

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP



NEW ST PETER'S

AUGUST 17, 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

"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 Isaiah 61

Rejoice in the Lord!
Exult in your God;
sprout up in praise!

Silence

LITURGY OF THE WORD Isaiah 61

The Lord, God, He has sent Christ to bind up the brokenhearted,
to proclaim liberty to the captives,
and to open the prison to those who are bound.

Proclaim the year of the LORD's favor to comfort all who mourn.

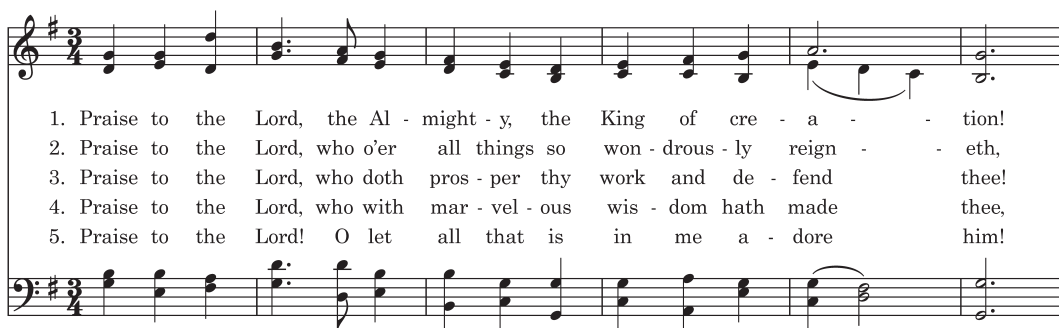
Give them the oil of gladness instead of mourning,
the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit;
that the LORD may be glorified.

**We shall be called the priests of the LORD;
we shall speak as the ministers of our God;
we shall eat the wealth of the nations,
and in their glory we shall boast.**

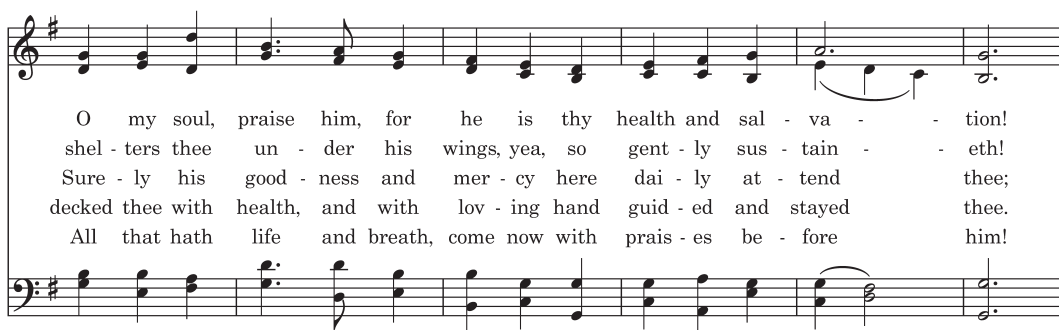
INVOCATION

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

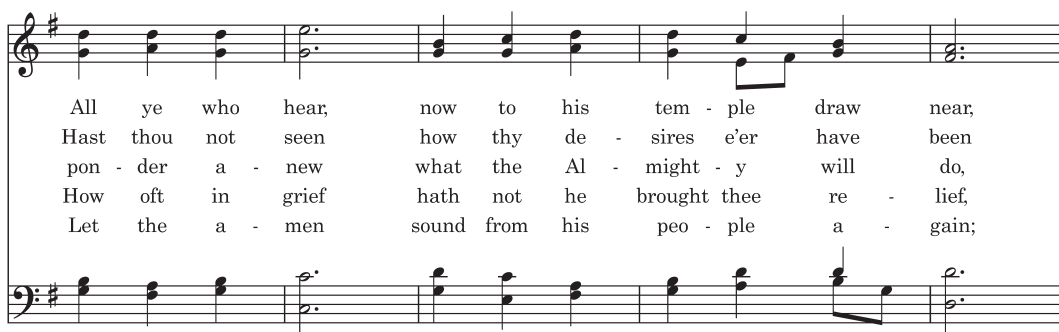
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text: based on Psalm 103, Joachim Neander, 1680



