

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP



NEW ST PETER'S

MARCH 30, 2025

*“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

“All Creatures of Our God and King”

Lasst uns erfreuen

**All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing
Alleluia, alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
thou silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!
Serve the LORD with gladness!
Come into His presence with singing!

Silence

LITURGY OF THE WORD Psalm 100 Colossians 3

Enter His gates with Thanksgiving
And His courts with praise.

**We will give thanks to Him and bless His name,
Singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs
with thankfulness in our hearts to God!**

For the LORD is good;
His steadfast love endures forever!

**His faithfulness continues to all generations!
He gives peace to the hearts of His people!**

INVOCATION

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

Azmon
text: Charles Wesley, 1739
alt. Ben Weldy

1. O for a thou - sand tongues to sing, my great Re - deem - er's praise,
2. My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim,
3. Je - sus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sor - rows cease;
4. He breaks the pow'r of reign - ing sin, he sets the pris - 'ner free;
5. He speaks and, list - 'ning to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive;

the glo - ries of my God and King, the__ tri - umphs of his grace.
to spread through all the earth a - broad the__ hon - ors of thy name.
'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis__ life and health and peace.
his blood can make the foul - est clean his__ blood a - vailed for me.
the mourn - ful, bro - ken hearts re - joice; the__ hum - ble poor be - lieve.

“Psalm 96b (Let the Earth Rejoice)”

Brian Franklin, 2013



Let the heavn's be glad, Let the earth re - joice; let the sea__



roar and all the fills__ it Let the field ex - ult and eve - ry - thing in__ it__



Let the earth re - joice_____ Then shall all the trees of the for - est sing



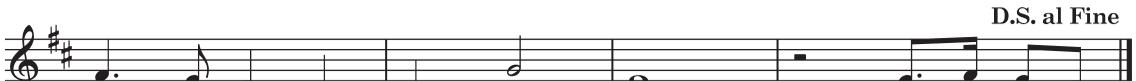
__ for joy be - fore the Lord, for He comes Then shall all the trees of the for - est sing



__ for joy be - fore the Lord, for He comes_____ comes For He



comes to judge the earth He will judge the world in__ right - eous - ness and the



peo - ples in His faith - ful - ness. Then shall all the

Reigning King, we have gathered to ascribe glory to Your name.

**But we come in need of Your grace,
for with the same tongues
we have cursed people who are made in Your likeness.
When we tear down our enemies,
we reject the way of Christ.
We have also ascribed Your glory to idols.
We delight to praise what we enjoy,
so we have praised the fleeting joy of food and drink
more than You!
We fear being called outsiders,
so we have not proclaimed Your rule or adorned Your love.
We believe in the strength of our own wills,
so we have not told of Your salvation day to day!
Forgive us, Lord. And Let all the earth rejoice in You!**

Silent confession

Church, behold, in Christ your guilt is taken away,
and your sin is atoned for.

**Jesus has made us completely clean by His blood,
touching even our lips with the warmth of His mercy,
that we may proclaim His grace and glory!
Hallelujah! Amen!**

A reading from Paul: The fragrant offering of Christ makes way for
the sacrifice of praise from His people.

*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.

“All Creatures of Our God and King”

Lasst uns erfreuen

**Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship Him in humbleness,
O praise Him, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, three in one,
O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**CONFESSION
OF SIN & PLEA FOR
PARDON**
Psalm 96
James 3

**ASSURANCE OF
PARDON &
INTERCESSORY
PRAYER**
Isaiah 6
John 13

**NEW TESTAMENT
READING**
Ephesians 5.1-21

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SHARING THE
PEACE OF CHRIST**

DOXOLOGY

- ¹ Oh sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all the earth!
- ² Sing to the LORD, bless His name;
tell of His salvation from day to day.
- ³ Declare His glory among the nations,
His marvelous works among all the peoples!
- ⁴ For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;
He is to be feared above all gods.
- ⁵ For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols,
but the LORD made the heavens.
- ⁶ Splendor and majesty are before Him;
strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.

- ⁷ Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!
- ⁸ Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name;
bring an offering, and come into His courts!
- ⁹ Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness;
tremble before Him, all the earth!

- ¹⁰ Say among the nations, “The LORD reigns!
Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved;
He will judge the peoples with equity.”

- ¹¹ Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;
let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
- ¹² let the field exult, and everything in it!
Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy
- ¹³ before the LORD, for He comes,
for He comes to judge the earth.
He will judge the world in righteousness,
and the peoples in His faithfulness.

“Sing to the King”

Psalm 96.1-13

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
Khmer Communion Hymn (Cambodia), 20th Century

Christ said, "I am the bread of life."

"Anyone who truly comes to Me will not hunger again."

Christ said, "I am the bread of life."

"Anyone who truly believes in Me, their heart will be satisfied. And My bread is the bread that comes from heaven."

