

*Seek the Lost · Build up the Found · Transform the City
Through Jesus Christ*
OCTOBER 22, 2017

Thy Strong Word

1 Thy strong word did cleave the darkness;
At Thy speaking it was done.
For created light we thank Thee
While Thine ordered seasons run.

*Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise to Thee who light dost send!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia without end!*

2 Lo, on those who dwelt in darkness,
Dark as night and deep as death,
Broke the light of Thy salvation,
Breathed Thine own life-giving breath.

3 Give us lips to sing thy glory,
Tongues Thy mercy to proclaim,
Throats to shout the hope that fills us,
Mouths to speak Thy holy name.

*Alleluia! Alleluia!
May the light which Thou dost send
Fill our songs with alleluias,
Alleluias without end!*

4 God the Father, light-creator,
To Thee laud and honor be.
To Thee, Light from Light begotten,
Praise be sung eternally.

*Holy Spirit, light-revealer,
Glory, glory be to Thee.
Mortals, angels, now and ever
Praise the holy Trinity!*

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Tune: Traditional American Melody

THE ACCLAMATION & PRAYER FOR PURITY

Leader: *Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

All: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

All Creatures of Our God and King/Psalm 148

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights!

Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts!

Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars!

Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

Let them praise the name of the Lord!

For he commanded and they were created.

And he established them forever and ever; he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.

1 All creatures of our God and King

Lift up your voice and with us sing

Alleluia alleluia

Thou burning sun with golden beam

Thou silver moon with softer gleam

O praise Him, O praise Him

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

2 Thou rushing wind that art so strong

Ye clouds that sail in heaven along

O praise Him alleluia

Thou rising morn in praise rejoice

Ye lights of evening find a voice

3 And all ye men of tender heart

Forgiving others take your part

O sing ye alleluia

Ye who long pain and sorrow bear

Praise God and on Him cast your care

Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth! Young men and maidens together, old men and children! Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his majesty is above earth and heaven. He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his saints, for the people of Israel who are near to him. Praise the Lord!

Alleluia alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

4 Let all things their Creator bless
And worship Him in humbleness
O praise Him alleluia
Praise praise the Father praise the Son
And praise the Spirit Three in One

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Revelation Song

1 Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain
Holy holy is He
Sing a new song to Him who sits on
Heaven's mercy seat

*Holy holy holy is the Lord God Almighty
Who was and is and is to come
With all creation I sing
Praise to the King of kings
You are my ev'rything and I will adore You*

2 Clothed in rainbows of living color
Flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder
Blessing and honor, Strength and glory
And power be to You
The only wise King

3 Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder
At the mention of Your name
Jesus Your name is power
Breath and living water
Such a marv'lous mystery

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CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL

People: **May the Lord be with you.**

Children: *And also with you.*

People: **May the Word of the Lord grow in your hearts.**

Children: *Thanks be to God!*

People: **Go in the peace of the Lord.**

At this time, children 4k-2nd grade are invited to go to Kids Time. Kids Time is a dynamic worship service that caters to younger children and prepares them to participate in the main worship service. The children will return prior to Communion.

GOSPEL READING

Leader: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to You, Lord Christ.

Luke 8:22-25 (p. 840)

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, Lord Christ.

MESSAGE

Sermon Series: The Gospel According to Luke

In The Time of Testing

Rev. Patrick Dominguez

THE APOSTLES CREED (said together)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church*, the Communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

** The phrase "holy catholic Church" in the Creed means the Church worldwide.*

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Leader: Gracious Father, hear the prayers of your people as we humbly seek you:

Leader: For Church of the Apostles and our daughter church Redeemer Anglican, our Archbishop Foley, our Bishop Steve and for all ministers charged with shepherding your people and guarding the truth;

People: Strengthen your Church in persecution, and empower all who minister to admonish and teach with all wisdom, presenting everyone fully mature in Christ.

Leader: We pray for those charged with leadership in our world, especially our president, our governor, and all those in positions of authority;

People: Guide them to wise decisions and right actions, that they may do justice, love mercy, and walk in the ways of your truth.

Leader: For the Women's Prison Ministry of our church;

People: That each woman would be set free with the good news of her identity as a forgiven, treasured daughter of Jesus.

Leader: Father, you are patient with all people, not wanting anyone to perish;

People: Reveal your goodness to those who do not know you, and in your kindness, lead them to repentance.

Leader: Now, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, let us present our requests to God, either silently or aloud.

Leader: Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication unto you, and have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in your name, you will be in the midst of us:

People: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the world to come, life everlasting.
Amen.

