# CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP



# NEW ST PETER'S

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*"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**

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" — Easter Hymn

**Christ, the Lord, is risen today, Alleluia!**
**Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!**
**Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!**
**Sing, ye heavens, and earth, reply, Alleluia!**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**
Psalm 96

Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness;
tremble before Him, all the earth!

*Silence*

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**
Psalms 96
Colossians 1

Sing to the LORD, bless His name;
tell of His salvation from day to day.

**Declare the glory of Christ among the nations,**
**His marvelous works among all the peoples!**

For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth,
visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions
or rulers or authorities—
all things were created through Him and for Him.

**And He is before all things,**
**and Him all things hold together.**
**And so we say among the nations, "The LORD reigns!"**

**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.**

"Psalm 104 (Oh, Rejoice in All Your Works)" *Wendell Kimbrough, 2014*



"O God beyond All Praising"

*Thaxted*
*text: Michael Perry, 1982*



**CONFESSION OF SIN & PLEA FOR PARDON**
Psalm 96
Matthew 5
Galatians 5

Holy God, You will judge the world in righteousness, and the peoples in Your faithfulness.

**And so we come before You seeking mercy for our many sins.**
**We give glory to the worthless idols of this world,**
**but You are the only God—great and greatly to be praised.**
**We prove our idolatry by our actions and attitudes:**
**You call us to love and unity,**
**but we grow weary and impatient towards each other.**
**You call us to kindness and gentleness,**
**but we are harsh, critical, and prone to grumbling.**
**You call us to sacrifice ourselves for our brothers and sisters,**
**but we are self-absorbed, stingy, and immature.**
**We hold onto our "rights,"**
**and harbor anger instead of granting forgiveness.**
**Forgive us for these affronts to Your holiness, oh God.**
**Show us Your mercy, that we may be people of mercy.**
**Amen.**

*Silent confession*

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**
Colossians 1

Beloved, the Father has delivered you from the domain of darkness and transferred you to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom you have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

**So let us continue in the faith, stable and steadfast,**
**not shifting from the hope of the gospel that we have heard!**
**Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**
Deut. 12.1, 8-14

A reading from Moses: The LORD guards our worship from impurity and infuses it with joy in His name.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**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**

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" Easter Hymn

**Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!**
**Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!**
**Once He died our souls to save, Alleluia!**
**Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!**

21 *"You have heard that it was said to those of old, 'You shall not murder;*
*and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.'* 22 *But I say to you that*
*everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever*
*insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, 'You*
*fool!' will be liable to the hell of fire.* 23 *So if you are offering your gift at the*
*altar and there remember that your brother has something against you,*
24 *leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your*
*brother, and then come and offer your gift.* 25 *Come to terms quickly with*
*your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand*
*you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison.*
26 *Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last*
*penny."*

“The Corrosive Power of Anger”

Matthew 5.21-26

**Killing our relationships**

**Killing our worship**

**Killing our society**

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
*Kenyan Communion Liturgy, 1989*

This is the feast of victory!
**The Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Hallelujah!**

Christ is alive forever.
**We are, because He is.**
We are one body.
**We share one bread.**
Draw near with faith.
**Christ is the host, and we are His guests.**

And so in His name, 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

- *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 13, 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.*

## “Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted”

*O mein Jesu, Ich muss sterben*
*text: Thomas Kelly, 1804*



1. Strick - en, smit - ten, and af - flict - ed, see him dy - ing on the tree!
2. Tell me, ye who hear him groan - ing, was there ev - er grief like his?
3. Ye who think of sin but light - ly nor sup - pose the e - vil great
4. Here we have a firm foun - da - tion, here the ref - uge of the lost;



’Tis the Christ by man re - ject - ed; yes, my soul, ’tis he, ’tis he!
Friends thro’ fear his cause dis - own - ing, foes in - sult - ing his dis - tress;
here may view its na - ture right - ly, here its guilt may es - ti - mate.
Christ’s the Rock of our sal - va - tion, his the name of which we boast.



