

THE FESTIVAL OF THE RESURRECTION



NEW ST PETER'S

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*“Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
I will dwell in you and walk among you; and I will be your God,
and you shall be My people.”*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Please be seated as we gather to sing. Congregants read the bolded text aloud.

GATHERING

“Rejoice, The Lord Is King”

**Rejoice, the Lord is King: Your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!**

Matthew 26
Hebrews 13
Leviticus 17

BLOOD ONCE AGAIN PULSES THROUGH THE VEINS OF THE SACRIFICE

Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, **“Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for He has risen, as He said. Come, see the place where He lay. Then go quickly and tell His disciples that He has risen from the dead, and behold, He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see Him. See, I have told you.”**

For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it for you on the altar to make atonement for your souls, for it is the blood that makes atonement by the life. **Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip us with everything good that we may do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.**

Silence

Church, the eternal Son of God became a man, lived in perfect righteousness, called us to believe in Him, endured the scorn of division that our wretched hearts had wrought, and suffered the death that we deserved. Yet death could not hold Him! So now, on this Easter morning and on all days, what do you believe?

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell...

Silence

In order to bring death to death, an end to sin, and a permanent overthrow of the devil's kingdom, the Lord Jesus did not stay dead. And so... **the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

1. “Christ the Lord is ris’n to - day;—
 2. Vain the stone, the watch, the seal;—
 3. Lives a - gain our glo - rious King;— *Al - - - le - lu - ia!*
 4. Soar we now where Christ has led,—
 5. Hail, the Lord of earth and heav - 'n!

sons of men and an - gels say;—
 Christ has burst the gates of hell;—
 where, O death, is now thy sting? *Al - - - le - lu - ia!*
 fol - l'wing our ex - alt - ed Head;
 Praise to thee by both be giv - 'n;

raise your joys and tri - umphs high;
 death in vain for - bids his rise;
 Once he died, our souls to save; *Al - - - le - lu - ia!*
 made like him, like him we rise;
 thee we greet tri - um - phant now;

sing ye heav'ns, and earth, re - ply.—
 Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.—
 where thy vic - to - ry, O grave? *Al - - - le - lu - ia!*
 ours the cross, the grave, the skies,—
 hail, the Res - ur - rec - tion, thou!—

"I Know that My Redeemer Lives"

1. I know that my Re - deem - er — lives! What joy this blest as -
 2. He lives tri - um - phant from the — grave; he lives e - ter - nal -
 3. He lives to bless me — with his — love; he lives to plead for
 4. He lives, my kind, wise, — heav - enly — friend; he lives and loves me
 5. He lives, all glo - ry — to his — name! He lives, my Sav - ior,

- sur - ance gives! He lives, he lives, — who — once — was —
 - ly to save; he lives ex - alt - ed, — throned a -
 me a - bove; he lives my hun - gry — soul — to —
 to the end; he lives, and while he — lives, — I'll —
 still the same; what joy this blest — as - sur - ance —

dead; he lives, my ev - - er - liv - ing Head!
 - bove; he lives to rule his church in love.
 feed; he lives to help in time of need.
 sing; he lives, my Proph - - et, Priest, and King!
 gives: I know that my Re - deem - er lives!

For if we have been united with Christ in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His.

We know that our old self was crucified with Him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin. Yet we still follow our sinful desires like slaves. Though we have been set free, we grumble for the food of our captivity, and we dabble in the impurities of idolatry. Forgive us, Lord. Renew us after the image of the Risen Christ.

Worshippers may continue to confess their sins in silence.

Thomas Cranmer's
Pascha Nostrum
Corinthians 5
Romans 6
1 Corinthians 15

REJOICING IN THE DEATH & LIFE OF CHRIST, & OUR UNION WITH HIM

Alleluia! Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast,
Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil,
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

**Alleluia! Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;
death no longer has dominion over Him.
The death that He died, He died to sin, once for all;
but the life He lives, He lives to God.
So also consider yourselves dead to sin,
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia!
Christ has been raised from the dead,
the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.
For since by a man came death,
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.
For as in Adam all die,
so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia!**

"Arise, My Soul, Arise"

Sing verses 1 and 2 before singing the chorus.



1. A - rise, my soul, a - rise; shake off your guilt - y fears;
2. He ev - er lives a - bove, for me to in - ter - cede;_
3. Five bleed - ing wounds He bears, re - ceived on Cal - va - ry;_
4. My God is re - con - ciled; His pard - 'ning voice I hear;_



The bleed - ing sac - ri - fice, on my be - half ap - pears;
 His all - re - deem - ing love, His pre - cious blood, to plead;
 They pour ef - fec - tual prayers; they strong - ly plead for me:_
 He owns me for His child; I can no long - er fear;_



Be - fore the throne my Sure - ty stands, Be - fore the throne my Sure - ty stands
 His blood a - toned for eve - ry race, His blood a - toned for eve - ry race,
 "For - give him, O for - give," they cry, "For - give him, O for - give," they cry,
 With con - fi - dence I now draw nigh, With con - fi - dence I now draw nigh,



My name is writ - ten on His hands.
 And sprin - kles now the throne of grace._
 "Don't let that ran - somed sin - ner die!"_
 And "Fa - ther, Ab - ba, Fa - ther," cry._

Refrain



Men: A - rise,

a - rise,

a - rise,

Women: A - rise, _

a - rise, _

Unison: A - rise, _ my soul, a - rise.



