

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP



NEW ST PETER'S

NOVEMBER 23, 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

"Jesus Shall Reign"

Duke Street

**Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does his successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.**

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 103

Come and bless the LORD in body and soul;
bless His holy name with all that is within you!

Silence

LITURGY OF THE WORD Psalm 27 Ezekiel 34 Philippians 3

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

**We ask of the LORD one thing,
and one thing will we seek after:
that we may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of our lives,
to gaze upon His beauty and inquire in His temple.**

O LORD, You have heard our cries and answered us in Your grace.
You have sought us, brought us to Yourself,
bound us up, and strengthened us.

**In Christ Jesus, You have made us Your own,
and so we press on toward the goal
for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.**

INVOCATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

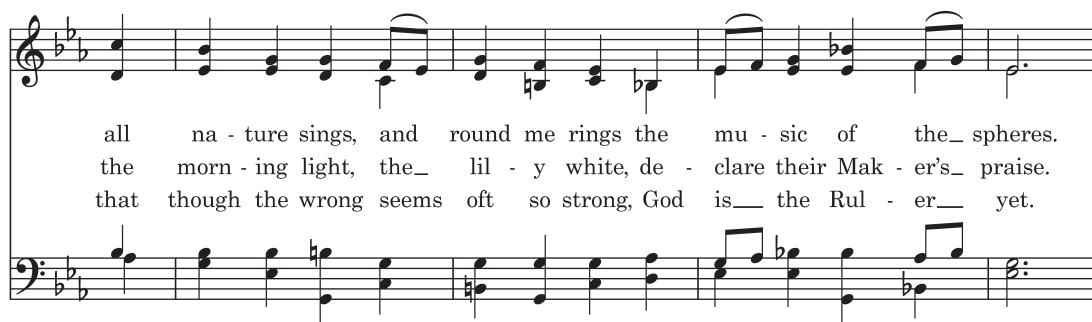
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name.
Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we
also forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.**

"This Is My Father's World"

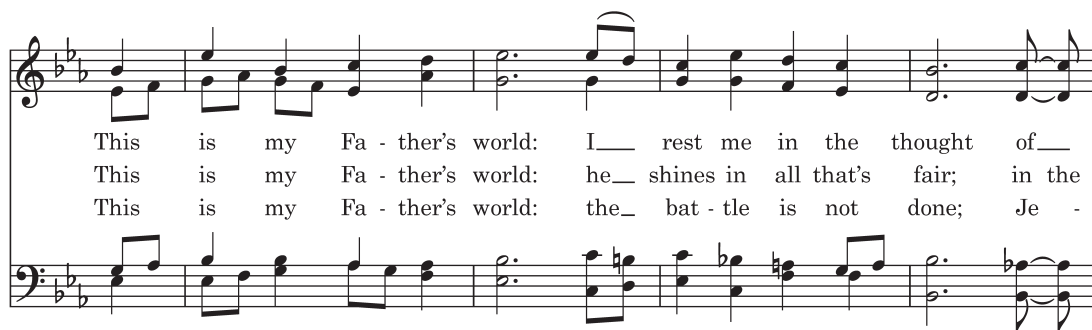
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text: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1901



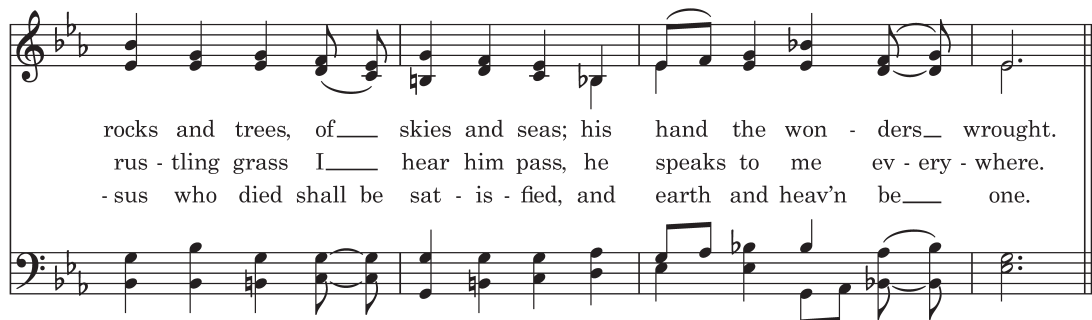
1. This is my Fa - ther's world, and_ to my lis - t'ning ears,
2. This is my Fa - ther's world, the_ birds their car - ols raise,
3. This is my Fa - ther's world, O_ let me ne'er for - get



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.

