

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP



NEW ST PETER'S

FEBRUARY 15, 2026

*“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

“How Firm a Foundation”

FOUNDATION

**How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He has said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?**

CALL TO
WORSHIP
Psalm 73

Come make the LORD your refuge.
Draw near to Him.

Silence

LITURGY OF
THE WORD
1 Kings 19

Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying,
“May the gods do to me, and more also,
if I do not take your life by this time tomorrow.”

**Then Elijah was afraid.
So, he rose and ran for his life
and hid himself in a cave.**

And Elijah cried to the LORD,
“The people of God have forsaken Your covenant,
thrown down Your altars, and put Your prophets to the sword.
And only I am left, and they seek my life, to take it.”

**And the voice of the LORD came to Elijah, saying,
“Yet I have kept many for Myself in Israel.
Even now I am preserving a remnant of My people.
I will raise them up again.”**

INVOCATION

"Come Magnify the Lord with Me (Psalm 34)"

David Potter, 2016
text: Isaac Watts, 1719



1.Lord I will bless You all my ___ days, ___ Your praise will
2.To Him the wand'r - ers lift their _ eyes, ___ their fac - es
3.God's ang - els help the one that _ faints, ___ and guard the

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dwel u - pon my _ tongue. ___ My soul will glo - ry in Your _ grace, -
feel a heav'-nly _ shine. ___ A beam of mer - cy from the _ skies, -
ones that serve the _ Lord. ___ O - bey and love Him, all ye ___ saints, -

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— Let all re - joice to hear my _ song. ___ Come mag-ni-
— Will bless with light and joy di - vine. ___
— Taste of His grace, and trust His _ Word. ___

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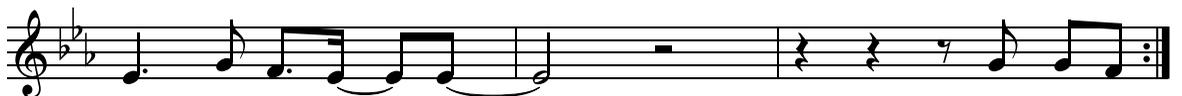
fy the Lord with _ me! ___ Come let us all ex - alt His _ name! .

12



— I sought the e - tern - al God and _ He ___ has freed my

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long - ing heart from _ blame! ___ (2.To Him the)
(3.God's ang - els)

"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"

Sajourner
text: Anonymous
arr.: Paul Zach, 2021



1. I want Je - sus	to_ walk with me.	I want Je - sus
2. In my tri - als,	Lord walk with me.	In my tri - als,
3. In my sor - rows,	Lord walk with me.	In my sor - rows,
4. I want Je - sus	to_ walk with me.	I want Je - sus



to_ walk with me.	All a - long_____my	pil - grim
Lord walk with me.	When the shades_____of	life are_____
Lord walk with me.	When my heart_____with	- in is_____
to_ walk with me.	All a - long_____my	pil - grim



jour - ney,___ Lord.	I want Je - sus	to_ walk with me.
fall - ing,___ Lord.	I want Je - sus	to_ walk with me.
ach - ing,___ Lord.	I want Je - sus	to_ walk with me.
jour - ney,___ Lord.	I want Je - sus	to_ walk with me.

Father of Mercy, You desire a relationship with us

**But still we confess we have stumbled.
We envy the proud when we see the wicked prosper.
We look on their ease, and question Your justice.
We look on their comfort and success,
and we let jealousy grow in our hearts.
We question if You really care,
doubt if You truly see,
and resent Your authority over all things.
We look out at the world,
and have felt that seeking a pure heart is useless.
Forgive our sins, and draw us near to you again.
Take our hands and lead us back to Your ways.**

Silent confession

Christian, draw near to the sanctuary of God, where our LORD is welcoming you in. For, in Christ you have been forgiven and can stand before the Most High! Even though your feet have stumbled and your steps have slipped, the LORD is continuously holding onto you.

**When our souls were embittered
When we were evil in heart
Still the LORD drew near to us. Amen!**

A reading from the Prophets: The LORD promises that the righteous will live and persevere by faith alone.

