



Park Street Church, Boston, Mass.

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SERVICE *of* WORSHIP

Park Street Church | The Lord's Day, February 16, 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

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

INTROIT

(II AM)

Psalms 118 *Confitemini Domino*

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his mercy endures for ever.

Let Israel now proclaim,

“His mercy endures for ever.”

The Lord is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation.

There is a sound of exultation and victory
in the tents of the righteous:

“The right hand of the Lord has triumphed!
the right hand of the Lord is exalted!
the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!”

I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the Lord.

The Lord has punished me sorely,
but he did not hand me over to death.

Open for me the gates of righteousness;
I will enter them;
I will offer thanks to the Lord.

“This is the gate of the Lord;
he who is righteous may enter.”

I will give thanks to you, for you answered me
and have become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord’s doing,
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

On this day the Lord has acted;
we will rejoice and be glad in it

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:*

*As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.*

Music: George Thalben-Ball (1896–1987)

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 150

Leader Praise the LORD. Praise God in his holiness;
praise him in the firmament of his power.

People Praise him for his mighty acts;
praise him for his excellent greatness

Leader Praise him with the sound of the trumpet,
praise him upon the strings and pipe,

People Let everything that has breath praise the LORD.

HYMN

Nº 21 Sing Praise to the Lord

LAUDATE DOMINUM

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

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 11:1-5

perw Bible p. 575

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.*

Christ Triumphant, Ever Reigning

QUITTING POWER



1. Christ tri-umph-ant, ev - er reign-ing, Sav - ior, Mas - ter, King!
2. Word in - car - nate, truth re - veal - ing, Son of Man on earth!
3. Suffer - ing ser - vant, scorned, ill - treat - ed, vic - tim cru - ci - fied!
4. Priest - ly king, en - throned for ev - er high in heaven a - bove!
5. So, our hearts and voic - es rais - ing through the a - ges long,



1. Lord of heaven, our lives sus - tain - ing, hear us as we sing:
2. power and maj - es - ty con - ceal - ing by your hum - ble birth:
3. death is through the cross de - feat - ed, sin - ners jus - ti - fied:
4. sin and death and hell shall nev - er sti - fle hymns of love:
5. cease - less - ly up - on you gaz - ing, this shall be our song:



Yours the glo - ry and the crown, the high re - nown, thè - ter - nal name.

Words: 1966, Michael Saward (b. 1932) | Music: 1982 John Barnard (b. 1948)

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¶ *The People sit.*

THE SECOND LESSON

Revelation 19:11-20:15

pew Bible p. 1040

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE GLORIA PATRI

¶ *The People stand. (Hymn No 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 Final Battle

Mark Booker

HYMN

¶ *The People stand.*

Nº III This Is My Father's World

TERRA BEATA

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

(II AM)

¶ *The People sit. The offering plates are passed while music is offered to the Lord.*

Hallelujah from Christ on the Mount of Olives

Hallelujah! unto God's Almighty Son.

Praise the Lord, ye bright angelic choirs,
in holy songs of joy.

Man, proclaim his grace and glory.

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord in holy songs of joy.

Words: Franz Xaver Huber | Music: Ludwig van Beethoven (1770–1827)

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 296 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

CORONATION

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. Today's postlude is intended to be a musical depiction of "The Last Battle."*

Pièce Héroïque

C. Franck (1822–1890)

SERVICE LEADERS & PARTICIPANTS

Mark Booker, *Senior Minister*

Nathan Skinner, *Director of Music*

ASSISTING MINISTER Polo Kim, *Minister to Internationals*

ELDERS 8:30 Richard Ibekwe

11:00 Geoffrey Raux, *Moderator-elect*

LAY READERS 8:30 Mike Ahearn

11:00 Jill Vanderwoude

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

Amy Galluzzo, Sarah M. Skinner, Jessica Kartawidjaja,
John Holland, William Kinney, Aidan C. Montmeny, &
Susanne Powers, *violin*

Lydia Beverage & Peter Chew, *viola*

Kirstin Peltz & Ming-Hui Lin, *cello*

Ryan Loud, *timpani*

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

COLLECTIVE PRAYERS

"I lift my eyes up to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the Lord who made heaven and earth." Psalm 121:1-2

Let us pray together...

