

# CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP



## NEW ST PETER'S

AUGUST 10, 2025

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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

"I Know that My Redeemer Lives"

DUKE STREET

**I know that my Redeemer lives!  
What joy this blest assurance gives!  
He lives, He lives, who once was dead;  
He lives, my ever living head!**

### CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 115

Come, people of God, worship the LORD with one voice!  
Trust in Him, for He is your help and your shield.

*Silence*

### LITURGY OF THE WORD Psalms 115, 139 Philippians 3

Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to Your name give glory,  
for the sake of Your steadfast love and Your faithfulness.

**Why should the nations say, "Where is their God?"  
Our God is in the heavens;  
He does all that He pleases.**

O LORD, You have searched us and known us!  
You know our movements, our thoughts, our ways, and our words.

**How precious to us are Your thoughts, O God!  
How vast is the sum of them!  
For Christ has made us His very own by His power and His love,  
and so we worship You in spirit and truth.**

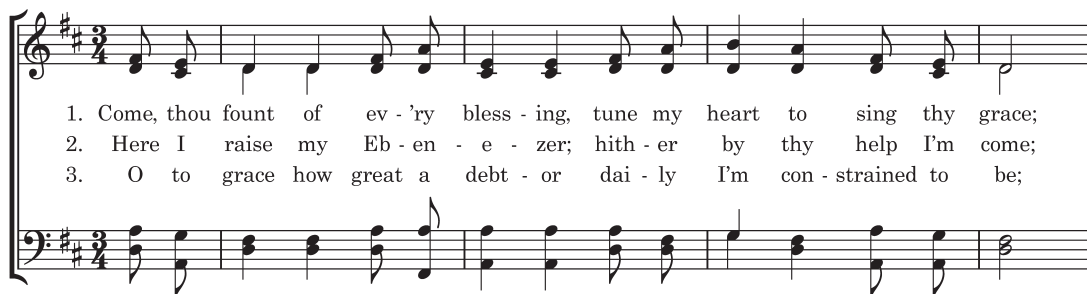
### INVOCATION

#### 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.**

# "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

NETTLETON  
text: Robert Robinson, 1758  
Harmony alt., Ben Weldy



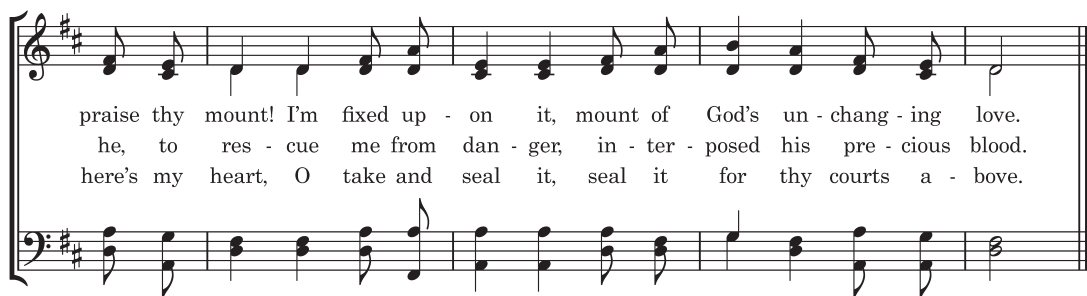
1. Come, thou fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
2. Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer; hith - er by thy help I'm come;  
3. O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee.



Teach me\_ some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by\_ flam - ing tongues a - bove;  
Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of God:  
Prone to\_ wan - der— Lord, I feel\_ it— prone to\_ leave the God I love:



praise thy mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.  
he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.



1. Oh who is He who seeks the lost and in his love did come,
2. Oh who is this who calmed the seas and search - es in His joy
3. Oh who is He that tar - ries for the hearts of wretch - ed men,
4. Oh who is He that sees and tries the deeds of ev - 'ry man



who left the realm of an - gel's praise, the man - y for the One  
 for sin - ners tar - nished by the fall, to Him a pre - cious coin  
 I turned and ran and squan - dered all, my Fa - ther had to give  
 Our works that fail to jus - ti - fy, my soul could nev - er stand

Repeat final verse



I was a - stray bound for the grave He called me to His cross  
 Re - lent - less - ly He came for me was bur - ied in my sin  
 In poor es - tate I did a - wake and grace that paved the road  
 My soul de - fense, my right - eous - ness, my com - men - da - tion plea



He lift - ed me, this shep - herd King, and car - ried me to God.  
 He pur - chased, for He paid it all, now I am found in Him.  
 With bound - less love He ran to me and wel - comed me back home.  
 From first to last His sov - 'reign grace, this sin - ner's on - ly plea.

Heavenly Father, all things are from You  
and through You alone do we exist.