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

**CONFESSION
OF SIN & PLEA
FOR PARDON**
Psalm 73

**ASSURANCE OF
PARDON &
INTERCESSORY
PRAYER**
Psalm 73

**OLD TESTAMENT
READING**
Habakkuk 2.2-5

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LITANY OF
THANKSGIVING

Let us thank God whom we worship here in the beauty of holiness.

For the assurance of pardon from our sins through faith in Christ,
we thank You, Lord.

For the confidence to draw near to Your throne of grace
as daughters and sons,
we thank You, Lord.

For the beauty of the earth and the glories of the skies,
and for Your abundant provision in all things,
we thank You, Lord.

For giving us a home on Northwest Highway and for giving us the
opportunity to reach the neighborhoods around the new building,
we thank You, Lord.

For the peace we have in Christ, peace with God and with one another,
we thank You, Lord!

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

“How Firm a Foundation”

FOUNDATION

**“The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I’ll never, no never, no never forsake.”**

¹⁷ But you must remember, beloved, the predictions of the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁸ They said to you, “*In the last time there will be scoffers, following their own ungodly passions.*” ¹⁹ It is these who cause divisions, worldly people, devoid of the Spirit. ²⁰ But you, beloved, building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, ²¹ keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life. ²² And have mercy on those who doubt; ²³ save others by snatching them out of the fire; to others show mercy with fear, hating even the garment stained by the flesh.

²⁴ Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of His glory with great joy, ²⁵ to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

**“Doctrines of Grace: Perseverance of the Saints”
Jude 17-25**

Remembering & Contending

Waiting & Doubting

Being & Becoming

**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.*

On the road to Your Kingdom
Your people seek guidance in You;
You are our support, stay always with us!

**It is Your bread, Jesus, that gives us strength for the journey
and makes our steps more secure.
It is Your wine that quenches our thirst
and awakens in us the desire to follow You.**

When our strength weakens,
Your hand joyfully provides.
And so it is in the mystery of the faith that we proclaim,

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

Come to the Table...

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION & INVITATION TO THE TABLE

*Adapted from an
Italian Evangelical
Communion Hymn*

First Communion
(Sybil Opgenorth)

DIRECTIONS

“The Christian’s Hope Can Never Fail”

Benj Pocta, 2006
text: Gadsby Hymnal, 1838



1. We tra - vel through_____ a bar - ren land,
2. Huge sor - rows meet_____ us as we go,
3. Some - times we're tempt - - ed to de - spair,
4. We trust up - on_____ the sa - cred word—



With dan - gers thick on__ eve - - ry__ hand;__
And dev - ils aim to__ o - - ver - throw;__
But Je - sus makes us__ then__ his__ care;__
The oath and prom - ise__ of__ the__ Lord;__



But Je - sus guides_____ us through the vale;__
But vile in - fer - - nals can't pre - vail;__
Though nu - merous foes_____ our souls as - sail,__
And safe - ly through_____ each tem - pest sail;__

⌈ *Sing 3 times final verse*



O the Chris - tian's hope can nev - er fail.____
O the Chris - tian's hope shall nev - er fail.____
O the Chris - tian's hope can nev - er fail.____
O the Chris - tian's hope can nev - er fail.____



1. When the fields are dry, and the win - ter is long, bless - ed are the
 2. (On a) cross of wood, where His blood was out - poured, He rose from the
 3. (When the) earth be - neath me___ crum - bles and quakes, not a spar - row



meek, the_ hun - gry the poor; When my soul is down - cast, and my voice has no
 ground, like a bird to the sky; Bring - ing peace to our vio - lence, and crush - ing death's
 falls, nor a hair from my head; With - out His hand to guide me, my shield and my

Refrain



song, for mer - cy, for com - fort, I wait on the Lord.
 door, our Mak - er in - car - nate, our God who pro - vides. *In the har - vest*
 strength, in joy or in sor - row, in life or in death.



feast or the fal - low ground, my cer - tain hope is in Je - sus found; my lot, my cup, my



por - tion sure, what - ev - er comes, we shall en - dure, what - ev - er comes, we



shall_ en - dure. 2. On a *dure.* Oh come,



Em - man - u - - el; Come, oh come,



Em - man - u - - el. 3. When the

“O Love that Will Not Let Me Go”

