

JANUARY 26, 2020

We're glad you're here! This kind of worship service may be new for you. Everything that the congregation says is in **bold** in these pages. Feel free to join in, or just listen. If you have kids, they are welcome to stay through the entire service, or you can bring your infants to the nursery. We also offer children's worship for elementary ages. They'll be sent out after the singing, and will return before Communion.

Almighty God

Almighty God to You all hearts are open
Search and know our thoughts and anxious fears
Wash us in the fountain of Your mercy
Come with Your light we cannot hide from You

Almighty God to You all hearts are open
With gratitude we raise our song to You
Come and fill the praises of Your people
In grace and truth You make us new again

Hallelujah
Hallelujah
Hallelujah

Almighty God to You all hearts are open
We long for more than what this world provides
No shallow spring will ever satisfy us
But Your river deep floods over everything

Almighty God to You all hearts are open
You take away our sickness and our sin
Oh Lamb of God we gather at Your table
In bread and wine You have supplied our needs

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ACCLAMATION & OPENING PRAYER

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

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.

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.

Be Still My Soul

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
leave to your God to order and provide;
in every change God faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul: your best, your heavenly friend
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul: your God will undertake
to guide the future, as in ages past.
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;
all now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
the Christ who ruled them while he dwelt below.

Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on
when we shall be forever with the Lord,
when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
Be still, my soul when change and tears are past,
all safe and bless-ed we shall meet at last.

Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
the Christ who ruled them while he dwelt below.

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Build My Life

Worthy of ev'ry song
we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise
we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath
we could ever breathe
We live for You

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one who could ever save
Worthy of ev'ry breath
we could ever breathe
We live for You
We live for You

*Holy there is no one like You
There is none besides You
Open up my eyes in wonder
And show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love
to those around me*

I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken

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SENDING OF THE CHILDREN

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.

SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 4:1-13

(p. 969)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*One of the characteristics of our worship is the abundance of **Scripture**. We encounter God through his inspired, authoritative Word.*

GOSPEL READING

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

People: Glory to You, Lord Christ.

Matthew 4:12-22

(p. 785)

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, Lord Christ.

*During the **Gospel** reading, we stand to honor Christ because the Gospels represent Christ's presence in the Church through his Word.*

MESSAGE

Hebrews: A Call To Commitment

The Rest Giver

Terri Shell

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 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" means the Church worldwide.}*

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Leader: Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People: That we all may be one.

Leader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People: That your Name may be glorified by all people.

Leader: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

People: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

Leader: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Leader: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People: That our works may find favor in your sight.

Leader: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People: That they may be delivered from their distress.

Leader: Give to the departed eternal rest.

People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.

Leader: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom. Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The People may add their own petitions.

Leader: Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son:

Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

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.

*Many people kneel during the **Confession of Sin** as a sign of humility and repentance before God. Confession and repentance are the means God gives us for receiving the forgiveness made possible through Jesus Christ.*

*Leader: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.***

*During the **Absolution** the priest declares God's forgiveness as promised in the Bible for all who confess and turn away from their sins. (1 John 1:9)*

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you;
People: And also with you.

*The **Peace** reminds us that we must reconcile with one another before we receive Holy Communion (Matthew 5:23). "Peace be with you" or "God's peace" are some of the phrases used as we greet one another.*

WELCOME & OFFERING

Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace

*To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to His
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me*

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side, the Saviour He will stay
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need, His power is displayed

*To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley He will lead
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me*

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven
The future sure, the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And He was raised to overthrow the grave

*To this I hold, my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released, I can sing:
I am free!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me*

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For He has said that He will bring me home
And day by day I know He will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne

*To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to Him
When the race is complete,
still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I, but through Christ in me!*

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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: The Lord is here.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

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

People: His Spirit is with us.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

People: It is right to give thanks and praise.

Leader continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

Leader: Great is the mystery of faith:

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

Leader: Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:

People: Blessing and honor and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

THE 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

*The **stole** worn by the priest symbolizes Jesus taking up the towel for service.*

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

PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT TAKING HOLY COMMUNION

We welcome 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.

Give Me Jesus

In the morning, when I rise
In the morning, when I rise
In the morning, when I rise, give me Jesus

*Give me Jesus
Give me Jesus
You can have all this world
But give me Jesus*

And when I am alone
Oh, and when I am alone
And when I am alone, give me Jesus

And when I come to die
Oh, and when I come to die
And when I come to die, give me Jesus

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In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

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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.

BENEDICTION

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

Praise to the Lord, The Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, Now to His temple draw near;
Praise Him in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under His wings yea so greatly sustaineth
Hast thou not seen How thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what He ordaineth

Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen sound from His people again;
Gladly for all we adore Him.