’Tis the long - ex - pect - ed Proph - et, Da - vid’s son, yet Dav - id’s Lord;
man - y hands were raised to wound him, none would in - ter - pose to save;
Mark the sac - ri - fice ap - point - ed, see who bears the aw - ful load;
Lamb of God, for sin - ners wound - ed, sac - ri - fice to can - cel guilt!



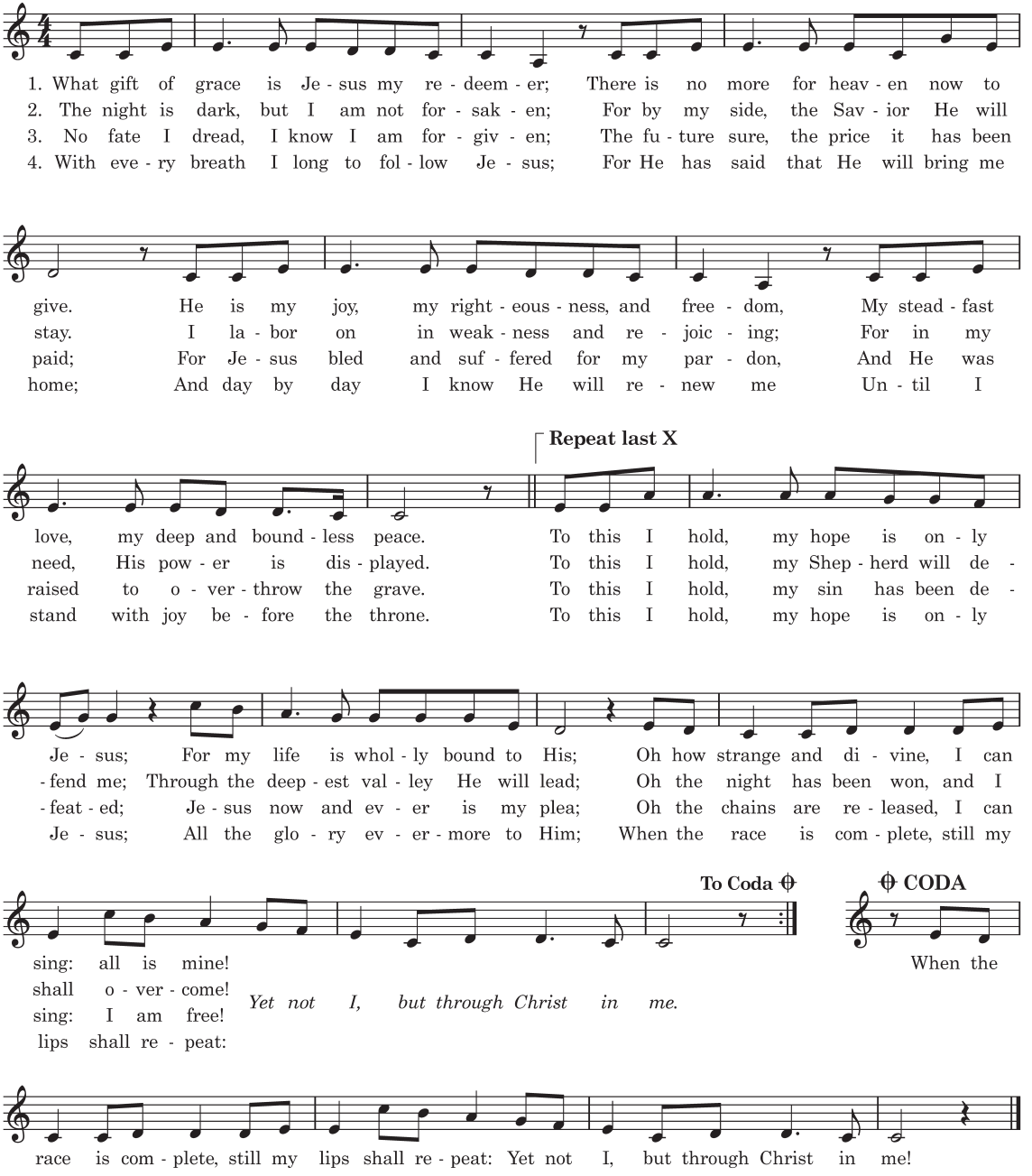
by his Son God now has spo - ken: ’tis the true and faith - ful Word.
but the deep - est stroke that pierced him was the stroke that Jus - tice gave.
’tis the Word, the Lord’s A - noint - ed, Son of Man and Son of God.
None shall ev - er be con - found - ed who on him their hope have built.