A - rise,

a - rise,

a - rise,

_ A - rise, _

a - rise, _

A - rise, _ my soul, a - rise.



_ Shake off _ your guilt - y fears _ and rise. _

**SHARIUNG
THE PEACE OF
CHRIST**

Church, this is of greatest importance: Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures. He was buried, and then He was raised from the dead on the third day as the Scriptures had said He would be. May we, together, know Him and the power of His resurrection, share in His sufferings, and become like Him in His death, that by any means possible we may attain the resurrection of the dead! This is your hope! And this is your peace! So may the peace of the risen Lord be with you!

And also with you.

*The musicians will play for a moment before singing so that you
can share the peace*

“Rejoice, The Lord Is King”

**His kingdom cannot fail, He rules o’er earth and heav’n,
The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv’n;
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!**

Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Amen.

“Lifeblood“

¹ And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ² “Speak to Aaron and his sons and to all the people of Israel and say to them, This is the thing that the LORD has commanded. ³ If any one of the house of Israel kills an ox or a lamb or a goat in the camp, or kills it outside the camp, ⁴ and does not bring it to the entrance of the tent of meeting to offer it as a gift to the LORD in front of the tabernacle of the LORD, bloodguilt shall be imputed to that man. He has shed blood, and that man shall be cut off from among his people. ⁵ This is to the end that the people of Israel may bring their sacrifices that they sacrifice in the open field, that they may bring them to the LORD, to the priest at the entrance of the tent of meeting, and sacrifice them as sacrifices of peace offerings to the LORD. ⁶ And the priest shall throw the blood on the altar of the LORD at the entrance of the tent of meeting and burn the fat for a pleasing aroma to the LORD. ⁷ So they shall no more sacrifice their sacrifices to goat demons, after whom they whore. This shall be a statute forever for them throughout their generations.”

⁸ “And you shall say to them, Any one of the house of Israel, or of the strangers who sojourn among them, who offers a burnt offering or sacrifice ⁹ and does not bring it to the entrance of the tent of meeting to offer it to the LORD, that man shall be cut off from his people.”

¹⁰ “If any one of the house of Israel or of the strangers who sojourn among them eats any blood, I will set My face against that person who eats blood and will cut him off from among his people. ¹¹ For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it for you on the altar to make atonement for your souls, for it is the blood that makes atonement by the life. ¹² Therefore I have said to the people of Israel, No person among you shall eat blood, neither shall any stranger who sojourns among you eat blood.”

Worshippers may bring gifts and offerings to the Lord with thanksgiving
and joy for His faithfulness and favor.

“Christ Our Hope in Life and Death”



1. What is our hope in life and death? Christ a - lone, Christ a - lone.
2. What truth can calm the trou - bled soul? God is good, God is good.
3. Un - to the grave, what shall we sing? “Christ, he lives!” “Christ, He lives!”



What is our on - ly con - fi - dence? That our souls to him be - long.
Where is his grace and good - ness known? In our great Re - deem - er's blood.
And what re - ward will heav - en bring? Ev - er - last - ing life with him.



Who holds our days with - in his hand? What comes, a - part from his com -
Who holds our faith when fears a - rise? who stands a - bove the storm - y
There we will rise to meet the Lord, Then sin and death will be de -



- mand? And what will keep us to the end? The love of
trial? Who sends the waves that bring us nigh Un - to the
- stroyed, And we will feast in end - less joy, When Christ is

Refrain



Christ, in which we stand. _____
shore, the rock of Christ? _____ *O sing ha - le - lu - ia! Our*
ours for - ev - er - more. _____



hope springs e - ter - nal; O sing ha - le - lu - ia! Now and



ev - er we con - fess Christ our hope in life and death.

"It Is Finished"



1. "It is fin - ished!" Sin - ners hear_ it; 'Tis the
2. Jus - tice, from her aw - ful sta - tion, bars the
3. "It is fin - ished!" All is o - ver; Yes, the
4. Crown the might - y Con - quer'r, crown Him, who His



dy - ing Vic - tor's cry;_ "It is fin - ished!" An - gels
 sin - ner's peace no_ more;_ Jus - tice views with ap - pro -
 cup of wrath is_ drain'd; Such the truth these words dis -
 peo - ple's foes o'er - came!_ In the high - est heav - en



bear_ it, bear the joy - ful truth on_ high:_
 - ba - tion what the Sav - ior did and bore;_
 - cov - er; Thus the vic - t'ry was ob - tained;
 throne Him! Men and an - gels sound His_ fame!_



"It is fin - ished!" Tell it through the earth and
 Grace and mer - cy now dis - play their bound - less
 'Tis a vic - t'ry none but Je - sus could have
 Great His glo - ry! Je - sus bears the match - less



"It is fin - ished!" Tell it through the earth and sky!
 Grace and mer - cy now dis - play their bound - less store.
 'Tis a vic - t'ry none but Je - sus could have gain'd.
 Great His glo - ry! Je - sus bears the match - less name.