**So to You we confess our pride and our arrogance.  
Like our first parents, we puff ourselves up in “knowledge,”  
but the result is self-deceit and destruction.  
Thinking that we are wise,  
we prove ourselves to be foolish.  
We fail to bear with each other’s weaknesses,  
and we are slow to build one another up in love.  
We cherish our “rights” more than our brothers and sisters,  
and so we sin against them and against Christ Himself.  
In Your grace, give us the strength to comprehend with all the saints  
what is the breadth and length and height and depth,  
and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge,  
that we may be filled with all the fullness of God.  
Amen.**

*Silent confession*

Son and daughters, in God’s rich mercy and great love,  
He has pardoned your sin and made you alive together with Christ.  
By grace you have been saved.

**Our Father has raised us up with Christ  
and has seated us with Him in the heavenly places,  
so that He might show us the immeasurable riches of His grace!  
Hallelujah! Amen!**

A reading from Moses: The people of Israel groan in desperation and are known by God.

*Children, Pre-K and Kinder, are invited to attend Worship Training.  
All children are 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.*

“I Know that My Redeemer Lives”

*DUKE STREET*

**He lives to bless me with His love;  
He lives to plead for me above;  
He lives my hungry soul to feed;  
He lives to help in time of need.**

**CONFESSION  
OF SIN & PLEA FOR  
PARDON**

1 Corinthians 8  
Ephesians 3

**ASSURANCE  
OF PARDON**  
Ephesians 2

**OLD TESTAMENT  
READING**  
Exodus 2.23-25

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SHARING THE  
PEACE OF CHRIST**

**DOXOLOGY**

<sup>1</sup> Now concerning food offered to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” This “knowledge” puffs up, but love builds up. <sup>2</sup> If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. <sup>3</sup> But if anyone loves God, he is known by God.

<sup>4</sup> Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “an idol has no real existence,” and that “there is no God but one.” <sup>5</sup> For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many “gods” and many “lords”— <sup>6</sup> yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

<sup>7</sup> However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. <sup>8</sup> Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. <sup>9</sup> But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. <sup>10</sup> For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol’s temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? <sup>11</sup> And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. <sup>12</sup> Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. <sup>13</sup> Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

“Freedom Revisited”

1 Corinthians 8.1-13

**The bondage of knowing**

**The freedom of being known**

**The problem with rights**

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  
*Brazilian Communion Liturgy (Guanabara Confession, 1558)*

Christ gives not mere bread alone, but through the sign,  
Christ is truly received by faith.  
Our Lord Jesus, by His power, kindness, and grace  
feeds and preserves our souls,  
making us partakers of His flesh and blood,  
and of all His benefits.

**We do not prepare our teeth and stomach, but our hearts.**

Nourish us with Your very self, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Come to the Table...

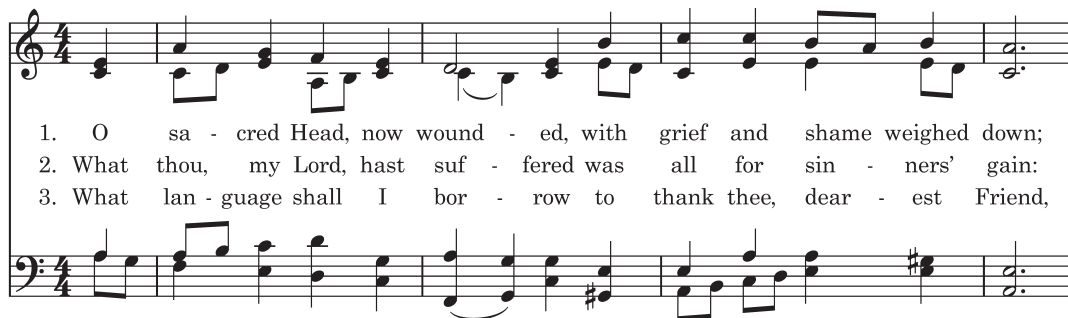
DIRECTIONS

<p><b>THE TABLE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Ushers will release you by rows after the music team has partaken</i></li><li>• <i>Grape juice is in the outer ring of the tray and wine in the center</i></li><li>• <i>Gluten-free bread is available at each table</i></li></ul> <p><b>OFFERINGS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Tithes and gifts can be brought to the box in the center of the room. Alms can be placed in the bowl held by the deacon.</i></li><li>• <i>Online Giving - <a href="http://newstpeters.org/give">newstpeters.org/give</a></i></li></ul>	<p><b>INTERCESSORY PRAYER</b></p> <p><i>Elders, Deacons, and members of our Women's Leadership Team will be on stage near the musicians to pray with and for you.</i></p> <p><b>PRAYER FOR FAITH</b></p> <p><i>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.</i></p>
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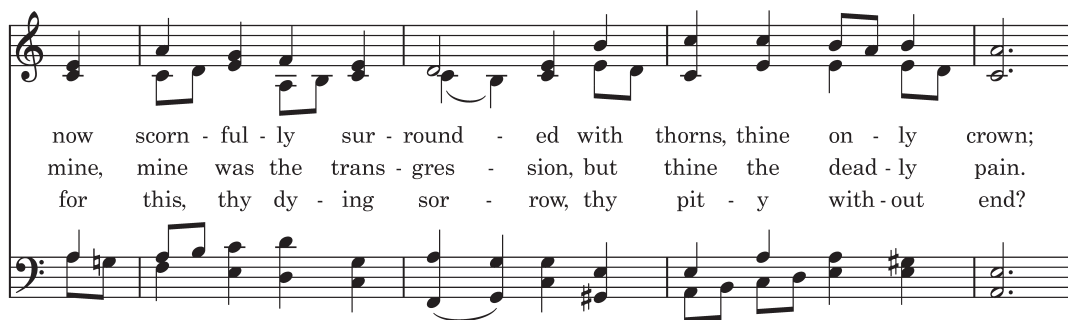


