

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP



NEW ST PETER'S

APRIL 26, 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

“Father, Long Before Creation”

Andrew Osenga

**Father, long before creation Thou hadst chosen us in love,
And that love so deep, so moving, draws us close to Christ above.
Still it keeps us, still it keeps us firmly fixed in Christ alone.**

CALL TO WORSHIP Exodus 15

Come and sing to the LORD
who has triumphed gloriously over our enemies—
to the God who has conquered sin and death!

Silence

LITURGY OF THE WORD Exodus 15

The LORD is my strength and my song,
and He has become my salvation.
This is my God, and I will praise Him;
yes, and I will exalt Him!

**Pharaoh’s chariots and his host He cast into the sea,
and his chosen officers were sunk in the Red Sea.
The floods covered them;
they went down into the depths like a stone.**

Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power,
Your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.
Who is like You, O LORD, among the gods?

**You have led in Your steadfast love
the people whom You have redeemed;
You have guided them by Your strength to Your holy abode.
You, Lord Christ, will reign forever and ever!**

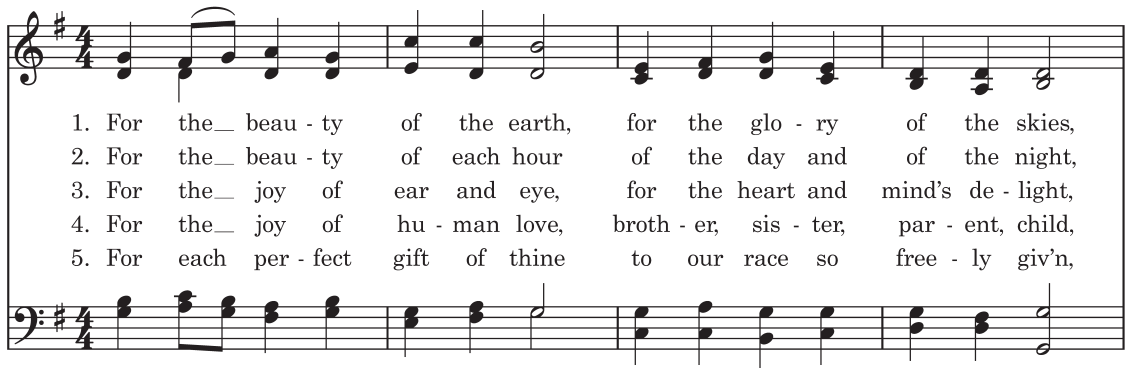
INVOCATION

THE LORD’S PRAYER

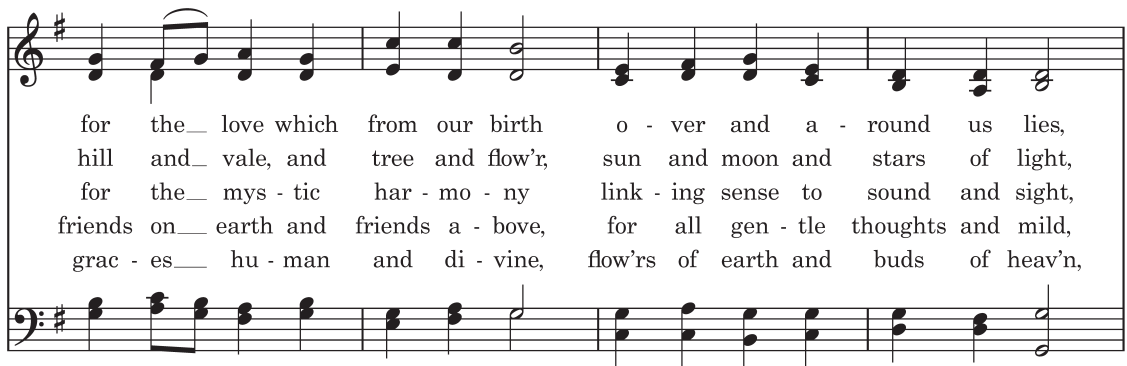
**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name.
Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we
also forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Yours is the kingdom and the power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

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

Dix
text: Folliott S. Pierpoint, 1864

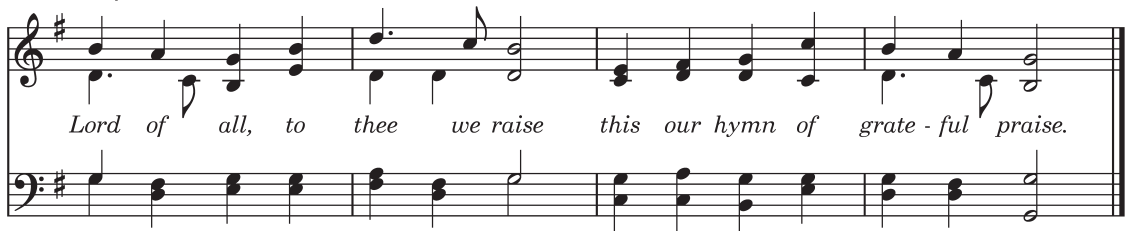


1. For the_ beau - ty of the earth, for the glo - ry of the skies,
2. For the_ beau - ty of each hour of the day and of the night,
3. For the_ joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
4. For the_ joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
5. For each per - fect gift of thine to our race so free - ly giv'n,



for the_ love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies,
hill and_ vale, and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light,
for the_ mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight,
friends on_ earth and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild,
grac - es__ hu - man and di - vine, flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n,

Refrain



Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.