"Only a Holy God"

Michael Farren, Jonny Robinson,
Dustin Smith & Rich Thompson, 2018
arr. Ben Weldy



1. Who else com - mands all the hosts of heav - en?
2. What oth - er beau - ty de - mands such prais - es?
3. What oth - er glo - ry con - sumes like fire?—
4. Who else could res - cue me from my fail - ing?



Who else could make ev - 'ry king bow down? Who else can whis - per and
What oth - er splen - dor out - shines the sun? What oth - er maj - es - ty
What oth - er pow - er can raise the dead? What oth - er name re - mains
Who else would of - fer his on - ly Son? Who else in - vites me to



dark - ness trem - bles?	On - ly a Ho - ly God.
rules with jus - tice?	On - ly a Ho - ly God.
un - de - feat - ed?	On - ly a Ho - ly God.
call Him Fa - ther?	On - ly a Ho - ly God.

Refrain – Repeat final refrain



Come and be - hold Him, the One and the On - ly. Cry out, sing Ho - ly, for -



ev - er a Ho - ly God. Come and wor - ship the Ho - ly God.

Heavenly Father, we are the people of Your pasture
and the sheep of Your hand.

**And so we come asking for Your forgiveness, care, and guidance.
We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed—
both in what we have done,
and in what we have left undone.
We have gone astray and turned to our own way.
We are arrogant and self-centered.
We are slow to listen and quick to speak.
We assign ill motives to our brothers and sisters,
and we fail to pray for and love our enemies.
Bring healing to our community and to our souls,
in the name of Christ our King,
and by the power of Your Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

Silent confession

Brothers and sisters, surely Christ has borne your griefs and carried your sorrows. He was pierced for your transgressions and crushed for your iniquities. Upon Him was the chastisement that brought you peace.

**The LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.
By His wounds we are healed!
Praise His name, hallelujah!**

A reading from the Prophets: The LORD promises to shepherd His people in righteousness.

**CONFESSION
OF SIN & PLEA FOR
PARDON**

Psalm 95
Isaiah 53
James 1

**ASSURANCE OF
PARDON**

Isaiah 53

**OLD TESTAMENT
READING**

Ezekiel 34:7-16

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CHARGE TO THE
CONGREGATION**

**QUESTIONS FOR
INSTALLATION**
(BCO 21-5)

INSTALLATION OF ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Rev. Justin Smith

Rev. Alex Dean

1. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as originally given, to be the inerrant Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice?
2. Do you sincerely receive and adopt the Confession of Faith and the Catechisms of this Church, as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures; and do you further promise that if at any time you find yourself out of accord with any of the fundamentals of this system of doctrine, you will on your own initiative, make known to your Presbytery the change which has taken place in your views since the assumption of this ordination vow?
3. Do you approve of the form of government and discipline of the Presbyterian Church in America, in conformity with the general principles of Biblical polity?
4. Do you promise subjection to your brethren in the Lord?
5. Have you been induced, as far as you know your own heart, to seek the office of the holy ministry from love to God and a sincere desire to promote His glory in the Gospel of His Son?
6. Do you promise to be zealous and faithful in maintaining the truths of the Gospel and the purity and peace and unity of the Church, whatever persecution or opposition may arise unto you on that account?
7. Do you engage to be faithful and diligent in the exercise of all your duties as a Christian and a minister of the Gospel, whether personal or relational, private or public; and to endeavor by the grace of God to adorn the profession of the Gospel in your manner of life, and to walk with exemplary piety before the flock of which God shall make you overseer?
8. Are you now willing to take the charge of this church, agreeable to your declaration when accepting their call? And do you, relying upon God for strength, promise to discharge to it the duties of a pastor?