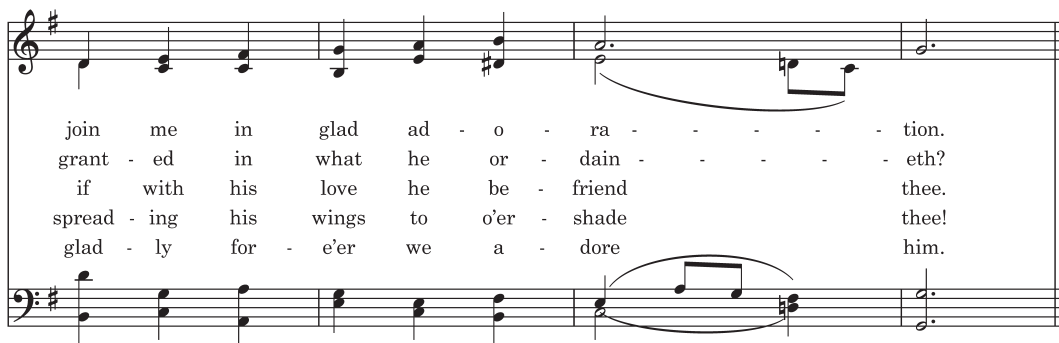
1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - - tion!
2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly reign - - eth,
3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de - fend thee!
4. Praise to the Lord, who with mar - vel - ous wis - dom hath made thee,
5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a - dore him!



O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and sal - va - - tion!
shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so gent - ly sus - tain - - eth!
Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy here dai - ly at - tend thee;
decked thee with health, and with lov - ing hand guid - ed and stayed thee.
All that hath life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!



All ye who hear, now to his tem - ple draw near,
Hast thou not seen how thy de - sires e'er have been
pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y will do,
How oft in grief hath not he brought thee re - lief,
Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain;



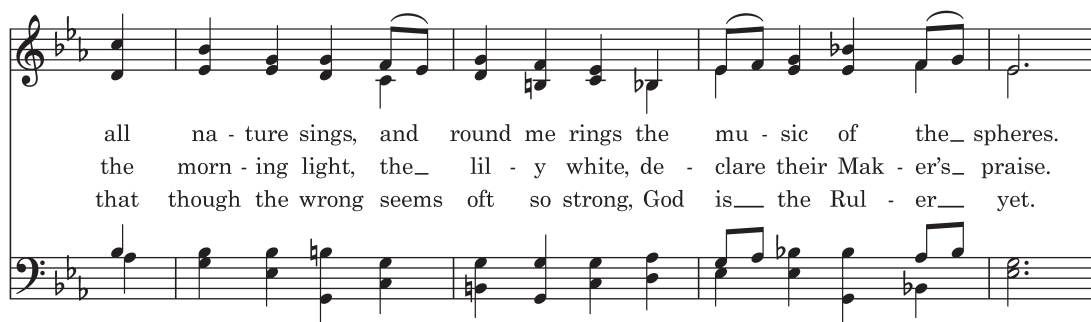
join me in glad ad - o - ra - - - - - tion.
grant - ed in what he or - dain - - - - - eth?
if with his love he be - friend thee.
spread - ing his wings to o'er - shade thee!
glad - ly for - e'er we a - dore him.

"This Is My Father's World"

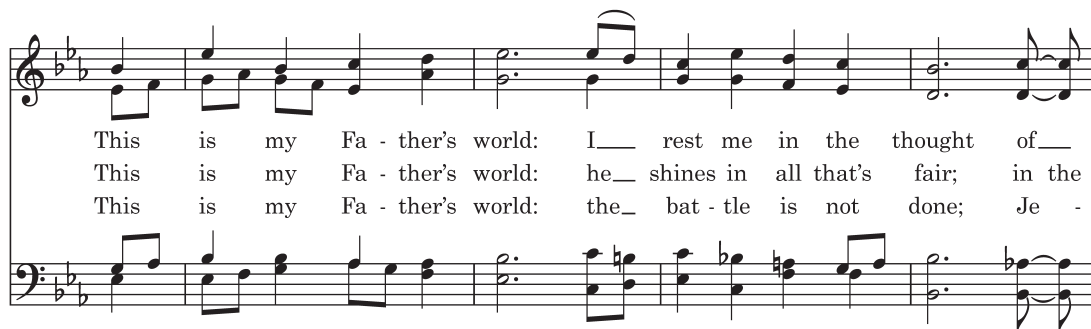
Terra Beata
Maltbie D. Babcock, 1901




1. This is my Fa - ther's world, and_ to my lis - t'ning ears,
2. This is my Fa - ther's world, the_ birds their car - ols raise,
3. This is my Fa - ther's world, O_ let me ne'er for - get