"Psalm 124 (Our Help Is in the Name of the Lord)"

Brian Franklin, 2023



1. If it had not been the Lord who was on our side, then our
2. Bless - ed be the Lord who's not giv - en us as prey, to the



en - e - mies would have swal - lowed us up a - live. Then the
tor - rents 'round us, the wa - ters that o'er us rage. Like a



flood would have swept us a - way. So now let all of God's peo - ple say! —
bird burst - ing forth from its cage, the snare is bro - ken, we have es - caped!



— Our help is in the name of — the Lord, the name of — the Lord, who made



heav - en — and earth! Our help is in the name of — the Lord, the



name of — the Lord, who made all of the heav - ens and earth! earth!



Why do you doubt, my soul, you of lit - tle faith? "Take heart, it is I," Je - sus



says to — my soul, — "Do not be a - fraid!" — Our help is in the

D.S. al Fine

Holy God, our Creator and Redeemer, hear our pleas for mercy.

**In our sin, we operate out of fear of man,
rather than fearing You in awe and wondrous love.
In our iniquity, we seek the approval of others,
preferring the fleeting pleasures of sin
to the path of self-denial that is ours in Jesus.
We love riches more than Christ,
and become greedy.
We love stability more than Christ,
and become cowardly.
We love comfort more than Christ,
and become weak in our faith and witness.
Forgive us for these sins, O God.
Renovate our hearts and lead us to repentance,
that we would consider the reproach of Christ greater wealth
than all the treasures of this world.
Amen.**

Silent confession

Holy brothers and sisters, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession. He is faithful over God's house as a son. And you are His house if indeed you hold fast your confidence and your boasting in your hope. Through Him, your sins are forgiven and your debt is paid.

**We have come to share in our Lord Christ,
if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end.
For we have believed in Him,
and we strive to enter the rest that He freely offers us in the gospel.
Hallelujah, amen!**

A reading from Hebrews: By faith, a pilgrim identifies with the sufferings of Christ.

*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**
Hebrews 11

**ASSURANCE OF
PARDON**
Hebrews 3-4

**NEW TESTAMENT
READING**
Hebrews 11.1-3,
23-28

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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

"Father, Long Before Creation"

Andrew Osenga

**God's compassion is my story,
Is my boasting all the day;
Mercy free and never failing
Moves my will, directs my way,
God so loved us, God so loved us
That His only Son He gave.**

¹⁵ Then the king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, ¹⁶ *“When you serve as midwife to the Hebrew women and see them on the birthstool, if it is a son, you shall kill him, but if it is a daughter, she shall live.”* ¹⁷ But the midwives feared God and did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but let the male children live. ¹⁸ So the king of Egypt called the midwives and said to them, *“Why have you done this, and let the male children live?”* ¹⁹ The midwives said to Pharaoh, *“Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women, for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them.”* ²⁰ So God dealt well with the midwives. And the people multiplied and grew very strong. ²¹ And because the midwives feared God, He gave them families. ²² Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, *“Every son that is born to the Hebrews you shall cast into the Nile, but you shall let every daughter live.”*

² Now a man from the house of Levi went and took as his wife a Levite woman. ² The woman conceived and bore a son, and when she saw that he was a fine child, she hid him three months. ³ When she could hide him no longer, she took for him a basket made of bulrushes and daubed it with bitumen and pitch. She put the child in it and placed it among the reeds by the river bank. ⁴ And his sister stood at a distance to know what would be done to him. ⁵ Now the daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her young women walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her servant woman, and she took it. ⁶ When she opened it, she saw the child, and behold, the baby was crying. She took pity on him and said, *“This is one of the Hebrews’ children.”* ⁷ Then his sister said to Pharaoh’s daughter, *“Shall I go and call you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?”* ⁸ And Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, *“Go.”* So the girl went and called the child’s mother. ⁹ And Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, *“Take this child away and nurse him for me, and I will give you your wages.”* So the woman took the child and nursed him. ¹⁰ When the child grew older, she brought him to Pharaoh’s daughter, and he became her son. She named him Moses, *“Because,”* she said, *“I drew him out of the water.”*

“By Faith: Moses”
Exodus 1.15 - 2.10

Faith Fears the Right Thing

Faith Bets on the Future

Faith Celebrates in Advance

**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.*

Come, let us celebrate with praise and thanksgiving the sacrament of the new and eternal covenant, which calls to memory the Last Supper, and proclaims the death and victory of the Lord, and His living presence through the holy mysteries of His Body and Blood, in the midst of His own people, to whom the Lord Himself proclaims:

**“I am the living bread which comes down from heaven;
whoever eats this bread will live forever.”**

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever,
through whom we proclaim the hope of our faith:

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

THE APOSTLES'
CREED

WORDS OF
INSTITUTION &
INVITATION TO
THE TABLE
*Adapted from
a Brazilian
Community
Liturgy, 2015*

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*

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 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.

