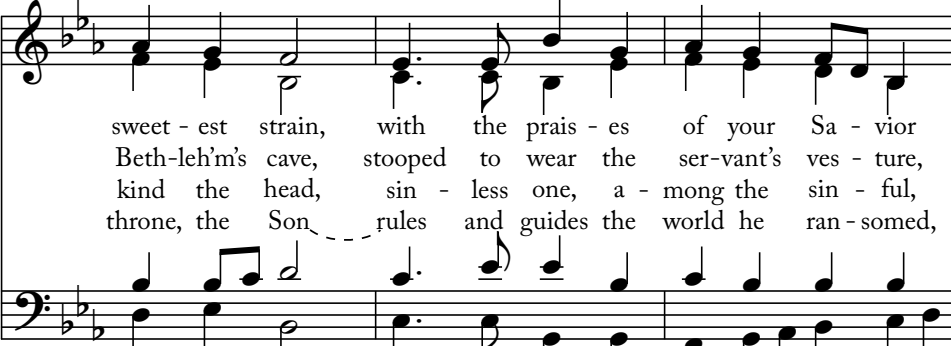
¶ *A Minister prays for the Children. The People stand; Children are dismissed to Children's Church during the hymn.*

Sing, Ye Faithful, Sing with Gladness

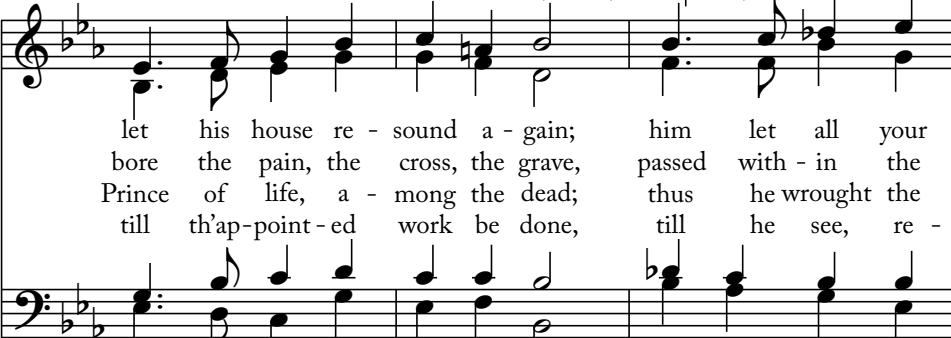
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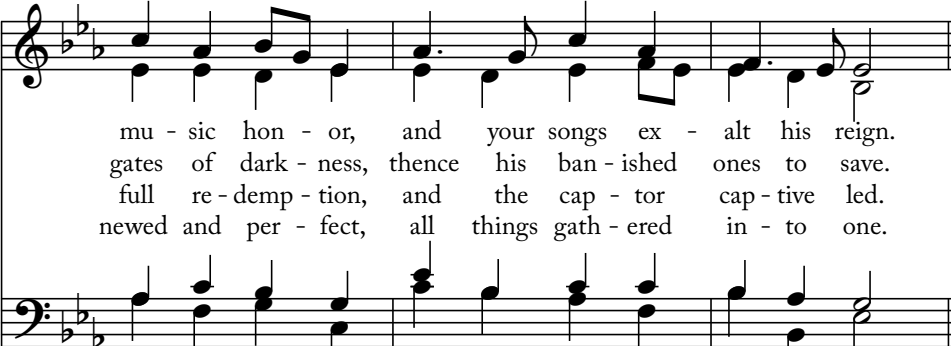
1. Sing, ye faith - ful, sing with glad - ness, wake your no - blest,
 2. Sing how he came forth from hea - ven, bowed him-self to
 3. So, he tast - ed death for all men, he, of all man -
 4. Now on high, yet ev - er with us, from his Fa - ther's



sweet - est strain, with the prais - es of your Sa - vior
 Beth-leh'm's cave, stooped to wear the ser - vant's ves - ture,
 kind the head, sin - less one, a - mong the sin - ful,
 throne, the Son, rules and guides the world he ran - somed,



let his house re - sound a - gain; him let all your
 bore the pain, the cross, the grave, passed with - in the
 Prince of life, a - mong the dead; thus he wrought the
 till th'ap - point - ed work be done, till he see, re -



mu - sic hon - or, and your songs ex - alt his reign.
 gates of dark - ness, thence his ban - ished ones to save.
 full re - demp - tion, and the cap - tor cap - tive led.
 newed and per - fect, all things gath - ered in - to one.

Words: John Ellerton (1826-1893)

Music: *Finnian*, 1975 | Christopher Dearnley (1930-2000)

¶ *The People sit.*

THE SECOND LESSON

John 20:19–23

pew Bible p. 906

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

The God Who Sees and Sends

Mark Booker

HYMN

¶ *The People stand.*

№ 26 Tell Out, My Soul

WOODLANDS

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.*

Gigue, *from Trio Sonata in C minor*

J. Goldberg (1727–1756)

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 94 How Firm a Foundation

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.*

Psalm 19: *The Heavens Declare the Glory of God*

B. Marcello (1686–1739)

SERVICE LEADERS & PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, *Senior Minister*

Nathan Skinner, *Director of Music*

ASSISTING MINISTER Adam Herndon *Minister of Discipleship*

ELDER Kirstin Peltz

LAY READER David Idowu, *Van Baay House resident, Harvard Divinity School student*

MUSICIANS Ashley Schumacher, *voice*

Samuel Bigus, *upright bass*

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

COLLECTIVE PRAYERS

"But Moses implored the Lord his God..." Exodus 32:11

Let us pray together...

