

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP



NEW ST PETER'S

OCTOBER 4, 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

"God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory"

Ode to Joy

**God, all nature sings Thy glory, and Thy works proclaim Thy might;
Ordered vastness in the heavens, ordered course of day and night;
Beauty in the changing seasons, beauty in the storming sea;
All the changing moods of nature praise the changeless Trinity.**

CALL TO WORSHIP Isaiah 11

The LORD has raised a signal for the nations, the root of Jesse.
Come to Him, whose resting place is glorious.

Silence

LITURGY OF THE WORD Isaiah 11 Matthew 5

The Spirit of the LORD rests upon Him,
the Spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the Spirit of counsel and might,
the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

**His light has shone in our hearts,
Giving glory to our Father who is in heaven!**

With righteousness He judges the poor,
and He decides with equity for the meek of the earth;

**Righteousness and faithfulness are the belt of His waist,
and His delight is in the fear of the LORD!**

INVOCATION

"Psalm 15 (To Dwell with God)"

Emily Moore
text: translation by Derek Moore, 2015



O _ LORD, who may draw near, and make his home in your tent? O _ who,

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who is a - ble to dwell on Your ho - ly hill?

1.He who is blame - less;

2.He will not bring _

3.He does not ask for

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he who does right; he who speaks truth in his heart.
shame to his friend; his eyes de - spise worth-less men.
more in re - turn when he gives some - one a loan.

He does not sland - er

He ex - alts those _

He takes no bribe a -

14



men with his tongue _ He does his neighb - or no harm. _____
who fear the LORD; he swears to his hurt; he won't change! _____
gainst hon - est men. Who - ev - er does this won't be moved! _____

“Psalm 119 (Blessed Are All Only in Jesus)”

Zac Hicks, 2019



1. Bless - ed are all whose path is blame - less, all those who walk in the
2. Bless - ed are all who do no e - vil, all those who walk in the
3. Make all my ways be ev - er faith - ful, stead - fast to keep eve - ry
4. Prais - ing in him, with heart made right - eous, learn - ing to step in your



law of God. Bless - ed are all who heed his stat - utes,
 way of peace. Your Word has thun - dered forth your pre - cepts
 word de - clared; Nev - er a - shamed, and ev - er grate - ful,
 per - fect paths. Spir - it, now keep me in your stat - utes,



all who pur - sue with a heart un - bound.
 that we might keep them in
 fix all my sight on your
 nev - er for - sak - ing, —

2. word and deed;
 3. work pre - pared;
 4. hold me fast;



That we might keep them in word and deed.
 Fix all my sight on your work pre - pared. On - ly in Je - sus,
 Nev - er for - sak - ing, — hold me fast.



way, truth, and life; On - ly in Je - sus: All of the law he has sat - is - fied.

O Lord, You have made us salt and light by the grace of Your gospel.

**And yet instead of moving into the world
to give flavor and preservation,
we cloister in our safe little cliques.
Instead of reflecting the light of Your glory,
we walk in darkness, loving the sins we can't leave behind.
Instead of loving Your law,
we relax Your commands by practicing "cheap-grace."
Rather than throwing ourselves at the mercy of Christ and His work,
we trust in our own works, and we act self-righteously.
Forgive us for losing our taste for Your kingdom,
and forgive us for loving darkness,
through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.
Amen.**

Silent confession

Christian, Jesus is the light of the world. You who follow Him have the light of life; your sins are forgiven.

**We believe in Him who is from above, and we are set free.
So may we abide in our Christ and in His word!
Amen.**

A reading from Moses: The LORD's messenger commends a righteousness that reflects the heart of God.

*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**
Matthew 5

**ASSURANCE OF
PARDON &
INTERCESSORY
PRAYER**
John 8

**OLD TESTAMENT
READING**
Deut. 10.12-22

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 the joy we shared with our sister churches at last week's hymn sing,
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

““God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory”

Ode to Joy

**God of glory, power, mercy, all creation praises Thee;
We Thy creatures, would adore Thee now and through eternity.
Saved to magnify Thy goodness, grant us strength to do Thy will;
With our acts as with our voices Thy commandments to fulfill.**

¹³ “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people’s feet.

¹⁴ You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden.

¹⁵ Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

¹⁷ Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. ¹⁸ For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹ Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰ For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

“Y’all Are”

Matthew 5.13-20

Y’all Are...

Y’all Are...

Y’all Are Not....

