

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP



NEW ST PETER'S

SEPTEMBER 14, 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

"The Church's One Foundation"

Aurelia

**The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is His new creation by water and the Word:
From heav'n He came and sought her to be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.**

CALL TO WORSHIP Revelation 22

The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say,
"Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take
the water of life without price.

Silence

LITURGY OF THE WORD Psalm 1 John 7

Blessed are they who walk not in the counsel of the wicked,
nor stand in the way of sinners,
nor sit in the seat of scoffers.

**Surely our delight is in the law of the LORD,
and on His law we meditate day and night.**

They are like trees planted by streams of water
that yield their fruit in their season and their leaf does not wither.
In all that they do, they prosper.

**Out of our hearts flow rivers of living water,
for we have come to You in faith, Lord Jesus—
entrusting ourselves to You
and living by the power of Your Holy Spirit.**

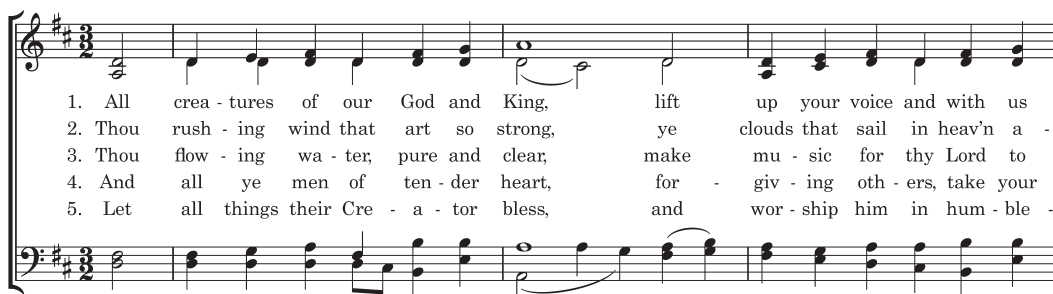
INVOCATION

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.**

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

Lasst uns erfreuen
text: Francis of Assisi, ca. 1225
Harmony alt. Ben Weldy

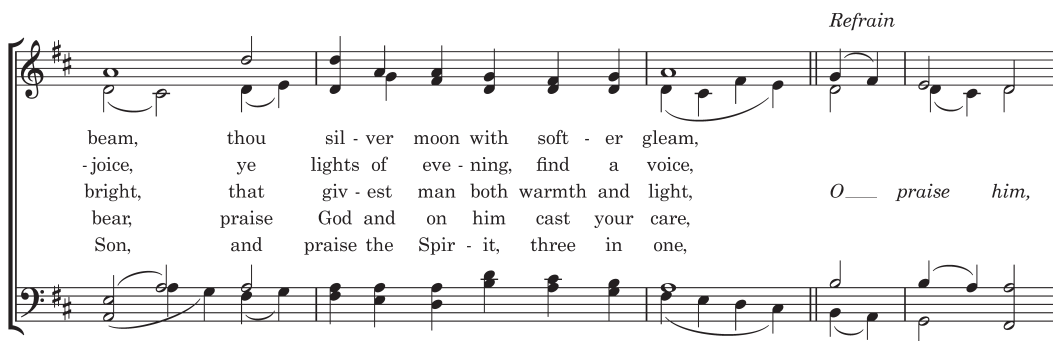


1. All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us
2. Thou rush - ing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in heav'n a -
3. Thou flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for thy Lord to
4. And all ye men of ten - der heart, for - giv - ing oth - ers, take your
5. Let all things their Cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble -



sing al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Thou burn - ing sun with gold - en
- long, O___ praise him, al - le - lu - ia! Thou ris - ing morn in praise re -
hear, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Thou fire so mas - ter - ful and
part, O___ sing ye, al - le - lu - ia! Ye who long pain and sor - row
- ness, O___ praise him, al - le - lu - ia! Praise, praise the Fa - ther, praise the

Refrain



beam, thou sil - ver moon with soft - er gleam,
- joice, ye lights of eve - ning, find a voice,
bright, that giv - est man both warmth and light, O___ praise him,
bear, praise God and on him cast your care,
Son, and praise the Spir - it, three in one,



O___ praise him, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

"God the Spirit"

Matt Boswell, 2009
text: Samuel Stone, 1866



1. Ho - ly fount of in - spi - ra - tion, by whose gift the great of_ old,_
2. Au - thor of the new cre - a - tion, Giv - er of the sec - ond birth,
3. When we wan - der, Lord di - rect us, keep us in the Mas - ter's way.