*Steve and Vikki Cook, 2000*



## "Yet Not I, But Through Christ In Me"

*Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, Michael Ferren, 2018*



**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**
Colossians 1

May you be strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

**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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# FAMILY WORSHIP & DISCUSSION PAGE

**READ**

Matthew 5.21-26, Deuteronomy 12.1, 8-14

**DISCUSS**

1. How have you seen anger corrode relationships in your life?

2. In Deuteronomy 12, what is the connection between joy and obedience in worship?

3. Do you or someone you know struggle with anger at the church? What are some healthy ways to engage these feelings?

4. Does Jesus' suffering of injustice help you to bear up against injustice in your own life? Why or why not?

5. If we cannot perfectly keep Jesus' command here, why does He give it?

**PRAY**

- Pray for the Lord to work joy and forgiveness in your heart where there is lingering anger.

- Pray for unity and against division caused by anger in the church.

- Pray for the faith and obedience to practice Jesus' teaching before your neighbors in every sphere.

- Pray for joyful perseverance for those who are suffering injustice and persecution, both in your life and around the world.

## GATHERED

**WEEKLY WORSHIP**

(Sundays, 10:15-11:30am)

The church is an outpost of heaven on earth, where 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 is our Christian education ministry for all ages.

**KIDS - WORSHIP TRAINING**

(Sundays, 10:15-11:30am)

Our goal is to prepare our children (0-Kinder) 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.

**NSP YOUTH**

(Sundays, 9-9:50am & Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00pm)

Our ministry to middle and high school students meets during the SOLD hour and on Wednesday evenings.

## SCATTERED

**HOME GROUPS**

Our Home Groups meet at different frequencies throughout the metro in regional "parishes"—enjoying fellowship and prayer in each other's homes.

**MEN'S & WOMEN'S MINISTRY**

There are various men's and women's ministries, including Bible 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 and also gets together for seasonal Bible studies and occasional celebrations.

Learn more at www.newstpeters.org

# ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

**THIS WEEK**

- ***Harvest Picnic -*** Come join us for our annual Harvest Picnic this afternoon! Join us at Flag Pole hill beginning at 4pm. Please bring your own seating and your own picnic dinner. Water will be provided. Games will be provided and a cornhole tournament will happen!
- ***Youth -*** Wednesday night fellowships continue this week, 6:30-8pm. Girls at Shannon Temple's home, boys at the Martin's home. Join "NSP Youth" group on Church Center to stay updated.
- ***College Care Packages -*** It's that time of year again! Our students look forward to receiving care packages from their church family. They will be mailed on November 9, so we have several weeks to bake cookies and write notes of encouragement. Details on how to help are in Tuesday's email. Notecards and a collection box will be provided in the DCT lobby starting this Sunday through November 8. For questions, please contact Stephanie Clemmons, Tricia Horne, Arleen Ratliff, Sharissa Murray, or Kelley Bruss.
- ***Building and Capital Campaign Update -*** Praise God for two major milestones: 1). We have now received $1,000,000 of income towards our Gathered Campaign! 2). Construction has begun at 10440 E Northwest Highway! The building will not be available until construction is finished, and our staff will be working remotely.

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