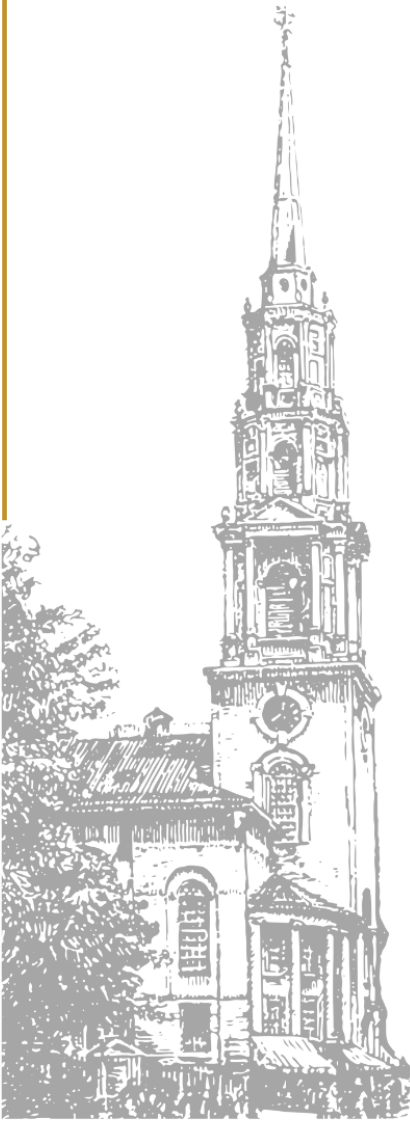




Welcome

SERVICE *of* WORSHIP

Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, October 26, 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 pилcrow 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.*

The Royal Banners Forward Go

arr. Thomas Gieschen (1931–2006)

INTROIT (II AM)

Above All Praise and All Majesty

Above all praise and above all majesty

Lord, thou reignest evermore.

Hallelujah.

Music: F. Mendelssohn (1809–1847)

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 28

Leader Praise be to the Lord, for he has heard my cry for mercy.

People **The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart has trusted in him,
and I am helped; therefore my heart dances for joy,
and in my song will I praise him.**

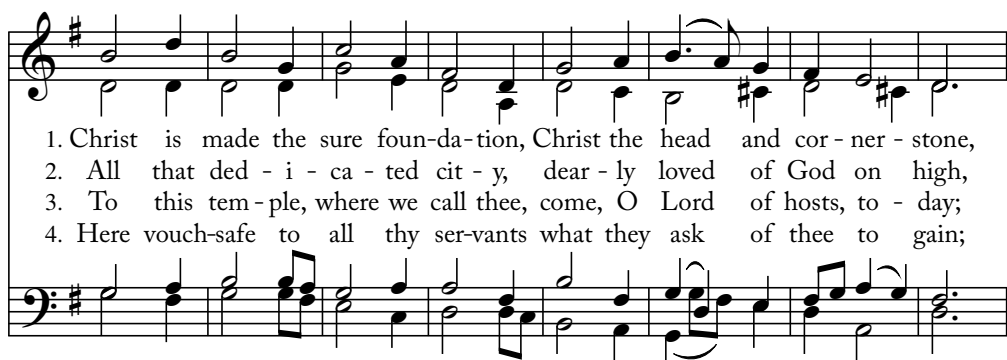
Leader The Lord is the strength of his people,
and he is the sure defense of his Anointed.

People **O save your people and bless your heritage;
be their shepherd and carry them for ever.**

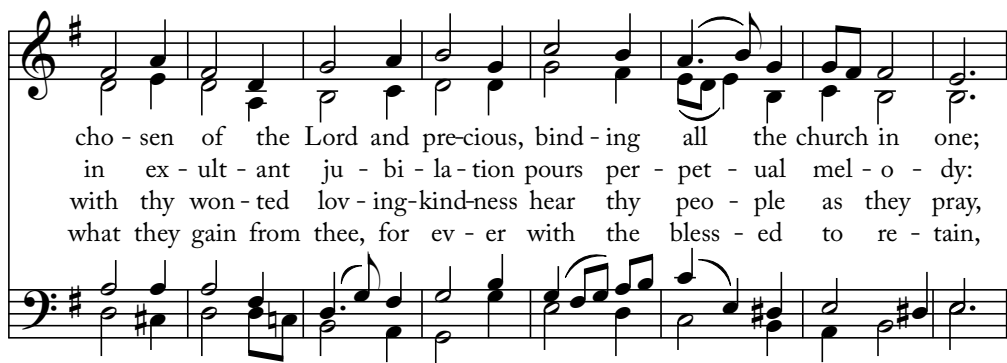
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Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

