

Service of Holy Communion

Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, October 5, 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.

Festival Prelude on "A Mighty Fortress"

W. Faulkes (1863–1933)

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 46 & 47

Leader God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

People Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea.

Leader O come and behold the works of the Lord—he makes wars to cease in all the world.

People The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Clap your hands together, all you peoples;O cry aloud unto God with shouts of joy.

People For God is the King of all the earth; think upon his mighty acts and praise him with a song.

HYMN

Nº 92 A Mighty Fortress

EIN FESTE BURG

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 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.

Jesus Strong and Kind

Jesus said that if I thirst, I should come to him. No one else can satisfy, I should come to him.

Jesus said if I am weak, I should come to him. No one else can be my strength, I should come to him.

For the Lord is good and faithful; he will keep us day and night. We can always run to Jesus: Jesus, strong and kind.

Jesus said that if I fear, I should come to him. No one else can be my shield, I should come to him. (Chorus)

Jesus said if I am lost, he will come to me, And he showed me on that cross, he will come to me. (Chorus, sung twice)

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¶ The People sit.

(IIAM)

Praise

To the Master of music and loveliness: *Praise, power, dominion for ever.*To the Lord of the word of creation *Be praise, power, dominion for ever.*

To the Maker of movement, color and light: Praise, power, dominion for ever.

To the Builder, Designer, Creator,
Be praise, power, dominion for ever. To the Theme of all song, Inspiration of love: To the Artist of Life, To the Greatest and Least: Praise, power, dominion for ever.

For he is the greatest upon his high throne, And he was the least as the child of a maiden. Praise then to Jesus, whose Mother was Mary; And praise now to Christ, who is God in the midst of us.

Lord of all beauty, adoring we come to thee: Give us thyself both in time and eternity. Lord of all beauty, adoring we come to thee, Offering all that we are, or can hope to be, Lord of all beauty:

Praise, power, dominion for ever.

Words: Aidan Clarke | Music: Alec Rowley (1892–1958)

THE FIRST LESSON

Exodus 9:13-35

pew Bible p. 51

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 299 Look, Ye Saints, the Sight Is Glorious

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¶ The People sit.

THE SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 1:15-23

pew Bible p. 976

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

God's Power Made Manifest

Mark Booker

HYMN

¶ The People stand. Children return during the hymn.

Nº 2 O Worship the King (stanzas 1-5)

Lyons

APOSTLES' CREED

¶ 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.

Flute Tune

T. Arne (1710-1778)

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.

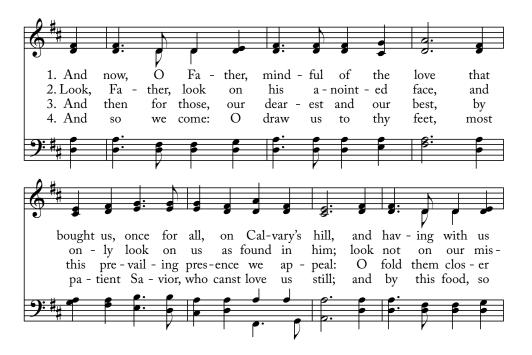
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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:

And Now O Father Mindful of the Love





Words: William Bright (1824-1901), alt.

Music: Unde et memores | William H. Monk (1823-1889)

† weal: well-being

Nº 421 Soul Adorn Yourself with Gladness

Schmücke Dich

¶ After Communion, the People stand.