Heavenly Father,

We thank You for assuring us in these holy mysteries of the Resurrection – that we are living members of the body of Your Son, and heirs of Your eternal Kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work You have given us to do, to love and serve You as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To Him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever.

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

Come quickly, Lord Jesus! Amen.

ABOUT NSP



In a city that pursues arrival, New St. Peter's exists to make disciples by inviting pilgrims and skeptics into life on the road with Jesus.

CORE VALUES

Worship



Calling



Suffering



Membership



THE ROOSTER

The rooster is a common Christian symbol, used throughout the history of the church to tell the story of St. Peter's denial of Christ on the night He was betrayed. Peter was a brash and bold disciple, and a dear friend of Jesus, but in his doubt and fear he denied his Lord three times before the rooster's crow early on that Good Friday morning. But the rooster clutches the cross, clinging to the hope of Jesus' great mercy for doubters and deniers like us. Because Jesus Christ has died as if He were the worst of doubters, the worst of deniers, we are free to cling to His cross and to follow Him on the pilgrim road. Jesus forgave and restored Peter shortly after His resurrection, and it was in the hope of this restoration that our church—New St. Peter's—was born in 2003.

www.newstpeters.org

GATHERED

As a church family, we gather weekly to celebrate God's grace in worship and teach and encourage one another as we follow Jesus.

WEEKLY WORSHIP

(Sundays, 10:15-11:30am)

The church is an outpost of heaven on earth, and nowhere is this more evident than in its worship. So, even on the road with Jesus, we taste home each Lord's Day in the worship gathering, as we feed on Christ through His preached word, the sacraments, fellowship, and prayer. (Matthew 11:28-29).

SOLD

(Sundays, 9-9:50am, January 14 - May 19)

School of Life & Doctrine (SOLD) is our Christian education ministry for all ages. Historically, we've held this time on Sunday evenings in various places throughout the city. However, beginning in the fall of 2023, we will host SOLD on Sunday mornings at the Dallas Children's Theater, including classes for kids, youth, and adults.

KIDS - WORSHIP TRAINING

(Sundays, 10:15-11:30am)

Our goal is to prepare our children in Worship Training to enter into the "big" Worship Service with their parents, better able to listen and engage with the liturgy as they grow in maturity. In Worship Training, leaders guide the children in singing, prayer, a simple liturgy, and a curriculum lesson with age-appropriate activities.

YOUTH - RYF

Reformed Youth Fellowship (RYF) is our ministry to Middle School and High School students. In our dedicated teaching times the youth at New St. Peter's work through the topics of Basic Bible (Old and New Testament), Apologetics, Spiritual Disciplines, and Christian History. During the School year, we meet most regularly on Sunday mornings during SOLD, but also meet outside of that time for fellowship, encouragement, and service in both large and small groups.

SCATTERED

When we are scattered throughout the city, we are no less the church. In our diverse neighborhoods, we want to invite disciples and skeptics to join us on the road with Jesus.

PARISHES

In order to better equip our members for fellowship and outreach, we have organized our city into parishes. Each parish is overseen by an Elder—with assistance from the Deacons and Women’s Leadership Team—who shepherds the neighborhood group leaders in that parish.

NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS

Our neighborhood groups meet in people’s homes at different frequencies and locations throughout the metroplex. The aim of these groups is to walk together in fellowship, prayer, and service in the community.

MEN’S & WOMEN’S MINISTRY

There are a number of ways to get involved in men’s and women’s ministry at NSP, including Bible and book studies, discipleship and prayer groups, and special events.

20somethings

Anyone from college through the late 20s is welcome—both married and single! This group enjoys bi-monthly fellowship dinners in homes of different families in our church and also gets together for seasonal Bible studies and occasional celebrations.

To learn more about these ministries, scan the QR code below or visit www.newstpeters.org



ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

THIS WEEK

- **VBS** - We are partnering with PCPC for VBS on PCPC's campus this summer. On April 8, registration is expected to open for children/youth of non-volunteering adults. Please let Brittanie (brittanie@newstpeters.org) know if you are registering.
- **Property Focus Groups** - Please make every effort to attend at least one of our focus groups about the potential property while in our due diligence phase. Meetings begin April 14 and go through May 5. Pick up a flier in the lobby for a full schedule.
- **20somethings Fellowship Dinner** - Hornes' house on Saturday, 4/6, 5:00-9:00 p.m.
- **College Care Boxes** - Our college students look forward to receiving care packages which will be mailed April 21st. Sign-ups to bake cookies and donate gift cards are in the weekly email. Notecards for writing will be in the lobby beginning today.

UPCOMING

- **Restore 2024: MNA Mercy Conference - April 12-13, 2024** - Restore 2024—a conference hosted this year in Dallas by Mission to North America—will recast a vision for Kingdom-centered mercy ministry, and equip members of the church to enter into the restorative work of mercy in their communities. Sign up to attend or to volunteer this week (see Tuesday email for details)!

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