Leader: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

CONFESSON OF SIN (said together)

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

—The absolution of sin is to be pronounced by a priest who symbolically stands in the authority of God to forgive the sins of those who truly repent (Matt 16:19, John 20:23).

Leader: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you;

People: And also with you.

WELCOME & OFFERING

Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face

1 Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face;
Here would we touch and handle things unseen;
Here grasp with firmer hand eternal grace
And all my weariness upon Thee lean.

2 Here would I feed upon the bread of God,
Here drink with Thee the royal wine of heav'n;
Here would we lay aside each earthly load,
Here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiv'n.

3 This is the hour of banquet and of song;
This is the heav'nly table spread for me;
Here let me feast, and feasting, still prolong
The brief, bright hour of fellowship with Thee.

4 Too soon we rise, the symbols disappear;
The feast, though not the love, is past and done;
Gone are the bread and wine, but Thou art here,
Nearer than ever, still my Shield and Sun.

5 Feast after feast thus comes, and passes by;
Yet passing, points to the glad feast above;
Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy,
The Lamb's great bridal feast of bliss and love.

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HOLY COMMUNION

(All baptized and believing followers of our Lord Jesus Christ are invited to partake in Holy Communion regardless of denomination. It is our custom to use wine during communion. If you prefer, you may receive grape juice from the smaller chalices on the end of the serving lines. If it would not be authentic for you to receive Communion, you may remain in your seat and contemplate the prayers on the following page.)

Leader: *Is the Father with us?*

People: **He is.**

Leader: *Is Christ among us?*

People: **He is.**

Leader: *Is the Spirit here?*

People: **He is.**

Leader: *This is our God.*

People: **Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

Leader: *We are His people.*

People: **We are redeemed.**

Leader: *Lift up your hearts.*

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Leader continues in Eucharistic Prayer.

Leader: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

LORD'S PRAYER (said together)

Our Father who art in Heaven

Hallowed be Thy name

Thy kingdom come

Thy will be done

On earth as it is in heaven

Give us this day our daily bread

And forgive us our trespasses

As we forgive those

Who trespass against us

And lead us not into temptation

But deliver us from evil

For thine is the Kingdom

And the power and the glory

Forever and ever Amen

Unable to come forward? Please inform an usher to request that Communion be brought to you.
Gluten-free wafers available upon request.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT TAKING HOLY COMMUNION

The Church of The Apostles welcomes all Christians who are willing to forsake their sin and trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, to receive Holy Communion with us by coming forward to one of the communion stations at the front. If you are not able to receive Communion, please use this time to meditate on one of the following prayers.

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth.

Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing and that leads to the life you promise.

Prayer of Belief.

Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Please come into my life through the power of your Holy Spirit.

A prayer team is available to pray with you at the back of the worship area.

Eat This Bread

Leader:

*Eat this bread; drink this cup;
Come to me and never be hungry
Eat this bread; drink this cup;
Trust in me and you will not thirst*

Together:

**Eat this bread; drink this cup;
Come to Christ and never be hungry
Eat this bread; drink this cup;
Trust in Him and you will not thirst**

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Broken Vessel

1 All these pieces
Broken and scattered
In mercy gathered
Mended and whole
Empty handed
But not forsaken
I've been set free
I've been set free

Amazing grace
How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
Oh I once was lost
But now I am found
Was blind but now I see

*I can see You now
I can see the love in Your eyes
Laying Yourself down
Raising up the broken to life*

2 You take our failure
You take our weakness
You set Your treasure
In jars of clay
So take this heart Lord
I'll be Your vessel
The world to see Your life in me

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You Alone Can Rescue

1 Who, Oh Lord, could save themselves,
Their own soul could heal?
Our shame was deeper than the sea
Your love is deeper still.

*You alone can rescue
You alone can save
You alone can lift us from the grave
You came down to find us led us out of death
To You alone belongs the highest praise*

2 You O Lord have made a way
The great divide You healed
For when our hearts were far away
Your love went further still
Yes Your love goes further still

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (said together)

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

OPPORTUNITIES

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you, and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face towards you and give you peace; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

There is a Redeemer

1 There is a Redeemer Jesus God's own Son
Precious Lamb of God Messiah Holy One

2 Jesus my Redeemer name above all names
Precious Lamb of God Messiah
O for sinners slain

*Thank You O my Father
For giving us Your Son
And leaving Your Spirit
Till the work on earth is done*

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DISMISSAL

Leader: *Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord.*

People: **Thanks be to God.**

W E L C O M E!

We are glad you are worshiping with us this morning. We want to get to know you! Yellow connection cards can be found under the seats in the sanctuary. Please fill one out and drop it in the offering basket.