Spoke the word of rev - e - la - tion, mar - vel - ous and
May Thy cease - less ren - o - va - tion cleanse our souls from
Let Thy strong swift sword pro - tect us_ war - ring in the

1.2.
% Refrain



man - i - fold.
stains of_ earth. God the Spir - it, we a - dore Thee, in the Tri - une
e - vil_ day.



God - head One. One in love and pow - er and glo - ry



with the Fath - er_ and the_ Son.____ Shall the



church now faint or fear when the Com - fort - er is near?_

D.S. al Fine

Almighty God, we come to You as one people.

**For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body,
and we have all been given to drink from the same Spirit.
But we are prone to comparison and to division.
We are slow to listen, quick to speak, and quick to anger.
You call us to suffer and to rejoice together,
but we are distracted, self-absorbed, and complacent.
As we confess these sins to You,
enable us to seek humility,
to associate with the lowly,
and to love one another with brotherly affection.
By the grace of our Lord Jesus,
teach us to outdo one another in showing honor
as we embody the genuine love of our Savior.
Amen.**

Silent confession

People of God, you have been buried with Christ by baptism into death,
in order that, just as He was raised from the dead by the glory of the
Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

**For if we have been united with Him in a death like His,
we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His.
So we consider ourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.
Hallelujah! Amen!**

A reading from the Prophets: In the Day of the LORD, every vessel in the
house of God will be honored and consecrated by the living water that
flows from the throne.

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.**

**CONFESSION
OF SIN & PLEA FOR
PARDON**

Romans 12
1 Corinthians 12

**ASSURANCE
OF PARDON**
Romans 6

**OLD TESTAMENT
READING**
Zechariah 14.8-9,
20-21

**PREPARATION
FOR BAPTISM**
Deuteronomy 6.4-9

Acts 2.38-39

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.

WORDS OF
INSTRUCTION

Rev. Alex Dean

SIGN OF GOD'S
COVENANT IN
BAPTISM

Mr. Jim Pocta 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 Simon Caleb Griffin

Will you the people of New St. Peter's pray for Simon 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 Griffin family.

And will you pray for all our recently baptized—Ross Martin, Arthur Goetsch, Sebastian Gile, Wyatt Clay, Grace Esquivel, and Hendrix Datcher—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.

“The Church’s One Foundation”

Aurelia

**Elect from ev’ry nation, yet one o’er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses, with ev’ry grace endued.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING THE
PEACE OF CHRIST

DOXOLOGY

⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵ and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone.

⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

¹² For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slave or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit.

¹⁴ For the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵ If the foot should say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body.

¹⁸ But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹ If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰ As it is, there are many parts, yet one body.

²¹ The eye cannot say to the hand, “*I have no need of you*,” nor again the head to the feet, “*I have no need of you*.” ²² On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³ and on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unpresentable parts are treated with greater modesty, ²⁴ which our more presentable parts do not require. But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, ²⁵ that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶ If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together.

“Body Image”

1 Corinthians 12.4-7, 12-15, 18-26

Reflective Diversity

Interdependent Unity

Compassionate Honor

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
Adapted from "The Didache" (c. 1st-2nd Century AD)

As bread and wine nourish and sustain the life of our bodies, so the You, almighty Master, created all things for Your name's sake, and gave food and drink for people to enjoy.

But to us You have graciously given spiritual food and drink, and eternal life through Your Servant.

So in His name we give You thanks, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Come to the Table...