all na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the_ spheres.
the morn - ing light, the_ lil - y white, de - clare their Mak - er's_ praise.
that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is_ the Rul - er_ yet.



This is my Fa - ther's world: I_ rest me in the thought of_
This is my Fa - ther's world: he_ shines in all that's fair; in the
This is my Fa - ther's world: the_ bat - tle is not done; Je -



rocks and trees, of_ skies and seas; his hand the won - ders_ wrought.
rus - tling grass I_ hear him pass, he speaks to me ev - ery - where.
- sus who died shall be sat - is - fied, and earth and heav'n be_ one.

Holy Father, You anoint us with Your Spirit in order that we may proclaim freedom.

**Forgive us for shrinking back from the mission
You have entrusted to us.**

**We confess that we have sought our own comfort
rather than the salvation of others.**

**We have guarded our rights
more than we have laid them down for the sake of the gospel.**

**We have kept silent when You called us to speak,
and spoken when we should have listened.**

**We have sought to bolster our own strength
rather than spend it for the good of others.**

**We have grouped ourselves in cliques and tribes
rather than making ourselves servants for the sake of the gospel.**

**By Your Spirit, renew our zeal to become servants to all,
so that in all we do, Christ would be proclaimed and glorified.
Amen.**

Silent confession

Brothers and sisters in Christ,
we proclaim the year of the LORD's favor.
Through the work of Christ our God,
He has pardoned your iniquity and passed over your transgression!

**He has clothed us with the garments of salvation
and covered us with the robe of righteousness! Hallelujah! Amen.**

A reading from the Psalms: God's people rejoice as the nations come
to share in the blessings of His city.

*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, my kind, wise, heavenly friend;
He lives and loves me to the end;
He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing;
He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King!**

**CONFESSION
OF SIN & PLEA FOR
PARDON**

1 Corinthians 9
Isaiah 61

**ASSURANCE OF
PARDON &
INTERCESSORY
PRAYER**

Isaiah 61
Micah 7

**OLD TESTAMENT
READING**
Psalm 87:1-7

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SHARING THE
PEACE OF CHRIST**

DOXOLOGY

¹ Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Jesus our Lord? Are not you my workmanship in the Lord? ² If to others I am not an apostle, at least I am to you, for you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord.

¹⁵ But I have made no use of any of these rights, nor am I writing these things to secure any such provision. For I would rather die than have anyone deprive me of my ground for boasting. ¹⁶ For if I preach the gospel, that gives me no ground for boasting. For necessity is laid upon me. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel! ¹⁷ For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward, but if not of my own will, I am still entrusted with a stewardship. ¹⁸ What then is my reward? That in my preaching I may present the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my right in the gospel.

¹⁹ For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them. ²⁰ To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might win those under the law. ²¹ To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ) that I might win those outside the law. ²² To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some. ²³ I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings.

²⁴ Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. ²⁵ Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. ²⁶ So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. ²⁷ But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

“The Grand Prize”

1 Corinthians 9.1-2, 15-27

What it means

What it gives

What it asks

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

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.

“Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted”

O mein Jesu, Ich muss sterben
text: Thomas Kelly, 1804



1. Strick - en, smit - ten, and af - flict - ed, see him dy - ing on the tree!
2. Tell me, ye who hear him groan - ing, was there ev - er grief like his?
3. Ye who think of sin but light - ly nor sup - pose the e - vil great
4. Here we have a firm foun - da - tion, here the ref - uge of the lost;



'Tis the Christ by man re - ject - ed; yes, my soul, 'tis he, 'tis he!
Friends thro' fear his cause dis - own - ing, foes in - sult - ing his dis - tress;
here may view its na - ture right - ly, here its guilt may es - ti - mate.
Christ's the Rock of our sal - va - tion, his the name of which we boast.