Connect



We want to keep you connected to the life of Apostles! To be added to *The Pulse* contacts, fill out a yellow connection card and drop in the offering basket.

You will receive our weekly e-newsletter and other important church-wide announcements.



Our online communication tool connects you to ministries and members of the Apostles community. For more info contact Marsha Whyte: marsha@apostles-raleigh.org

Mission Trips

Ukraine Mission Trip ~ Summer 2018, Apostles will send a mission team to Ukraine to work with local partners running English language camps for college students. Tentative dates are June 27-July 8, and the trip is open to anyone age 17 and up. Participants should be prepared to lead Bible studies, practice conversational English, and share their faith. **There will be an interest meeting on Sunday, October 22 at 12:30 in Room 208 or contact Julie Tisdale {jmgtdale@gmail.com}**

Guatemala Mission Trip ~ Apostles will return to Guatemala City: June 16-23, 2018 working with Potter's House Association {pottershouse.org.gt}. This trip is primarily about learning and formation. We will complete several work projects paid for by our trip expenses as well as have opportunities to interact with children and families in the PHA programs. **There will be an interest meeting on Sunday, October 29 at 12:30 in the Youth Room or contact Kimberly Curlin {kimberlycurlin@yahoo.com}**

Community

Interested in connecting deeper into the community here at Apostles? Consider joining a Community Group! Various community groups meet throughout the week. Contact Lee for more information.

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The Deal + Small Groups

(6th - 12th grades)

happen Sundays from 6-8pm during the school year. Contact Emily for more information.

Emily Gebbie
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Seek Prayer

The Apostles Prayer Ministry is a safe place to seek prayer for a variety of concerns.

You will find trained prayer teams and a prayer room at the back of the sanctuary.

Serve

There are several ways to connect and serve in the life of Apostles. Take a look at our Ministry Teams and find out how you can get involved. If there is an area or gifting that you have that you do not see listed, we want to know about it!

apostles-raleigh.org/church

What's Happening at Apostles

Marvin Olasky Presentation ~ Marvin Olasky, editor-in-chief of WORLD and the author of 20 books, will speak at COTA on October 23 at 7:30pm. The speech, on speaking Christianity in a skeptical and cynical culture, is free and open to the public. Olasky's books include The Tragedy of American Compassion and Compassionate Conservatism. He is Dean of the World Journalism Institute and holder of the Distinguished Chair in Journalism and Public Policy at Patrick Henry College.

This Week

Sunday, October 22

- Worship Services: 8:30am & 11am
- Sunday School: 10am
- Ukraine Interest Meeting: 12:30pm
- *NO DEAL*

Monday, October 23

- Muffins 'n More: 10-11:30am
- Community HOPE: 4:30-6:30pm
- Women in the Word (W): 7-8:45pm
- Marvin Olasky Presentation: 7:30pm

Tuesday, October 24

- Tuesday Prayer & Praise: 1:30-2:30pm
- Community HOPE: 4:30-6:30pm

Wednesday, October 25

- Band of Brothers (M): 7-8am (offsite)
- Sleepyheads (M): 7:15-8:15am
- Growing in Grace (W): 9:30-11am
- Community HOPE: 4:30-6:30pm

Thursday, October 26

- Blackwater Group (M): 7-8am (offsite)
- Men's Fraternity (M): 6:45-8am
- Community HOPE: 4:30-6:30pm

(M) ~ Men (W) ~ Women

Coming Soon

NOVEMBER

9 ~ Fernando Ortega in Concert | 7:30pm
Tickets available online! apostles-raleigh.org
11 ~ Discovering Apostles Membership Class: 9am-12pm

DECEMBER

3 ~ Advent Wreath Making
10 ~ Lessons & Carols Presentation

Student Ministry

Please be in prayer for our students and leaders as they finish up their weekend at Fall Retreat today!

10/22 ~ NO DEAL {Fall Retreat}
10/29 ~ NINE1NINE: Scavenger Hunt!

The NINE1NINE {based on 1 Corinthians 9:19 and our area code} is an outreach event once a month – on non-Deal nights – designed for students to invite their friends outside of Apostles and possibly outside of a church home of their own. *Though I am free and belong to no one, I have made myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible. ~ 1 Corinthians 9:19*

Children's Ministry

Lessons for October 22

- **Nursery:** Elisha's New Room {2 Kings 4:8-10}
- **Kids Time:** God Keeps All His Promises {Gen 18:1-16}

Fernando Ortega in concert

Thursday, November 9

7:30 pm

Apostles welcomes three time Dove Award winner Fernando Ortega, featuring Jonathan and Amanda Noël.

For tickets and more information:
apostles-raleigh.org/fernando

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