DIRECTIONS

<p>THE TABLE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Ushers will release you by rows after the music team has partaken</i>• <i>Grape juice is in the outer ring of the tray and wine in the center</i>• <i>Gluten-free bread is available at each table</i> <p>OFFERINGS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Tithes and gifts can be brought to the box in the center of the room.</i>• <i>Online Giving - newstpeters.org/give</i>	<p>INTERCESSORY PRAYER</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>PRAYER FOR FAITH</p> <p><i>If you are not a follower of Jesus, we invite you to reflect on the prayer at the bottom of page 14, 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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"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

Stuart Townend, 1995



1. How deep the Fa - ther's love for us, how vast be - yond all meas -
2. Be - hold the Man up - on a cross, my sin up - on His shoul -
3. I will not boast in an - y - thing, no gifts, no pow'r, no wis -



-ure, that He should give His on - ly Son to
 -ders; a - shamed, I hear my mock - ing voice call
 -dom; but I will boast in Je - sus Christ, His



make a wretch His treas - ure. How great the pain of sear - ing
 out a - mong the scoff - ers. It was my sin that held Him
 death and res - ur - rec - tion. Why should I gain from His re -



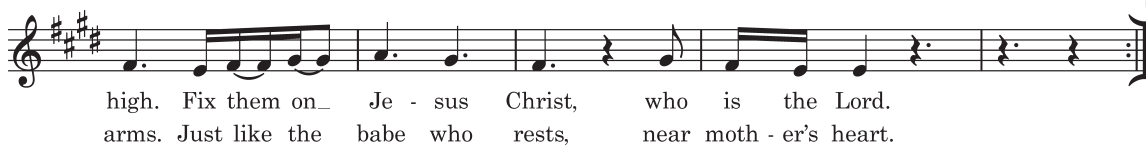
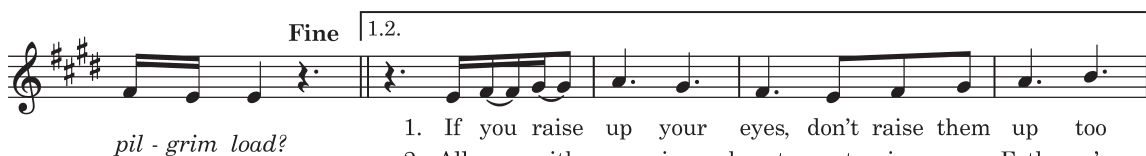
loss; the Fa - ther turns His face a - way, as
 there un - til it was ac - com - - plished; His
 -ward? I can - not give an an - - swer. But



wounds which mar the Cho - sen One bring man - y sons to glo - ry.
 dy - ing breath has brought me life I know that it is fin - ished.
 this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ran - som.

"Psalm 131 (A Song of Ascents)"

Alex Dean, 2023



"For All the Saints"

Christopher Miner, 1997

William H. How, 1864



1. For all the saints_ who from his la - bor's rest_ to thee by_
2. Thou wast their rock,_ their for - tress and their might; Thou, Lord their
3. O may thy sol - diers faith - ful, true, and_ bold, Fight as the



- faith_ be - fore the world con - fess_ thy name O Je - sus be for -
 Cap - tain in the well - fought fight; Thou, in the dark - ness drear, their
 saints_ who no - bly fought of_ old,_ And win with them the vic - tor's

Last Time To Coda ⊕



- ev - er_ blessed.
 one_ true_ light. *Al - le - lu - ia,* *Al - le - lu.*
 crown of_ gold.



lu - - - ia.

4. The golden evening brightens in the west;
 Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest;
 Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. *Alleluia, Allelu.*

5. But, lo! There breaks a yet more glorious day;
 The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
 The King of glory passes on his way. *Alleluia, Allelu.*

6. From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
 Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
 Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. *Alleluia, Alleluia.*

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 12

May you walk in the steps of Your Savior as you serve Him in a zealous and fervent spirit—rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, constant in prayer, and caring for one another in genuine love and hospitality.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

THIS WEEK

- **Congregational Meeting** - On September 21, after worship, we will have a congregational meeting for two purposes: 1) to vote to close on the property, and 2) to vote on the Session's recommendation of Stephen Buerger as associate pastor. Please make plans to be present for this exciting time in the life of our church.
- **New Member Class** - begins on September 21 at 9am. 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!

UPCOMING

- **Youth - Roctoher X - Sign up** - It's Roctoher time! Join us for the 10th annual presbytery-wide fall retreat. Registration is now open. The deadline to register is Sept 30. We will be back at Camp Copass overnight, and our very own Justin Smith will be this year's speaker! You can see a rough schedule of the retreat via a link in Tuesday's email. **Please note, you must register your student(s) both with NSP specifically (where we will collect payment) and generally for the retreat.** The links are included in Tuesday's email.

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