

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP



NEW ST PETER'S

APRIL 14, 2024

*“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

“God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory”

Ode to Joy

**God, all nature sings Thy glory, and Thy works proclaim Thy might;
Ordered vastness in the heavens, ordered course of day and night;
Beauty in the changing seasons, beauty in the storming sea;
All the changing moods of nature praise the changeless Trinity.**

CALL TO WORSHIP Isaiah 43

Hear the call of the LORD: “Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you.”

Silence

LITURGY OF THE WORD Isaiah 43

I will say to the north, Give up, and to the south, do not withhold;

**Bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the end of the earth,
everyone who is called by My name, whom I created for My glory.**

I, I am the LORD, and besides Me there is no savior. I declared and saved and proclaimed, when there was no strange god among you; and you are my witnesses,” declares the LORD.

**He gives water in the wilderness, to give drink to His chosen people,
that we might declare His praise!**

INVOCATION

THE LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name.
Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we
also forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.**

“Only a Holy God”

Michael Farren, Jonny Robinson,
Dustin Smith & Rich Thompson, 2018
arr. Ben Weldy



1. Who else com - mands all the hosts of heav - en?
2. What oth - er beau - ty de - mands such prais - es?
3. What oth - er glo - ry con - sumes like fire?—
4. Who else could res - cue me from my fail - ing?



Who else could make ev - 'ry king bow down? Who else can whis - per and
What oth - er splen - dor out - shines the sun? What oth - er maj - es - ty
What oth - er pow - er can raise the dead? What oth - er name re - mains
Who else would of - fer his on - ly Son? Who else in - vites me to



dark - ness trem - bles? On - ly a Ho - ly God.
rules with jus - tice? On - ly a Ho - ly God.
un - de - feat - ed? On - ly a Ho - ly God.
call Him Fa - ther? On - ly a Ho - ly God.

Refrain – Repeat final refrain



Come and be - hold Him, the One and the On - ly. Cry out, sing Ho - ly, for -



ev - er a Ho - ly God. Come and wor - ship the Ho - ly God.

“Be Thou My Vision”

SLANE

text: Ancient Irish poem, ca. 8th century
Harmony alt. Ben Weldy

Unison



1. Be thou my__ vi - sion, O Lord of my heart; naught be all
2. Be thou my__ wis - dom, and thou my true word; I ev - er
3. Be thou my__ bat - tle shield, sword for my fight; be thou my
4. Rich - es I__ heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise, thou mine in -
5. High King of__ heav - en, my vic - to - ry won, may I reach



else to me, save that thou art— thou my__ best thought by
with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my__ great Fa - ther,
dig - ni - ty, thou my de - light, thou my__ soul's shel - ter,
- her - i - tance, now and al - ways: thou and_ thou on - ly,
heav - en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun! Heart of__ my__ own heart, what -



day or by night,_ wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
I thy true son;_ thou in me dwell - ing, and I with thee one.
thou my high tow'r:_ raise thou me heav'n-ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
first in my heart,_ High King of heav - en, my_ trea - sure thou art.
- ev - er be - fall,_ still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Our Redeemer, You have made a way through the sea and through the fires of judgment.

Yet even in the wake of so great a salvation, we become weary of waiting on You. We argue our own case before You and others, that we may be justified. We forget that sin lives in us rather than alongside us. We forget the stories of our fathers, who all passed through the sea, yet who still worshiped the idols they created. We desire indulgence rather than holiness. We grumble and put Christ to the test. Oh God, forgive us, and feed us on Christ alone.

Silent confession

But now thus says the LORD, He who created you, O Jacob, He who formed you, O Israel: “Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.” Amen.

A reading from Peter: The Lord establishes a holy nation for the proclamation of His excellence in word and deed.

Hear, O Israel:

The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of His Holy Spirit.

For this promise is for us and for our children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to Himself.

**CONFESSION
OF SIN & PLEA FOR
PARDON**

Isaiah 43
1 Corinthians 10

**ASSURANCE OF
PARDON**

Isaiah 43

**NEW TESTAMENT
READING**

1 Peter 2:9-25

**PREPARATION
FOR BAPTISM**

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

WORDS OF
INSTRUCTION

Rev. Alex Dean

SIGN OF GOD'S
COVENANT IN
BAPTISM

Mr. Jeff Murray and Mr. Dean

1. *Do you acknowledge your son's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?*
2. *Do you claim God's covenant promises on his behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for his salvation as you do for your own?*
3. *Do you now unreservedly dedicate your son to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before him a godly example, that you will pray with and for him, that you will teach him the doctrines of your holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring him up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?*

The Baptism of Joseph Alan Stratman

Will you the people of New St. Peter's pray for Joey that this water will be to him the joyful sign of the Father's gracious election, the covenant faithfulness of the Son, and the washing of regeneration by the Spirit? And will you pray that this remembered sign will stir in him and his parents lively Gospel faith and abundant Gospel fruit? Will you?