Christopher Miner, 1997
text: George Matheson, 1882



1. O Love that will not let me go, I rest my wear - y
2. O Light that fol - low'st all my way, I yield my flick - 'ring
3. O Joy that seek - est me through pain, I can - not close my
4. O Cross that lift - est up my head, I dare not ask to



soul in thee; I give thee back the li - fe I owe, That
torch to thee; My heart re - stores its bor - rowed ray, That
heart to thee; I trace the rain - bow through the rain, And
fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glo - ry dead, And



in thine o - cean depths its flow May ri - cher; full - er be.
in thy sun - shine's blaze its day May brigh - ter; fair - er be.
feel the prom - ise is not vain, That morn shall tear - less be.
from the ground there bloss - oms red Life that shall end - less be.

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.**

May the Lord keep you from stumbling and present you before His glorious presence without fault and with great joy. To the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forevermore! Amen..

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

Jude 24-25

POSTLUDE

**PRAYER FOR
FAITH**

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



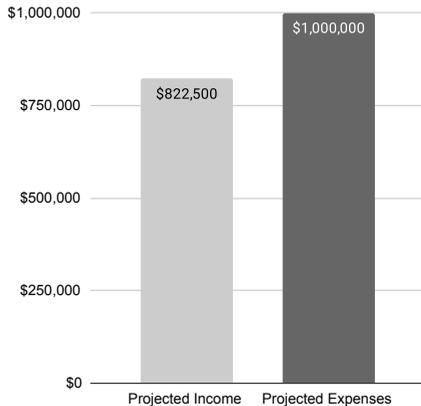
BUDGET UPDATE

“Normal growth, sacrificial giving” is our theme for this new season. To start with some good news: We have seen growth in attendance and in giving in recent months!

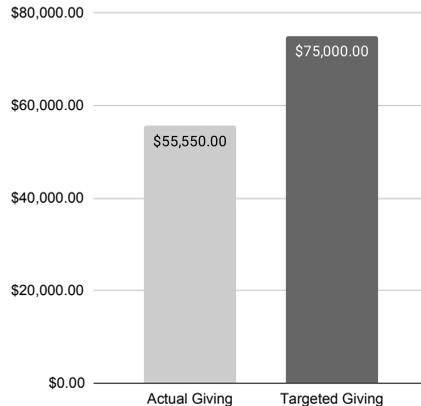
We are grateful for the Lord’s provision, and we are challenging ourselves to continue to sacrifice. With capital campaign giving, we are well on track to meet our debt covenants with our mortgage lender, but to meet our ambitious goal of being debt free in 3-5 years, we must also work to increase giving to the general fund.

As an aside, we are very grateful to have received generous year-end gifts to the alms fund, which is currently very healthy! We would humbly ask each of you to pray about our church’s current financial position and prayerfully evaluate what you are able to give as we move into this new season of property ownership.

PROJECTED DEFICIT AT FY-END (JUNE)



PREVIOUS MONTH GIVING (JANUARY)



The projected deficit and giving above does not include capital campaign giving or expenditures—it is merely representing our general budget

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

THIS WEEK

- **Youth** - We continue Wednesday night youth and Bible study this Wednesday, February 18. Remember, doors open at 5 for students that want to hang out, and Bible study runs from 6:30-8:00.
- **Women's Bible Study** - both morning and night classes have resumed. Please reach out to Denise Walker or Sheryl Brown if you need more information.
- **Men's Bible Studies** - *Wednesday evening Zoom study* – from 6:30-8:00pm on Zoom. If you would like to attend, please contact Peter Moore, pmoore@smu.edu.

Monday morning in-person study – We meet on Monday mornings from 7:00-8:00am to study 1 Peter. Please contact Peter Moore, pmoore@smu.edu, if you need more information.

UPCOMING

- **Women's Winter Social Event** - Please join us on the patio at Cedar and Vine in Lake Highlands on Tuesday, February 24, from 7:00 - 9:00pm. An evite has been sent. Please let Jan know in the church office if you did not receive.

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