# "O Sacred Head Now Wounded"

Passion Chorale  
text: Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091-1153 Tr.



1. O sa - cred Head, now wound - ed, with grief and shame weighed down;  
2. What thou, my Lord, hast suf - fered was all for sin - ners' gain;  
3. What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est Friend,



now scorn - ful - ly sur - round - ed with thorns, thine on - ly crown;  
mine, mine was the trans - gres - sion, but thine the dead - ly pain.  
for this, thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pit - y with - out end?



O sa - cred Head, what glo - ry, what bliss till now was thine!  
Lo, here I fall, my Sav - ior! 'Tis I de - serve thy place;  
O make me thine for - ev - er; and should I faint - ing be,



Yet, though de - spised and gor - y, I joy to call thee mine.  
look on me with thy fa - vor, vouch - safe to me thy grace.  
Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er out - live my love to thee.

"No, Not One!"

Harper Memorial  
Johnson Oatman Jr., 1895  
arr. Paul Zach, 2021



1. There's not a friend like the low - ly Je - sus, No, not one!
2. No friend like Him is so high and ho - ly, No, not one!
3. There's not an hour that He is not near us, No, not one!



No, not one! None else could heal all our soul's dis - eas - es,\_\_\_\_  
No, not one! And yet no friend is so meek and low - ly,\_\_\_\_  
No, not one! No night so dark but His love can cheer us,\_\_\_\_

*Refrain*



No, not one! No, not one!  
No, not one! No, not one! Je - sus knows all a - bout our  
No, not one! No, not one!



strug - gles, He will guide till the day is done; There's not a



friend like the low - ly Je - sus, No, not one! No, not one!

# "Approach, My Soul, the Mercy Seat"

Kevin Twit, 1998  
text: John Newton, 1779

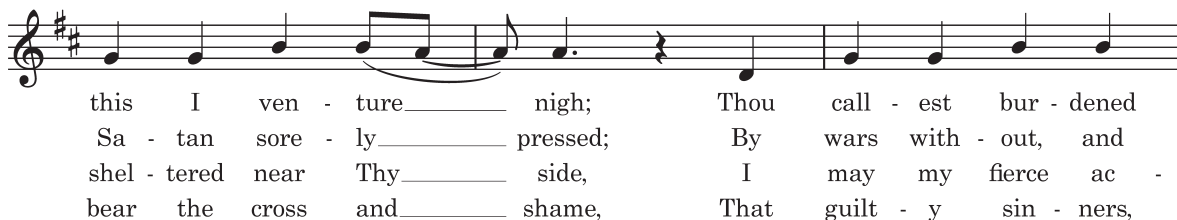
## Refrain



Where



2. Bowed down be - neath a load of sin, by
3. Be Thou my shield and hid - ing place, that,
4. O won - drous Love to bleed and die, to



**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**  
*Ephesians 6*

May peace be to you, brothers and sisters, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Grace be with all who love our Savior with love incorruptible.

**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.

[www.newstpeters.org](http://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)

School of Life & Doctrine (SOLD) is our Christian education ministry for all ages. We meet here at the Dallas Children's Theater, including classes for kids, youth, and adults. SOLD will resume Sunday, September 14.

### **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, 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](http://www.newstpeters.org)



# ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

## THIS WEEK

- **20somethings Summer Bible Study** - Summer Bible Study continues on Tuesdays from 6:30 - 8:30PM at Daniel and Justin's house. If any questions, please contact Nicolas (469.514.5210) or Sarai (512.945.5787).
- **Youth Paddle Trip** - August 16. Plan to meet at the DCT at 9AM to head to Waco!

## UPCOMING

- **Property** - Mark your calendars for important (tentative) dates related to the NW Highway property:
  - August 24: Info Session, Q&A
  - September 6: Site Tour
  - September 7: Info Session, Q&A
  - September 13: Site Tour
  - September 14: Final Due Diligence Presentation
  - September 21: Congregational Vote
- **Children's Back to School Event** - Plan to join us on Sunday, August 24, at 3:30 PM at the Lake Highlands North Sprayground. Pizza and water will be provided.

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out a short visitor's form.

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