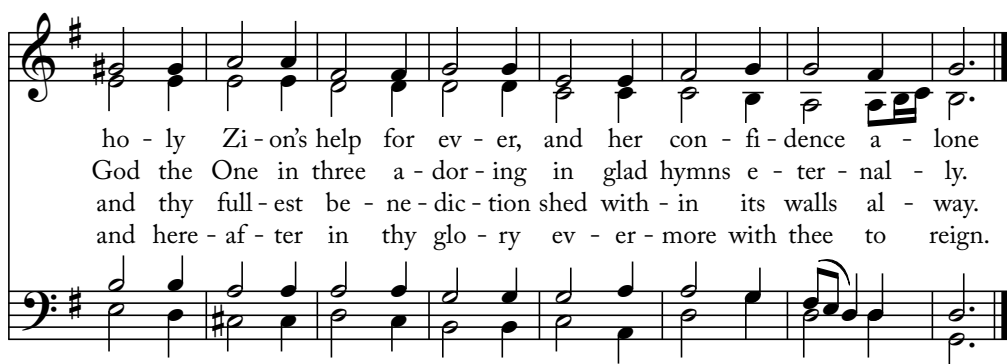
WESTMINSTER ABBEY



1. Christ is made the sure foun-da-tion, Christ the head and cor-ner-stone,
 2. All that ded-i-ca-ted cit-y, dear-ly loved of God on high,
 3. To this tem-ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of hosts, to-day;
 4. Here vouch-safe to all thy ser-vants what they ask of thee to gain;



cho-sen of the Lord and pre-cious, bind-ing all the church in one;
 in ex-ult-ant ju-bi-la-tion pours per-pet-u-al mel-o-dy:
 with thy won-ted lov-ing-kind-ness hear thy peo-ple as they pray,
 what they gain from thee, for ev-er with the bless-ed to re-tain,



ho-ly Zi-on's help for ev-er, and her con-fi-dence a-lone
 God the One in three a-dor-ing in glad hymns e-ter-nal-ly.
 and thy full-est be-ne-dic-tion shed with-in its walls al-way.
 and here-after in thy glo-ry ev-er-more with thee to reign.

5. Laud and honor to the Father,
 laud and honor to the Son,
 laud and honor to the Spirit
 ever Three and ever One;
 One in might and One in glory,
 while unending ages run!

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

ANTHEM

(8:30 AM)

¶ *The People stand, and may sing the bold text.*

Christ the True and Better Adam

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 People sit.*

(II AM)

Since By Man Came Death, from *Messiah*

Since by man came death,
by man came also the resurrection of the dead.
For as in Adam all die,
even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

Words: 1 Corinthians 15:21-22 | Music: G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

THE FIRST LESSON

Exodus 13:20-14:31

pew Bible p. 56

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 30 Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

ST. ANNE

¶ *The People sit.*

THE SECOND LESSON

Mark 4:35-41

pew Bible p. 839

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 Salvation of the LORD

Mark Booker

HYMN

¶ *The People stand.*

Nº 21 Sing Praise to the Lord!

LAUDATE DOMINUM

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.*

Allegro, from Sonata in F Major

B. Marcello (1686-1739)

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 345 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

AUSTRIA

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.*

Allegro maestoso e vivace, from *Sonata in B-flat Major*

F. Mendelssohn (1809–1847)

SERVICE LEADERS & PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, *Senior Minister*

Nathan Skinner, *Director of Music*

ASSISTING MINISTER Randall Wetzig, *Assistant Minister*

ELDERS 8:30 Mary Harvey

 11:00 Steven James Weibley

LAY READERS 8:30 Sophie Wetzig

 11:00 Roselle Heckendorn

MUSICIANS The Sanctuary Choir; Jonathan VanderWoude, *conducting*

 Julianne Johnston, *flute*

 Ashley Schumacher, *voice*

 Samuel Bigus, *upright bass*

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

COLLECTIVE PRAYERS

“But Moses implored the Lord his God ...” Exodus 32:11a

Let us pray together...

- For our Friendship Bible Study, that through this ministry adults of all abilities would grow as disciples of Jesus.
- For sustained peace, only available through Jesus, around the globe.
- For our upcoming Global Mission Conference, that the Holy Spirit would move in us to join God’s mission in the world.
- For those in our congregation mourning the loss of a loved one.