We will pray these covenant promises for the Stratman family.

And will you pray for all our recently baptized—Rowan Hillman, Jonah Brandenburg, Anna Stejskal, William Tarbell, and Moses Buerger—and for yourselves, that this sacrament would preach to our souls the Covenant of Grace, that we are washed in Christ, engaged to be His, and eagerly look for His return as a watchful bride? Will you?

We will pray these covenant graces for our church family.

“Jesus, Let Us Come to Know You”

Michael Card

1. Je - sus, let us come to know You; let us see You
 2. Je - sus, draw us ev - er near - er; hold us in Your
 face to face. Touch us, hold us, use us,
 lov - ing arms. Wrap us in Your gen - tle
 mold us, on - ly let us live in You.
 pres - ence, and when the end comes bring us home.

*Children, Pre-K and Kindergarten, may be dismissed to
Worship Training and retrieved after the sermon for Communion.*

May the peace of the Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Please return to your seats and remain standing.

“God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory”

Ode to Joy

**God of glory, power, mercy, all creation praises Thee;
 We, Thy creatures, would adore Thee now and through eternity.
 Saved to magnify Thy goodness, grant us strength to do Thy will;
 With our acts as with our voices Thy commandments to fulfill.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING THE
PEACE OF CHRIST

DOXOLOGY

¹ And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ² “Speak to the people of Israel and say to them, I am the LORD your God. ³ You shall not do as they do in the land of Egypt, where you lived, and you shall not do as they do in the land of Canaan, to which I am bringing you. You shall not walk in their statutes. ⁴ You shall follow My rules and keep My statutes and walk in them. I am the LORD your God. ⁵ You shall therefore keep My statutes and My rules; if a person does them, he shall live by them: I am the LORD.

²⁴ “Do not make yourselves unclean by any of these things, for by all these the nations I am driving out before you have become unclean, ²⁵ and the land became unclean, so that I punished its iniquity, and the land vomited out its inhabitants. ²⁶ But you shall keep My statutes and My rules and do none of these abominations, either the native or the stranger who sojourns among you ²⁷ (for the people of the land, who were before you, did all of these abominations, so that the land became unclean), ²⁸ lest the land vomit you out when you make it unclean, as it vomited out the nation that was before you. ²⁹ For everyone who does any of these abominations, the persons who do them shall be cut off from among their people. ³⁰ So keep My charge never to practice any of these abominable customs that were practiced before you, and never to make yourselves unclean by them: I am the LORD your God.”

^{19.1} And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ² “Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them, You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy. ³ Every one of you shall revere his mother and his father, and you shall keep my Sabbaths: I am the LORD your God. ⁴ Do not turn to idols or make for yourselves any gods of cast metal: I am the LORD your God.”

“Holiness and the Mission of God”

Leviticus 18.1-5, 24-30, 19.1-4

Holiness & God’s Mission

Holiness & Our Mission

THE APOSTLES'
CREED

**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*, 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.**

**He descended into judgment and continued in the state of the dead until the third day.*

WORDS OF
INSTITUTION &
INVITATION TO
THE TABLE

*1 Corinthians 10
Scottish
Communion
Hymn*

One is the Christ we feed upon, who once was dead but lives forever now.

**One is the cup of blessing we bless, true symbol of the blood that
flowed from His cross.**

One is the Rock who feeds our famished souls with the bread and wine of
heaven, even as we hope in the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died
Christ is risen
Christ will come again**

Come to the Table...

DIRECTIONS
FOR THE
TABLE

*Ushers will release you by rows after the music team has partaken.
Grape juice is in the outer ring of the tray and wine in the center.
Gluten-free bread is available at each table.*

*If you are not a follower of Jesus, we invite you to remain in the service and reflect
on the following prayer, and we invite you to talk with our pastors if you would
like to know more about the hope of the Good News on display at Christ's Table.*

*Good Father, open my heart and my eyes to see the light of the gospel of the
glory of Christ, even against the darkness of my sin and suffering; and help me
to draw near, believing that You exist and that You meet those who seek You in
Christ. In my doubt, guide my mind. In my wandering, guide my feet and bring
me ultimately home through Jesus, the Way. (2 Corinthians 4, Hebrews 11)*

"Come, All Ye Pining, Hungry Poor"

Brian T. Murphy, 2010
Anne Steele, 1760



1. Lord we a - dore thy_ boun - less grace, The heights and depths un - known,
2. O won - drous gifts of_ love_ di - vine, Dear source of ev - 'ry_ good!
3. Here shall your num - 'rous wants re - ceive A free, a full_ sup - ply;



— Of par - don, life, and joy, and peace,
— Je - sus, in thee what glo - ries shine!
— He has un - meas - ured bliss to give,

Refrain



In thy be - lov - ed_ son._
How rich thy flow - ing_ blood! *Come, all ye pin - ing, hun - gry_ poor,*
And joys that nev - er_ die._



— The Sav - ior's boun - - ty_ taste;_ Be - hold a nev -



- er_ fail - ing_ store,_ For ev - 'ry will - ing_ guest.