Rev. Alex Dean

**QUESTIONS FOR
CONGREGATION**

(BCO 21-6)

1. Do you, the people of this congregation, continue to profess your readiness to receive Stephen Buerger, whom you have called to be your pastor?
2. Do you promise to receive the word of truth from his mouth with meekness and love, and to submit to him in the due exercise of discipline?
3. Do you promise to encourage him in his labors, and to assist his endeavors for your instruction and spiritual edification?
4. Do you engage to continue to him while he is your pastor that competent worldly maintenance which you have promised, and to furnish him with whatever you may see needful for the honor of religion and for his comfort among you?

Mr. Jim Pocta

**PRAYER &
RIGHT HAND OF
FELLOWSHIP**

Rev. Alex Dean

**PRONOUNCEMENT
OF OFFICE**

(BCO 21-7)

Rev. Jahaziel Cantú

**CHARGE TO
STEPHEN
BUERGER**

**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.**

**SHARING OF THE
PEACE OF CHRIST**

So, Church, may the peace of the Lord be with you.
And also with you.

**TITHES &
OFFERINGS**

*The musicians will play for a moment before singing
so that you can bring your tithes and offerings
and share the peace of Christ with those around you.*

DOXOLOGY

"Jesus Shall Reign"

Duke Street

**Blessings abound wherever He reigns;
The prisoner leaps to lose his chains;
The weary find eternal rest,
And all the sons of want are blessed.**

² Make room in your hearts for us. We have wronged no one, we have corrupted no one, we have taken advantage of no one. ³ I do not say this to condemn you, for I said before that you are in our hearts, to die together and to live together. ⁴ I am acting with great boldness toward you; I have great pride in you; I am filled with comfort. In all our affliction, I am overflowing with joy.

⁵ For even when we came into Macedonia, our bodies had no rest, but we were afflicted at every turn—fighting without and fear within. ⁶ But God, who comforts the downcast, comforted us by the coming of Titus, ⁷ and not only by his coming but also by the comfort with which he was comforted by you, as he told us of your longing, your mourning, your zeal for me, so that I rejoiced still more. ⁸ For even if I made you grieve with my letter, I do not regret it—though I did regret it, for I see that that letter grieved you, though only for a while. ⁹ As it is, I rejoice, not because you were grieved, but because you were grieved into repenting. For you felt a godly grief, so that you suffered no loss through us.

¹⁰ For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation without regret, whereas worldly grief produces death. ¹¹ For see what earnestness this godly grief has produced in you, but also what eagerness to clear yourselves, what indignation, what fear, what longing, what zeal, what punishment! At every point you have proved yourselves innocent in the matter. ¹² So although I wrote to you, it was not for the sake of the one who did the wrong, nor for the sake of the one who suffered the wrong, but in order that your earnestness for us might be revealed to you in the sight of God. ¹³ Therefore we are comforted.

And besides our own comfort, we rejoiced still more at the joy of Titus, because his spirit has been refreshed by you all. ¹⁴ For whatever boasts I made to him about you, I was not put to shame. But just as everything we said to you was true, so also our boasting before Titus has proved true.

¹⁵ And his affection for you is even greater, as he remembers the obedience of you all, how you received him with fear and trembling. ¹⁶ I rejoice, because I have complete confidence in you.

“Shepherding in the School of Jesus”

2 Corinthians 7.2-16

A shepherd’s love

A shepherd’s affliction

A shepherd’s friends

A shepherd’s task

A shepherd’s comfort

**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.*

Strengthen, Lord, for holy service the hands that take Your mysteries here; our bodies, by the Body nourished — quicken us with life divine.

With Your worshippers abide; may Your love direct our ways;

Hear the prayers we lift before You,
and accept our thankful praise, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Come to the Table...