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*

Sunday School in Regions | 9:45 am | *Welcome Center, Granary, & Common Rooms*

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

Harp & Organ Concert | 12:30 pm | *Sanctuary*

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

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

New Members Class | 12:30 pm | *Granary Room*

This Week

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

ESL Classes & Activities* | Tue, Wed, & Thu | *Various Rooms*

Café Young Adults | Tue & Wed, 7 pm | *Welcome Center*

The Men’s Bible Study | Wed, 7:30 am | *Welcome Center*

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*

Expressive Arts Workshop | Fri, 7 pm | *Common Room*

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

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

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

Men's Meat Night | Sat, 5:30 pm | *Richey Home, Charlestown*

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

General

Harp & Organ Concert | Today, 12:30 pm | *Sanctuary*

Join harpist Chaerin Kim and Director of Music Nathan Skinner for a brief (30 mins) concert. As the people of Israel did when God delivered them through the Red Sea, we will respond to God's great works of salvation with music.

Men's Meat Night | Sat, Nov 1, 5:30–8:00 pm | *Richey Home, Charlestown*

Join us for an evening of good food and fellowship! We'll gather for a relaxed backyard barbecue open to all men, including friends.

Youth Outing to Boston Museum of Ice Cream |

Fri, Nov 7, 7 pm | *Boston Museum of Ice Cream*

Students, join us for an exciting night of ice cream, fun, and friendship. Register on Church Center (\$30, but first 15 registrants can bring a friend for free!) or contact Pastor Leonard at Imosiah@parkstreet.org with questions.

Youth Friendsgiving | Fri, Nov 21, 7 pm | *Westgate Church, Weston*

Join us for "Friendsgiving," a Thanksgiving celebration centered on our friendships in Christ, hosted with other churches. Register on Church Center.

Perspectives Course | Jan 12 - May 4, 6-9 pm | *YWAM Boston (Somerville)*

Perspectives is a fifteen-lesson discipleship course exploring different aspects of God's global purpose in a multi-faceted learning experience. Visit perspectives.org for more information and to register, or email bmperspectives@gmail.com with questions.

4pm Service Update

Following several months of prayer and conversations with congregants in a variety of forums, the Board of Elders has made the decision to discontinue the 4pm service. This decision, its context, and next steps are more fully explained in an email sent to the church on October 17. While acknowledging the sadness of this decision for some, the elders and ministers are eager to engage further with congregants as we discern new possibilities for the future.

Financial Update

The church operates two budgets: one for Ministry and Operations (M&O) and another for Missions. The combined annual budget for each is approximately \$5.2M, or \$314K per month.

Ministry & Operations (M&O)

Through Sept 30, contribution income was \$1.4M, 6% below 2024 levels, resulting in a current deficit of \$587K.

Missions

Through Sept 30, contribution income was \$797K, 11% below 2024 levels, resulting in a current deficit of \$108K.

Overall Financial Position

As of Sept 30, the church is operating at a combined deficit of \$691K. Giving got off to a slow start this year, but we rejoice that in recent months the Lord has stirred his people and giving has been steadily increasing. Let us all pray that we may finish the year in December with momentum, generosity, and a balanced budget to the glory of God.

GLOBAL MISSION CONFERENCE 2025

Looking Back, Moving Forward

Nov 9-16

This November at the Global Mission Conference we will declare the wonderous works of God that he has allowed our church to be a part of for the last 200+ years. As we take this opportunity to look back at our rich missions history, it will be with a view toward moving forward to carry the gospel into the next century. The full schedule and more details are available on the Global Missions Conference page of our website.

Highlighted Events

GMC25: All-Church Prayer for Missions | Sun, Nov 9, 4 pm | Sanctuary

Join us for a moving evening of prayer and worship, as we highlight the past 200+ years of Park Street's missions history, and pray for God to continue the work that He started through us as we move forward to live on mission.

GMC25: Dinner and a Story | Fri, Nov 14, 6 pm | Welcome Center

Join us for an evening of story telling from Park Street's rich missions history. Also enjoy a delicious ethnic meal. The meal begins at 6:00pm and the program at 7:00pm. Register on Church Center for the meal, which costs \$15.

DID YOU KNOW...?

As we approach the Global Mission Conference, are sharing facts each week from our two hundred-year history of missions at Park Street...

God used Park Street Church missionary and eye surgeon Andrew Karsgaard, MD to found Bach Christian Hospital near Abbottabad, Qalandarabad, Pakistan. The roots of the hospital reach back to 1952 when Dr. Karsgaard opened a dispensary and clinic to help the medically underserved in northern Pakistan, caring for 100 patients each day in addition to performing surgeries. Dr. Karsgaard's father, a building contractor, wanted to construct a mission hospital for his son, but died before his desire was fulfilled. Instead, various missionaries voted each to contribute \$10 a month (of their \$66 monthly earnings) into a rent fund. Their investments and other funding allowed the doctors and The Evangelical Alliance Mission to break ground on the hospital in 1956. Today, Bach Christian Hospital continues to provide medical care, education, and training with a strong Christian witness.

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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