- For our sister Pearlina Mills and her family as they grieve the death of Pearlina's brother.
- For our church as we look to our annual meeting next Sunday, that God would give us wisdom, peace, and love for each other as we consider where he is leading us.
- For our missionaries Andrew & Sophia who are training East Asians for cross-cultural ministry, that God would give them wisdom as they build up disciple-makers.
- For World Relief as they seek to continue their work of refugee resettlement on reduced funds, that God would provide for them and that their work would continue to bring the light of the gospel to those in need.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annual Meeting

Sun, Feb 23 | 1:30 pm | *Sanctuary*

The 2025 Annual Meeting will take place on Sunday, February 23 at 1:30 pm in the Sanctuary. Please note that on this day, there will be only one worship service at 11:00 am, followed by an All-Church Lunch at 12:30 pm. Please register for childcare by Mon, Feb 17 at parkstreet.org/childcare.

Questions about 2025 Proposed Budgets

Representatives from the Finance & Administration and Missions Committees will be available after the postlude at the front of the Sanctuary to answer questions regarding the proposed budgets. Alternatively, you may send your inquiries to questions@parkstreet.org before the Annual Meeting.

Ash Wednesday Service

Wed, Mar 5 | 7:30 pm | *Sanctuary*

Join us as we begin the season of Lent together. For childcare (ages 0 – 4) please register by Mar 4 at parkstreet.org/ashwednesday.

Lenten Discipleship Initiative (LDI) 2025

Hold Fast: Christ's Exhortations to the Church

Sundays, Mar 9 – Apr 13 | 9:45 – 10:50 am | *Fellowship Hall*

During the season of Lent we will gather into assigned small groups to take a deep dive into Revelation 2 and 3, which will align with the sermon series. These messages are especially fitting during Lent as we are mindful of our sin and need for repentance. Join in with others to see how these messages still speak to the church today. To participate in LDI (and we hope you will), please register at parkstreet.org/ldi.

Midday Lenten Services

Wednesdays, Mar 12 – Apr 16 | 12:15 pm | *Sanctuary*

This Lent, consider spending your lunch break with us at Park Street. We will gather for a 30-minute service of prayer, reflection on scripture, and hymns. For those who cannot join in person, the services will be streamed at parkstreet.org/live.

Missionary Care Team Equipping Seminar

Sun, Mar 16 | 12:45 pm | *Terrace Room*

International speaker and writer Marilyn R. Gardner will share about the challenges and joys of cross-cultural ministry and raising a family on the mission field. Find out more about our Missionary Care Team ministry and how your MCT can support and encourage our missionaries. Please register for this lunch event by Tue, Mar 11 parkstreet.org/mctseminar.

Regional Fellowship Refresh

We've redrawn the map for regional fellowships to help people connect more easily. Learn more and join your new regional fellowship in Church Center at parkstreet.org/regionalfellowships.

2025 Short-Term Missions Opportunities

Step out on mission this summer and be a part of what God is doing around the world and closer to home! Find out more at parkstreet.org/missions.

Central Asia | *Ministry to Young Professionals* | June 13–22

South Africa | *Prison Aftercare & Restorative Justice Ministry* | Dates TBD

Lewiston, ME | *Ministry to Immigrant Community* | July 27–August 1

Middle East | *International Church Summer Day Camp* | August 8–17

Revere Beach, MA | *Reach the Beach Evangelism Project* | August 12–17

Wilson House Openings

The Wilson House, Park Street Church's house for serving college ministry, located near Harvard Square, is accepting applications for residents for Summer 2025 and the 2025–26 school year. For more info or to apply, please email Leonard Mosiah at lmosiah@parkstreet.org.

Slides & Sound Help Needed

If you have experience running sound or slides (or would like to learn!), we would love to have you on the Radio Room Team. Contact Mike Ahearn at mahearn@parkstreet.org to learn more.

Employment Opportunities at Park Street School

Park Street School is seeking to fill the roles of several administrative and teaching positions. If you are interested in being considered, please email employment@parkstreetschool.org for application instructions.

More information: parkstreet.org/announcements

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!

