# CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP



AUGUST 31, 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**

"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 Psalm 100 Matthew 28

Come and serve the LORD with gladness! Praise the name of our God and Savior the Three in One: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Silence

## LITURGY OF THE WORD Psalm 8 Ephesians 5

O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth! You have set Your glory above the heavens.

When we look at the heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars which You have set in place, who are we that You are mindful of us and care for us?

Indeed, this mystery is profound: that in Christ we are known, loved, nourished, and cherished. For by Your word, You have washed us and cleansed us, and by Your death, You have loved us and sanctified us—

so that You might present us to Yourself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing; and that we might be holy and without blemish, to the praise of Your glory.

#### INVOCATION



- 1. E ter nal God, un chang ing, mys te rious and un known;
- 2. Lord, we\_are weak and frail,\_\_\_\_ we're help-less in the storm;
- 3. Let eve ry crea ture in\_\_ the sea, and eve ry fly ing bird,



Your bound-less love, un fail ing, grace and mer - cy shown. sur - round us with Your gels, hold us in Your an arms. let eve - ry moun - tain, eve - ry\_ field, and val - ley of the earth,



Bright ser - aph - im in cease - less flight a - round Your glo - rious throne; Our cold and ruth - less en - e - my, his pleas - ure is\_\_\_ our harm; let all the moons and all the stars in all the u - ni - verse



they raise\_their voice - s day\_ and night in praise to You a - lone. rise up,\_\_ O Lord, and he\_ will flee be - fore our sov - ereign God. sing prais - es to the liv - ing God who rules them by His\_ word.







Our Heavenly Father, we are Yours—sons and daughters made in Your image.

And so we come seeking Your mercy and grace.
For we have exchanged Your truth for lies,
worshipping and serving the creature rather than You, our Creator.
We so often come to You on our own terms,
puffing ourselves up in pride against You and each other.
We seek to live in isolation,
desiring independence from You,
from the church,
and from one another.
Forgive us for these sins,
humble us by Your gracious love,
and grant us true repentance to the glory of Christ, our Head.
Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN & PLEA FOR PARDON

Romans 1 1 Corinthians 11

## Silent confession

Bride of Christ, by God's rich mercy and grace, He has saved you through faith in His Son Jesus Christ. Your sins are forgiven in His name.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Ephesians 2

This is God's gift to us, not a result of our effort. For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, that we may walk in them. Hallelujah! Amen!

A reading from Moses: The LORD God institutes the marriage relationship as an image of participation, fullness, and joy.

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**Genesis 2.18-25

Children, Pre-K and Kinder, are invited to attend Worship Training. All children are retrieved after the sermon for Communion.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

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

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Please return to your seats and remain standing.

"God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory"

Ode to Joy

DOXOLOGY

Clearer still we see Thy hand In man whom Thou hast made for Thee; Ruler of creation's glory, image of Thy majesty. Music, art, the fruitful garden, all the labor of his days, OFFERINGS & ALMS Micah 6 2 Corinthians 8 So may our abundance of joy overflow in a wealth of generosity through Jesus Christ our Lord. He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you?

To do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God, knowing the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for our sake He became poor so that we by His poverty might become rich.

SERMON

1 Corinthians 11.2-16

Rev. Alex Dean

<sup>2</sup> Now I commend you because you remember me in everything and maintain the traditions even as I delivered them to you. <sup>3</sup> But I want you to understand that the head of every man is Christ, the head of a wife is her husband, and the head of Christ is God. 4 Every man who prays or prophesies with his head covered dishonors his head, <sup>5</sup> but every wife who prays or prophesies with her head uncovered dishonors her head, since it is the same as if her head were shaven. <sup>6</sup> For if a wife will not cover her head, then she should cut her hair short. But since it is disgraceful for a wife to cut off her hair or shave her head, let her cover her head. <sup>7</sup> For a man ought not to cover his head, since he is the image and glory of God, but woman is the glory of man. 8 For man was not made from woman, but woman from man. 9 Neither was man created for woman, but woman for man. 10 That is why a wife ought to have a symbol of authority on her head, because of the angels. 11 Nevertheless, in the Lord woman is not independent of man nor man of woman; 12 for as woman was made from man, so man is now born of woman. And all things are from God. <sup>13</sup> Judge for yourselves: is it proper for a wife to pray to God with her head uncovered? <sup>14</sup> Does not nature itself teach you that if a man wears long hair it is a disgrace for him, 15 but if a woman has long hair, it is her glory? For her hair is given to her for a covering. 16 If anyone is inclined to be contentious, we have no such practice, nor do the churches of God.

	"The Manner Matters"
	1 Corinthians 11.2-16
The Manner of Headship	
The Manner of Worship	

The Manner of Argument

## 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.

# 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 & ALMS**

- 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.
- 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.

<sup>\*</sup>He descended into judgment and continued in the state of the dead until the third day.



- 1. Come, ye\_\_ sin ners, poor and need y, weak and\_ wound ed,\_ sick and sore;
- 2. Come, ye\_\_ thirst y,\_\_ come, and wel-come, God's free\_ boun ty\_\_ glo ri fy;
- 3. Let not\_ con science make you lin ger, nor of\_\_\_ fit ness fond ly dream;
- 4. Come, ye\_\_ wea ry,\_\_ heav y la den, lost and\_ ru ined by the fall; Ref. I will a rise and go to Je sus; he wil em brace me in his arms;



read - y stands to full of pit - y,\_\_\_ love. Je - sus save you, and power. be - lief\_ and true re - pent-ance, ev - ery grace that brings you nigh. him. all the fit - ness he re - quir - eth isto  $\mathrm{feel}_{-}$ your need of if you tar - ry till you're bet - ter, you will nev - er\_\_\_ come all. at inthearms of my dear Sav - ior, 0, there are\_\_ ten\_\_ thou - sand charms.



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- 1. O, God of our sal va tion Who reigns up on the throne,
- 2. Be hold the Son, our Sav ior, Who for our sins was slain,
- 3. O, God, the Ho ly Spir it re veal ing de i ty, the



sov-'reign Fa-ther, great is He from Whom all bless-ings flow. Christ Who pur-chased with His blood the wretch-ed souls of men. fount of life and love di-vine through-out e-ter-ni-ty.





Fa - ther, Son and Spir - it, the bless - ed Three in One.

## 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 4

May you be renewed in the spirit of your minds as you walk closely with Jesus, putting off the old self and putting on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

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.

## CORF 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**

- NW Highway Property The first Site Tour is September 6, at 9:00 AM. Please check the all church emails for other important dates.
- **RUF-I at UTD** Join us for our fall ministries! We'll kick it off with our Labor Day Picnic tomorrow on Monday Sept 1 from 5–7 PM at Cottonwood Park. Dinnner and discussion night will start on Sept 4. Contact justin.smith@ruf.org for more info.
- **Parent Meeting** Calling all parents with children in 1st-12th Grade to join us on Sunday, September 7th at 9:00 AM in the small theater. We are excited to discuss this coming semester as well as hear a quick word on anxiety and kids.

#### **UPCOMING**

- **SOLD** kicks off for kids on 9/14. Adults and youth begin on 9/21.
- **New Member Class** begins on September 21 at 9 AM. We invite all to come and learn more about life here at NSP. Sign up at newstpeters.org/im-new.
- Fall Men's and Women's Ministries Look at your emails and our website for information about men's and women's ministries coming up this fall—including Bible studies, prayer groups, mentorship, and more! Reach out to Stephen or the WLT for more info.

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