And all who eat will not die, for...

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

Come to the Table...

DIRECTIONS

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*

OFFERINGS

- *Tithes and gifts can be brought to the box in the center of the room.*
- *Online Giving - newstpeters.org/give*

PRAYER FOR FAITH

If you are not a follower of Jesus, we invite you to reflect on the prayer at the bottom of page 12, and we invite you to talk with our pastor if you would like to know more about the hope of the Good News on display at Christ's Table.

“Before the Throne of God Above”

Vikki Cook, 1997
text: Charitie Lees Bancroft, 1841-1923



1. Be - fore the throne of God a - bove I have a strong a per - fect
2. When Sa - tan tempts me to de - spair, and tells me of the guilt with -
3. Be - hold Him there! the ris - en Lamb, my per - fect, spot - less Right - eous -



plea, A great High Priest whose name is “Love,” Who ev - er
- in, up - ward I look and see Him there Who made an
- ness, the great un - change - a - ble I AM, the King of



lives and pleads for me. My name is grave - n on His hands, My name is
end to all my sin. Be - cause the sin - less Sav - ior died, My sin - ful
glo - ry and of grace! One with Him - self I can - not die, My soul is



writ - ten on His heart; I know that while in heav'n He stands no tongue can
soul is count - ed free; For God, the Just, is sa - tis - fied to look on
pur - chased by His blood; My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my



bid me thence de - part, No tongue can bid me thence de - part.
Him and par - don me, to look on Him and par - don me.
Sav - ior and my God, with Christ my Sav - ior and my God.

“Be Still My Soul”

Finlandia
text: Katharina von Schlegel, 1752
Harmony alt. Ben Weldy



1. Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side; _____ bear pa - tient -
2. Be still, my soul: your God will un - der - take _____ to guide the
3. Be still, my soul: when dear - est friends de - part, _____ and all is
4. Be still, my soul: the hour is has - t'ning on _____ when we shall



-ly the cross of grief or pain; _____ leave to your God to
fu - ture as he has the past. _____ Your hope, your con - fi -
dark - ened in the vale of tears, _____ then shall you bet - ter
be for - ev - er with the Lord, _____ when dis - ap - point - ment,



or - der and pro - vide; _____ in ev - 'ry change he faith - ful will re -
-dence let noth - ing shake; _____ all now mys - te - rious shall be bright at
know his love, his heart, _____ who comes to soothe your sor - row and your
grief, and fear are gone, _____ sor - row for - got, love's pur - est joys re -



-main. _____ Be still, my soul: your best, your heav'n - ly Friend _____
last. _____ Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know _____
fears. _____ Be still, my soul: your Je - sus can re - pay _____
-stored. _____ Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past, _____



— through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.
— his voice who ruled them while he dwelt be - low.
— from his own full - ness all he takes a - way.
— all safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.



1. What love could re - mem - ber no wrongs we have done; Om - nis - cient, all know - ing, He
 2. (What) pa - tience would wait as we con - stant - ly roam; What Fa - ther, so ten - der, is
 3. (What) rich - es of kind - ness He lav - ished on us; His blood was the pay - ment, His



counts not their sum. Thrown in - to a sea with - out bot - tom or shore;—
 call - ing us home. He wel - comes the weak - est, the vil - est, the poor;— *Our*
 life was the cost. We stood 'neath a debt we could nev - er af - ford;—



sins they are man - y, His mer - cy is more. 2. What



more. Praise the Lord!— His mer - cy is more.



Strong - er than dark - ness, new ev - 'ry morn; Our sins they are man - y, His mer - cy is



more. 3. What

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
Romans 15

May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Come quickly, Lord Jesus! Amen.

POSTLUDE

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

**PRAYER FOR
FAITH**

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)

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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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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)

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

(Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00pm)

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,

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

- **Youth** - Our next large group is Wednesday, 4/9, at the Oasis, beginning at 6:30 pm. **Camp Reminder:** Tomorrow is the deadline for camp sign-up.
- **College Boxes** - It's that time of year again: our college students look forward to receiving care packages from their church family! They will be mailed on April 28, so we have several weeks to bake cookies and write notes. Look for details on how to help in next Tuesday's email. Notecards and a collection box will be provided in the lobby of DCT through April 27. For questions, please contact Stephanie Clemmons, Tricia Horne, Arleen Ratliff, Sharissa Murray, or Kelley Bruss.

UPCOMING

- **VBS Registration** - Is open for those that are volunteering. For non-volunteers, please watch for registration to open in April. It will be in the Tuesday email.
- **Women's Fellowship Event** - On Saturday, April 12, a fun brunch will be hosted at Denise Walker's home. Details are in the evite. If you have any questions, or did not receive the evite, please let Jan know (jan.james@newstpeters.org).

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