- For newly arrived students, individuals, and families settling into Boston, that they would meet Jesus here, whether they know him already or have never heard his name.
- For our Sunday morning Coffee Hour and Welcome teams, that they would be sustained and that through their work we would grow in warmth and community.
- For our missionary Jim in his work supporting Bible translation for Central Asia, that God would encourage and give him wisdom in his work.
- For those in our city facing financial hardship and housing insecurity, that God would provide for them and give us wisdom for how to come alongside them.

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

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

Sunday School in Regions | 9:45 am | *Various Rooms*

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

Park Street International Fellowship | 12:30 pm | *Fellowship Hall*

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

College Student Lunch | 12:30 pm | *Sky Room*

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*

Woman's Benevolent Society | Wed, 10 am | *Granary Room*

Life Together Women's Bible Study | Wed, 10 am | *Terrace Room*

Fall Term ESL Registration | Thu, 9:30-10:30 am | *Fellowship Hall*

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

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

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

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

Other Small Groups and Bible Studies | Various Times | *See parkstreet.org/groups*

General

Sunday School in Regions: The Gospel of Matthew | 9:45 am

Beginning today, the whole church is invited to grow in our love and knowledge of God's Word and of each other through adult Sunday School. Groups will be organized by geographical regions and will meet throughout the year. Locations:

Downtown and North: *Terrace Room*

Cambridge Somerville and Northwest: *Common Room*

SW Boston & Brookline, South, and West: *Granary Room*

College Students Lunch | Sundays | 12:30 pm | *Sky Room*

Join our college ministry after the 11:00 am service for lunch and community engagement in life and the Word. All students are welcome!

Newcomers Lunch | Today, Sep 21, & Sep 28 | 12:30 pm | *Granary Room*

If you're new to Park Street and considering making it your home church, welcome! Meet some of our leaders as we enjoy good food together.

RSVP to new@parkstreet.org.

Joining the Sanctuary Choir

“I will sing and give praise with the best that I have.” *Ps. 108:1* If you’re interested in being part of the choir, we’d love to hear from you at choir@parkstreet.org.

Reception for Short-Term Mission Teams | Sun, Sep 21 | 12:30 pm | *Location TBA*

Hear stories from this summer’s short-term mission teams. Members of the Central Asia; Lewiston, ME; and South Africa teams are eager to share their experiences with you.

Fall 2025 Expressive Arts Workshop | Fridays, Sep 26 - Dec 12 | 7-8:30 pm

This workshop is open to adults interested in the arts and mental health. No artistic experience is required. Register in Church Center by Thu, Sep 25. Questions? Email Gabriëlle Tong at gabrielle@vankleefdesigns.com.

Family Ministry Apple Picking | Sat, Sep 27 | 10 am- 1 pm | *Russell Orchards*

We hope you’ll join us for a fun afternoon together. Please register so we know who to expect. Register on Church Center.

Women’s Ministry Luncheon and Worship | Sun, Sep 28, 12:45 pm | *Terrace Room*

Join us as we begin our fall connecting with God and other women and lifting our voices together in worship. Register in Church Center.

New Members Class | Sundays, Oct 19, 26, & Nov 2, 12:30 pm | *Granary Room*

Join us three Sundays for lunch and an exploration of the community life, theological convictions, and unique priorities of Park Street Church. Register at parkstreet.org/everything by Oct 14.

Global Mission Conference 2025 | Nov 9-16

Save the dates for this year’s Global Mission Conference, “Looking Back, Moving Forward,” to explore the rich history of Park Street Missions and seek God’s guidance to live on mission together.

Real-time Translation of Service

To make our service accessible for non-English speakers, we have a new tool that enables real-time translation of the sermon on Sunday mornings. Do you know anyone who might benefit? parkstreet.org/translate

Sermon Q&A with Pastor Mark | 12:30~12:50 pm | *Front of the Sanctuary*

During September, Mark will be available in the front of the sanctuary to address questions about the sermon (or the Christian faith/Jesus more generally).

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!



DID YOU KNOW...?

The theme for the Global Mission Conference 2025 is "Looking Back, Moving Forward," and as we approach the conference, we would like to share some interesting facts each week from our two hundred-year history of missions at Park Street Church...

Did you know that the founding of Park Street Church in 1809 was one of three seminal events in the trinitarian Evangelical movement at the start of the 19th century? The other two, the founding of the Divinity School at Andover in 1807 and the organization of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions in 1810, complemented the church's beginning by providing orthodox ministers for her pulpit and a means to bring the gospel to the ends of the earth.



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