DIRECTIONS

"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.

"Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

Arise
text: Joseph Hart, 1759



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;*



D.C. Refrain

Je - sus read - y stands to save you, full of pit - y,__ love, and power.
true be - lief__ and true re - pent - ance, ev - ery grace that brings you nigh.
all the fit - ness he re - quir - eth is to feel__ your need of him.
if you tar - ry till you're bet - ter, you will nev - er__ come at all.
in the arms of my dear Sav - ior, O, there are__ ten__ thou - sand charms.

"It Is Finished"

Clint Wells & Brian T. Murphy, 2004
text: Thomas Kelly, 1769-1855



1. "It is fin - ished!" Sin - ners hear_ it; 'Tis the
2. Jus - tice, from her aw - ful sta - tion, bars the
3. "It is fin - ished!" All is o - ver; Yes, the
4. Crown the might - y Con - quer'r; crown Him, who His



dy - ing Vic - tor's cry;_ "It is fin - ished!" An - gels
sin - ner's peace no_ more;_ Jus - tice views with ap - pro -
cup of wrath is_ drain'd; Such the truth these words dis -
peo - ple's foes o'er - came!_ In the high - est heav - en



bear_ it, bear the joy - ful truth on_ high:_
- ba - tion what the Sav - ior did and bore;_
- cov - er; Thus the vic - t'ry was ob - tained;
throne Him! Men and an - gels sound His_ fame!_



"It is fin - ished!" Tell it through the earth and
Grace and mer - cy now dis - play their bound - less
'Tis a vic - t'ry none but Je - sus could have
Great His glo - ry! Je - sus bears the match - less



"It is fin - ished!" Tell it through the earth and sky!
Grace and mer - cy now dis - play their bound - less store.
'Tis a vic - t'ry none but Je - sus could have gain'd.
Great His glo - ry! Je - sus bears the match - less name.

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 favor of the LORD our God be upon you, and in Christ establish the work of your hands; yes, establish the work of your hands!

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
Psalm 90

POSTLUDE

**PRAYER FOR
FAITH**

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.

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.

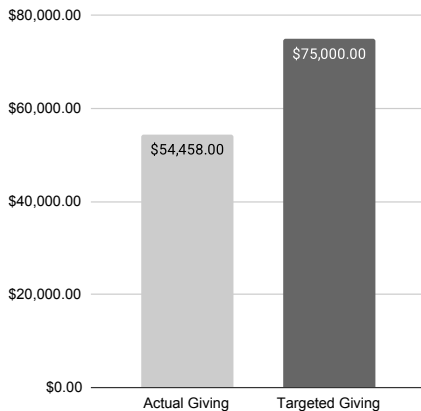
BUDGET UPDATE

“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!

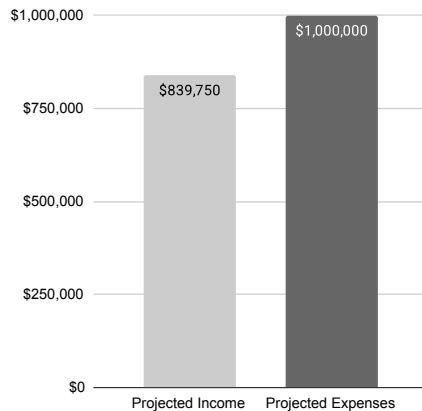
We are grateful for the Lord’s provision, and we are challenging ourselves to continue to sacrifice. With capital campaign giving, we are well on track to meet our debt covenants with our mortgage lender, but to meet our ambitious goal of being debt free in 3-5 years, we must also work to increase giving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

As an aside, we are very grateful to have recieved 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.

PREVIOUS MONTH GIVING (MARCH)



PROJECTED DEFICIT AT FY-END (JUNE)



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

- **Budget Update** - See page 15.
- **Youth** - Join us this Wednesday, April 29. Remember, doors open at 5 for students that want to hang out, and Bible study runs from 6:30-8:00.

UPCOMING

- **Spring Picnic/Easter Egg Hunt** - May 3, bring your Easter baskets and invite friends and neighbors to participate! We will have plenty of eggs and popsicles for everyone!
- **Women's Spring Fellowship** - Please join us at Melanie Rice's home for a fun Cinco de Mayo celebration. Details are in the Tuesday email; an Evite has been sent.
- **VBS Registration** - Now open for everyone attending.

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