“The Magnificat: Holy Is Your Name”

WILD MOUNTAIN THYME
text: David Haas, 1989, based on Luke 1.46-55



1. My__ soul is filled with joy__ as I sing to God my Sav - ior: you have
2. I am low - ly as a child, but I know from this day for - ward that my
3. I pro - claim the pow'r of God, you do mar - vels for your serv - ants; though you
4. To the hun - gry you give food, send the rich a - way__ emp - ty. In your
5. In your love you now ful - fill__ what you prom - ised to your peo - ple. I will



looked up - on your serv - ant, you have vis - it - ed your peo - ple.
name will be re - mem - bered, for__ all will call me bless - ed.
scat - ter the proud heart - ed and de - stroy the might of princ - es.
mer - cy you are mind - ful of the peo - ple you have cho - sen.
praise you, Lord, my sav - ior, ev - er - last - ing is your mer - cy.

Refrain



And__ ho - ly is your name through all gen - er - a - tions! Ev - er - last - ing is your



mer - cy to the peo - ple you have cho - sen, and__ ho - ly is your name!

“Psalm 130 (From Depths of Woe)”

Christopher Miner, 1997
text: Martin Luther, 1523



1. From depths of woe I raise_ to Thee, The voice_ of lam - en - ta - tion;
2. To_ wash a - way the crim - son stain, Grace, grace a - lone a - vail - eth;



Lord, turn a gra - cious ear__ to me And hear__ my sup - pli - ca - tion;
Our works, a - las! Are all__ in vain; In much_ the best life fail - eth;



If thou in - iq - ui - ties__ dost mark, Our se - cret sins and mis - deeds dark,
No man can glo - ry in__ Thy sight, All must_ a - like con - fess__ Thy might,

Women: 1. O__ who shall stand be - fore__ Thee?
2. And live a - lone by__ mer - cy

Refrain



Men: O__ who shall stand be - fore__ Thee? O__ who shall
And live a - lone by mer - cy And live a -

Who shall stand be - fore__ Thee?
Live a - lone by__ mer - cy



stand be - fore__ Thee?
- lone by mer - cy

3. Therefore my trust is in the Lord,
And not in mine own merit;
On Him my soul shall rest, His word
Upholds my fainting spirit;
His promised mercy is my fort,
My comfort and my sweet support;
I wait for it with patience (echo)
I wait for it with patience (echo)

4. What though I wait the live-long night,
And 'till the dawn appeareth,
My heart still trusteth in His might;
It doubteth not nor feareth;
Do thus, O ye of Israel's seed,
Ye of the Spirit born indeed;
And wait 'till God appeareth (echo)
And wait 'till God appeareth (echo)

5. Though great our sins and sore our woes
His grace much more aboundeth,
His helping love no limit knows,
Our upmost need it soundeth.
Our Shepherd good and true is He,
Who will at last His Israel free
From all their sin and sorrow (echo)
From all their sin and sorrow (echo)

SCATTERING
*Kenyan
Reformed
Prayer*

Almighty God, eternal Father,

**we have sat at Your feet,
learned from Your word,
and eaten from Your table.
We give You thanks and praise
for accepting us into Your family.
Send us out with Your blessing,
to live and to witness for You in the power of Your Spirit,
through Jesus Christ, the firstborn from the dead.**

BENEDICTION
Philippians 2

May you be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, holding fast to the word of life.

Come quickly, Lord Jesus! Amen.

POSTLUDE

Please enjoy the fellowship of believers in the lobby or outside.

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.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

THIS WEEK

- **VBS** - We are partnering with PCPC for VBS on PCPC's campus this summer. Registration is now 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 today and go through May 5. Pick up a flier in the lobby for a full schedule.
- **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 are in the lobby.

UPCOMING

- **Park Meetup** - Save the date for April 26 for our family park meetup! More info coming soon.
- **Kentucky Derby and Afternoon Tea Women's Event** - Join the women of NSP on May 4 from 4-6pm for a fun afternoon of fellowship at the Martins' home. We will have a laid back afternoon visiting, enjoying yummy snacks and drinks, and cheering on the race. Please see the evite for more information. If you did not receive the evite, please contact Jan in the office.

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