Words: Joachim Neander, Music: "Lobe den Herren," Ander Theil des Erneuerten Gesangbuch

DISMISSAL

Leader: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

WELCOME!

We are glad you are worshiping with us this morning. We want to get to know you! Connect Cards can be found under the seats in the sanctuary. Turn in completed cards in the lobby for a free gift as a thank you for joining us.

Connect



We want to keep you connected to the life of Apostles! To be added to *The Pulse* contacts, fill out a connect 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:

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Community

Interested in connecting deeper into the community here at Apostles? Consider joining a Community Group! Contact Eric for more information.

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The Deal + Small Groups

6th - 12th Grades

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

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The Vine

Young-ish Adult Fellowship
Contact Jessie Nordstrom for more information.

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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

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.

apostles.raleigh.org/prayerministry

Outreach

A great way to get involved is by connecting with one of our local Mission Partners:

Beyond Imagination
Camp Oak Hill
Community HOPE of the Y
Gateway Women's Care
Gideon International
Hope Reins
House of Hope
International Friends NCSU
Jobs for Life
JusticeMatters
Neighbor To Neighbor
NeighborHealth Center
YoungLife {Raleigh}
Refugee Hope Partners
SafeFamilies of Raleigh
The Encouraging Place

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What's Happening at Apostles

Courage and Love In a World Divided | January 30 | 7pm ~ Division is nothing new and yet many of us feel ill-equipped to bridge the numerous divides in our current culture. Join us for an evening of discussion as we hear from two authors, Amy Julia Becker and Natasha Sistrunk Robinson, who have spent a lot of time on this topic, and reflecting on what Jesus means when he calls us to "love our neighbors" -- regardless of our own social, ethnic, religious, or cultural background. This event is for men and women and students ... all are welcome!

Prayer + Praise | February 5 | Dinner 6pm | Worship 7pm ~ Come. Pause. Catch up with folks. Lift your gaze to the One who holds it all together and who holds us in his mighty hands. Shoulder to shoulder, we'll praise, pray and share a meal. // **MENU:** Salsa Fresh Grill // **Dinner RSVP:** apostles-raleigh.org/prayerandpraise

Today

Sunday, January 26

During Worship | 8:30am + 11:00am

Nursery: Jesus Chooses Helpers {Matthew 4:18-22}

Kids Time: David and Goliath {1 Samuel 17}

Sunday School | 10am

Translating the Gospel {Sanctuary}

Essentials Membership Class {201}

Loving Our Neighbors {203}

Screens and Teens {204}

NINE1NINE {Middle School} | 6-8pm ~ Pizza + games at church!

NINE1DINE {High School} | 6-8pm ~ Dinner + hang with small groups {offsite}!

College Student Lunch

Interested in after-church fellowship? We'll meet weekly for lunch, alternating between families' homes and North Hills. Contact Kristi Sturgill if you're interested in coming or hosting. {kristi.sturgill@duke.edu}

Pastoral Search Team

The Pastoral Search Team is in the process of both getting a clear sense of the heart-beat of Apostles and discerning God's will around who He is calling to serve as our next Senior Pastor. While there are expected to be multiple avenues for feedback and communication, if you want to communicate with this team you can also do so through via searchteam@apostles-raleigh.org. Thank you for continuing to intercede for this process and for the team.

This Week

Monday, January 27

- Muffins 'n More: 10-11:30am
- Community HOPE: 5:30-6:30pm
- Women in the Word (W): 7-8:30pm

Tuesday, January 28

Apostles Staff Retreat

- Tuesday at Noon: 12-1:15pm
- Tuesday Prayer: 1:30-2:30pm
- Community HOPE: 5:30-6:30pm

Wednesday, January 29

- Band of Brothers (M): 7-8am {offsite}
- Sleepyheads (M): 7:15-8:30am
- Growing In Grace (W): 9:30-11:30am
- Community HOPE: 5:30-6:30pm

Thursday, January 30

- Men's Fraternity (M): 6:30-8am
- Blackwater Group (M): 7-8am {offsite}
- Community HOPE: 5:30-6:30pm
- Worship Practice: 6:30-8:30pm
- Choosing Courage + Love: 7pm

Coming Soon

2/5 Prayer + Praise

2/23 Student Sunday

2/25 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

2/26 Ash Wednesday Service

2020 Women's Retreat

REST, RESTORE, REJUVENATE.

Speaker: Margaret Thielman

Worship: Amanda Noël

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Registration deadline: February 10

If you are registered by January 27, your name will be entered into a prize drawing ... so register TODAY!
{scholarships are available}

DETAILS + REGISTRATION:

apostles-raleigh.org/womensretreat

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