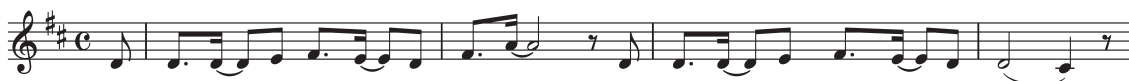
'Tis the long - ex - pect - ed Proph - et, Da - vid's son, yet Dav - id's Lord;
man - y hands were raised to wound him, none would in - ter - pose to save;
Mark the sac - ri - fice ap - point - ed, see who bears the aw - ful load;
Lamb of God, for sin - ners wound - ed, sac - ri - fice to can - cel guilt!



by his Son God now has spo - ken: 'tis the true and faith - ful Word.
but the deep - est stroke that pierced him was the stroke that Jus - tice gave.
'tis the Word, the Lord's A - noint - ed, Son of Man and Son of God.
None shall ev - er be con - found - ed who on him their hope have built.

"Psalm 113 (Who Is Like the Lord Our God?)"

Bruce Benedict &
Wendell Kimbrough, 2013



1. Our Fa - ther, He lifts from the ash - es_ He rais - es_ the poor and the lost;_
2. Though e - qual to God in_ His glo - ry,_ Christ Je - sus be - came like a slave;_
3. O Saints, fix your eyes on_ the Sav - ior And count all_ your right - eous-ness lost_



He seats them to dine at_ his ta - ble, To feast with-out mon - ey_ or cost._
He hum - bled him - self in_ o - be - dience To Death, and the Cross, and the Grave._
Be found in_ his love and his fa - vor And share in_ his death on_ the cross_



The lone - ly_ he set - tles in fam - ilies The bar - ren a moth - er_ he makes;_
Vic - to - rious, he rose to_ the high - est; In glo - ry,_ the Sav - ior was raised._
That all of_ his pow - er_ in vic - tory, Im - part - ed_ to you, may a - bound_



O hap - py_ the heart of_ the stran - ger Who's wel - comed by this King of Grace.
His name a - bove all names ex - alt - ed; The heav - ens_ and earth sing His praise.
And shar - ing the suf - f'ings of Je - sus, You share in_ his glo - ry_ and crown.

Refrain



Who is like the Lord our God? Who with glo - ry fills the sky? But



hum - bles him - self with the bro - ken to dwell Who is like our God?

"Psalm 62 (I'll Not Be Shaken)"

Wendell Kimbrough, 2015



1. For God a - lone I wait in si - lence. My soul is still be - fore the Lord.
2. Put not your hope in gain of rich - es; seek not your rest in emp - ty wealth.
3. Pour out your heart to God our re - fuge and trust in Him to hear you cry.



He is my rock and my sal - va - tion, my for - tress strong; I trust in Him.
The rich are weak, the poor are might - y who turn to God a - lone for help.
No oth - er hope will nev - er fail you, no oth - er love will not run dry.

Refrain



I'll not be shak - en, I'll not be shak - en, for all my hope is in His love.



From God a - lone comes my sal - va - tion; I'll wait and trust His stead - fast love.



love; I'll wait and trust His stead - fast love.

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
Isaiah 61

May the Lord God cause righteousness and praise to flourish among you before all nations. And may your children and your children's children be known among the peoples, so that all who see you will know: you are a people the Lord has blessed.

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)

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)

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



ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

THIS WEEK

- **Property Info Session** - Next Sunday join us in the Gables (upstairs) for a Q&A time. We will meet beginning at 9:00 AM.
- **Children's Back to School Event** - Plan to join us next Sunday, 8/24, at 3:30 PM at the Lake Highlands North Sprayground. Pizza and water will be provided.

UPCOMING

- **Property** - Mark your calendars for important (tentative) dates related to the NW Highway property:
 - September 6: Site Tour
 - September 7: Info Session, Q&A
 - September 13: Site Tour
 - September 14: Final Due Diligence Presentation
 - September 21: Congregational Vote
- **Fall Men's and Women's Ministry** - As the fall approaches, be sure to pay attention to your weekly emails and to our website for information about men's and women's ministries coming up soon—including Bible studies, prayer groups, mentorship, and more! Reach out to Stephen or the WLT for more info.

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