Words: 1907 | Henry van Dyke (1852-1933); Music: from Symphony no. 9 | L. van Beethoven (1770-1827)

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. At the end of worship, we are sent out into the world to fulfill God's mission, which is sometimes liturgically enacted in a closing procession with processional music (the Latin pro cedere means forward movement.) There is never a "Recession" in Christian worship. (see Phil. 3:14)

Processional	Grayston Ives (b. 1948)

SERVICE LEADERS & PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, Senior Minister Nathan Skinner, Director of Music

Assisting Ministers Adam Herndon, Minister of Discipleship
Polo Kim, Minister to Internationals

Elder David Murgatroyd

Lay Readers 8:30 Marty Lindemann

11:00 Christine Vasko

Musicians The Sanctuary Choir; Daniel Schmunk, Director of Choral Music

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 our Women's ministry, that through it God would further his mission of renewal for the whole world.
- For wisdom for Christians in Boston and around the globe as we consider the impact of new technologies as disciples of Jesus.
- For our missionaries Alberto & Joanna Parada serving in prison ministry in South Africa, that God would give them protection and energy as they return from a trip to the US.
- For each of our neighbors.

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

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...

Park Street missionaries Henry Lyman and Samuel Munson were in Sumatra less than a year when they set off on a fact-finding trip to the Batak tribe of northern Sumatra. On June 28, 1834, on their way to the village, the two were speared by Batak warriors. Thirty years later, a people movement swept through the Batak when a German Lutheran missionary, Ludwig Nommensen, studied the research of Lyman and Munson and went to the Batak cannibals with a new approach based on the missionaries' data. Over the years, he learned the customs of the Batak people and transformed many aspects of Batak culture with the Christian faith. By 1876, there were 2,000 Batak believers and by Nommensen's death in 1918, there were 180,000 Batak believers, 34 Batak pastors and 788 teacher-preachers.

"The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church."

— Tertullian



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, and Common Rooms

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

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

College Student Lunch | 12:30 pm | Sky Room

This Week

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

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 | 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

Expressive Arts Workshop | Fri, 7 pm | Common Room

Youth Group | Fri, 7 pm | Youth Room

All-Church Prayer | Fri, 7:30-9 pm | Welcome Center

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

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

General

All-Church Lunch | Next Sun, Oct 12 | 12:30 pm

Take this chance to get to know others from across the church as we gather after the 11 am service for lunch. If you'd like to help cooking on Saturday or serving on Sunday, email hospitality@parkstreet.org.

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.

4 pm Service Discussion | Today, After each service | Library

After each service this Sunday, a minister and elder will be in the library to share a brief update about current thinking around our 4:00 PM service. All are welcome to attend.

Tweens Hayride and Bonfire | Sat, Oct 18 | *Krochmal Farms, Tewksbury* Join us for a hayride, bonfire, and s'mores. Cost is \$40, with scholarships available. Register on Church Center by October 12th and invite a friend!

Family Pumpkin Carving | Sat, Oct 25 | Larz Anderson Park Join us for our 5th annual outdoor pumpkin carving meet-up. Register

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Friendship Bible Study | Thursdays, beginning Oct 2, 7 pm | *Sky Room* A Bible study for adults (19+) who appreciate a slower pace. Newcomers are welcome. Email fbsfriends@parkstreet.org for more information.

Faith Journey Women's Bible Study | Thursdays, 9:45 am | Mount Hope Christian Church, Belmont

This multi-church, intergenerational bible study meets Thursdays during the school year. For more information, please email faithjourney@parkstreet.org.

Join the Nursery Team

Serving just once a month helps provide a safe, welcoming space for our youngest members while giving parents the chance to worship with peace of mind. Email Stephanie (sverrengia@parkstreet.org).

4th Trimester Ministry

The 4th Trimester Ministry at Park Street Church supports moms in the first months after birth, or after a loss, with home visits, warm meals, small gifts, and encouragement. Contact Lisa (lstankee@gmail.com) or Stephanie (sverrengia@parkstreet.org) if you'd like support or would like to volunteer to support others.

Dyslexia-Friendly Bibles Available

The church has received a donated set of dyslexia-friendly ESV Bibles. If you or someone you know would benefit from one of these Bibles, please contact Pastor Randall Wetzig (rwetzig@parkstreet.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, where you can meet other newcomers and church leaders, hear about our community and ask questions. We look forward to knowing you better!