**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.*

**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...

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 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.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

WORDS OF INSTITUTION & INVITATION TO THE TABLE
Kenyan Communion Liturgy, 1989

DIRECTIONS

"Behold the Lamb (The Communion Hymn)"

Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty,
Stuart Townend, 2006



1. Be - hold the Lamb who bears our sins a - way, slain for us
2. The bod - y of our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ, torn for you
3. The blood that cleans - es eve - ry stain of sin, shed for you
4. And so with thank - ful - ness and faith we rise to re - spond



and we re - mem - ber the prom - ise made that all who
eat and re - mem - ber; The wounds that heal, the death that
drink and re - mem - ber He drained death's cup that all may
and to re - mem - ber our call to fol - low in the

Refrain



come in faith find for - give - ness at the cross.	<i>So we share in this</i>
brings us life paid the price to make us one.	<i>So we share in this</i>
en - ter in to re - ceive the life of God.	<i>So we share in this</i>
steps of Christ as His bod - y here on earth.	<i>As we share in His</i>



bread of life, and we drink of His sac - ri - fice as a sign of our
bread of life, and we drink of His sac - ri - fice as a sign of our
bread of life, and we drink of His sac - ri - fice as a sign of our
suf - fer - ing, we pro - claim Christ will come a - gain! And we'll join in the



bonds of peace	a - round the ta - ble of the King.
bonds of love	a - round the ta - ble of the King.
bonds of grace	a - round the ta - ble of the King.
feast of heaven	a - round the ta - ble of the King.

“He Will Hold Me Fast”

Matt Merker
text: v. 1-2 Ada Habershon, 1906
vs. 3 Matt Merker, 2013



1. When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
2. Those He saves are His de - light, Christ will hold me fast;
3. For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;



When the tempt - er would pre - vail, He will hold me fast.
Pre - cious in His ho - ly sight, He will hold me fast.
Just - ice has been sat - is - fied; He will hold me fast.



I could nev - er keep my hold Through life's fear - ful path;
He'll not let my soul be lost; His prom - is - es shall last;
Raised with Him to end - less life, He will hold me fast.



For my love is oft - en cold; He must hold me fast.
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.
'Till our faith is turned to sight, When He comes at last!

Refrain



He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast; For my Sav - ior loves me



so, He will hold me fast.

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

Solid Rock
text: Edward Mote, 1834

1. My hope is built on noth - ing less than Je - sus' blood and
2. When dark - ness veils his love - ly face, I rest on his un -
3. His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sup - port me in the
4. When he shall come with trum - pet sound, O may I then in

righ - teous - ness; I dare not trust the sweet - est frame, but
- chang - ing grace; in ev - ery high and storm - y gale, my
whelm - ing flood; when all a - round my soul gives way, he
him be found; dressed in his righ - teous - ness a - lone, fault -

Refrain

whol - ly lean on Je - sus' name.
an - chor holds with - in the veil. *On Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all*
then is all my hope and stay.
- less to stand be - fore the throne.

oth - er ground is sink - ing sand, all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

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 you be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, holding fast to the word of life.

Come quickly, Lord Jesus! Amen.

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

SCATTERING

*Kenyan Reformed
Prayer*

BENEDICTION

Philippians 2

POSTLUDE

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)

FAMILY WORSHIP & DISCUSSION PAGE

READ

Matthew 5.13-20, Deuteronomy 10.12-22

DISCUSS

1. Why is it important to be clear about our shared mission as a church?
2. According to Deuteronomy 10, what does “justice” look like?
3. What are some ways your family or home group can be “salt” in your neighborhood?
4. How do we obtain the righteousness that Jesus requires in Matthew 5? Why is the “how” important?

PRAY

- Pray for our gathered worship to shine light on the beauty of Christ.
- Pray for boldness to be “salt” in your scattered vocations.
- Pray and thank the Lord for the righteousness that comes through faith.
- Pray for our leadership as we prepare to move into the new building as ‘salt and light’.

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.

Lear more at www.newstpeters.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

THIS WEEK

- **Youth Parent Meeting** - The youth planning committee and Session would like to invite all parents of youth to a meeting at 4pm this afternoon at the new building (10440 E. Northwest Hwy, on the 3rd floor). We would like to hear from you about casting vision for the future of NSP youth. For more details, see church center communications.
- **Youth** - Wednesday night fellowships continue.
- **Dinner with the Smiths** - Scan the QR code for details and to RSVP for an evening of dinner and fellowship with Luke and Sokha's family on Thursday, October 8.
- **Children Park Meet-up** - We will be meeting in the afternoons now that the weather is finally cooling off a bit. We will meet at McCree Park (9016 Plano Rd, Dallas, 75238) on Wednesday, October 7 from 3:30-5:00. Water and snacks will be provided. We hope to see you there!



UPCOMING

- **Women's Fall Fellowship** - Please join us Thursday, October 22 at Cindy Klein's home for a fun evening of snacks, fellowship, and Bunco! We will gather at 7pm. Please RSVP via the evite (contact Jan if you didn't receive the evite and would like to attend).
- **Harvest Picnic** - save the date: October 25 - Flag Pole Hill.

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