THE APOSTLES' CREED

WORDS OF INSTITUTION & INVITATION TO THE TABLE

*Adapted from
Indian Communion
Liturgy, 1923*

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

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

Elders, Deacons, and members of our Women's Leadership Team will be on stage near the musicians to pray with and for you.

PRAYER FOR FAITH

If you are not a follower of Jesus, we invite you to reflect on the prayer at the bottom of page 15, 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.

DIRECTIONS

"Psalm 23 (The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want)"

CRIMOND
text: Scottish Psalter, 1650
alt. Ben Weldy



1. The Lord's my_ Shep - herd; I'll not want. He makes me
2. My soul He_ doth re - store a - gain; And me__ to
3. Yea, though I__ walk through death's dark vale, Yet will__ I
4. My ta - ble_ Thou hast_ fur - nish - ed In pres - ence
5. Good - ness and mer - cy__ all my life Shall sure - ly



down to lie_____ In pas - tures green; He
walk doth make_____ With - in__ the paths of
fear no ill;_____ For Thou__ art with me,
of my foes;_____ My head__ Thou dost with
fol - low me;_____ And in__ God's house for -



lead - eth me The qui - et wa - ters by.
right - eous - ness, E'en for__ His own name's sake.
and__ Thy rod And staff__ me com - fort still.
oil__ a - noint, And my__ cup o - ver - flows.
- ev - er - more My dwell - ing place shall be.

"Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor"

Matt Boswell & Matt Papa, 2014



1. Christ the sure and stead - y an - chor, in the fu - ry of the storm; when the
2. Christ the sure and stead - y an - chor, while the tem - pest rage - s on; when temp -
3. Christ the sure and stead - y an - chor, through the floods of un - be - lief; hope - less
4. Christ the sure and stead - y an - chor, as we face the wave of death; when these



winds of doubt blow through me, and my sails have all been torn. In the
 - ta - tion claims the bat - tle, and it seems the night has won. Deep - er
 some - how, O my soul now, lift your eyes to Cal - va - ry. This my
 trials give way to glo - ry, as we draw our fi - nal breath we will



suf - fering, in the sor - row, when my sink - ing hopes are few; I will hold fast to the
 still then goes the an - chor, though I just - ly stand ac - cused; I will hold fast to the
 bal - last of as - sur - ance, see His love for - ev - er proved. I will hold fast to the
 cross that great ho - ri - zon, clouds be - hind and life se - cure; And the calm will be the



an - chor, It shall nev - er be re - moved. dure. Christ the
 an - chor, It shall nev - er be re - moved.
 an - chor, It shall nev - er be re - moved.
 bet - ter for the storms that we en -



sure of our sal - va - tion, ev - er faith - ful, ev - er true. We will



hold fast to the an - chor, It shall nev - er be re - moved.

"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.

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.**

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

Come quickly, Lord Jesus! Amen.

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

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)

SCATTERING

*Kenyan Reformed
Prayer*

BENEDICTION

Hebrews 13

POSTLUDE

PRAYER FOR FAITH

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

UPCOMING

- **Vespers at the new building** - Vespers will begin at 6:30pm on December 3, 10, and 17. These will be on the 3rd floor. Cookies and hot chocolate afterwards. **No childcare will be provided for these services.**
- **Women's Christmas Party** - Join us on December 11 at Denise Walker's home for our annual gift exchange and time together. An evite has been sent. Please let Jan know if you did not receive.
- **Youth Christmas Party** - Join us Friday, December 12, from 5:00-8:00pm at the new building.
- **Children's Christmas Party** - Sunday, December 14 during the SOLD hour! All families and children are welcome to come. Watch for an invitation soon with more details. Parents, we will need volunteers so please reach out to Brittanie Brandenburg if you are able to help.
- **Christmas Eve Service** - We will gather at Dallas Children's Theater at 4:00pm for our annual service. Childcare will be provided for those 0-3 years of age. Stay tuned for a signup.

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