

*Seek the Lost · Build up the Found · Transform the City  
Through Jesus Christ*

**AUGUST 11, 2019**

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 dismissed after the singing, and will return before Communion.

**All Creatures Of Our God And King**

1 All creatures of our God and King  
Lift up your voice and with us sing  
O praise Him Alleluia  
Thou burning sun with golden beam  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam

*O praise Him O praise Him  
Alleluia alleluia alleluia*

2 All the redeemed washed by His blood  
Come and rejoice in His great love  
O praise Him Alleluia  
Christ has defeated every sin  
Cast all your burdens now on Him

3 He shall return in pow'r to reign  
Heaven and earth will join to say  
O praise Him Alleluia  
Then who shall fall on bended knee  
All creatures of our God and King

4 Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
O praise Him Alleluia  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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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.**

## God Is For Us

1 We won't fear the battle  
We won't fear the night  
We will walk the Valley with You by our side  
You will go before us  
You will lead the way  
We have found a refuge only You can save

*Sing with joy now our God is for us  
The Father's love is a strong and mighty fortress  
Raise your voice now no love is greater  
Who can stand against us if our God is for us*

2 Even when I stumble  
Even when I fall  
Even when I turn back still Your love is sure  
You will not abandon  
You will not forsake  
You will cheer me onward with never ending grace

Neither height nor depth can separate us  
Hell and death will not defeat us  
He who gave His Son to free us  
Holds me in His love

James Ferguson | James Tealy | Jesse Reeves | Jonny Robinson |  
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## Agnus Dei

Alleluia alleluia  
For the Lord God Almighty reigns  
Alleluia alleluia  
For the Lord God Almighty reigns  
Alleluia

*Holy holy  
Are You Lord God Almighty  
Worthy is the Lamb  
Worthy is the Lamb  
You are holy holy  
Are You Lord God Almighty  
Worthy is the Lamb  
Worthy is the Lamb  
Amen*

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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.*

## SCRIPTURE READING

Revelation 19:1-10 (p. 1002)

*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 Luke.*

**People: Glory to You, Lord Christ.**

Luke 14:12-24 (p. 848)

*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

**Revelation: The Throne, The Lamb & The Dragon**

*The Wedding Feast*

Rev. Jay Traylor

## 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" means the Church worldwide.*

## PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*Leader: Father, we pray for your Church worldwide, that every member of your Holy Church may truly and humbly serve you;*

**People: Unify your Church in love, and glorify your name in every nation.**

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

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

*Leader: For John and Janie Farwell and their family, as they lead and coach basketball players through Athletes in Action;*

**People: Help them to develop the players into followers of Christ who bear witness to his love.**

*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: We pray for your protection over this and every nation of the world;*

**People: Frustrate the ways of the wicked, and lead all who know you to be people of peace.**

*Leader: Father, hear us now as we present our requests to you in faith. I invite you to lift up your prayers silently or aloud; and if aloud, please pray clearly so that we can hear and agree with you in prayer.*

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

**People: That our works may find favor in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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

## CONFESSION 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.**

*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 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.*

*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**

### **King Of Kings**

1 In the darkness we were waiting  
Without hope without light  
Till from Heaven You came running  
There was mercy in Your eyes  
To fulfil the law and prophets  
To a virgin came the Word  
From a throne of endless glory  
To a cradle in the dirt

*Praise the Father*

*Praise the Son*

*Praise the Spirit three in one*

*God of Glory*

*Majesty*

*Praise forever to the King of Kings*

2 To reveal the kingdom coming  
And to reconcile the lost  
To redeem the whole creation  
You did not despise the cross  
For even in Your suffering  
You saw to the other side  
Knowing this was our salvation  
Jesus for our sake You died

3 And the morning that You rose  
All of heaven held its breath  
Till that stone was moved for good  
For the Lamb had conquered death  
And the dead rose from their tombs  
And the angels stood in awe  
For the souls of all who'd come  
To the Father are restored

4 And the Church of Christ was born  
Then the Spirit lit the flame  
Now this Gospel truth of old  
Shall not kneel shall not faint  
By His blood and in His Name  
In His freedom I am free  
For the love of Jesus Christ  
Who has resurrected me

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### **Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost  
Amen

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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.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER (said together)**

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

**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

*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.*

## **The Table**

1 We will feast at the table of the Lord  
We will feast at the table of the Lord  
We won't hunger anymore at His table

*Come all you weary come and find  
His yoke is easy His burden is light  
He is able He will restore  
At the table of the Lord*

2 There is peace at the table of the Lord  
There is peace at the table of the Lord  
We won't worry anymore at His table

3 There is healing at the table of the Lord  
There is healing at the table of the Lord  
Oh and we won't suffer anymore at His table

4 We're invited to the table of the Lord  
We're invited to the table of the Lord  
He says come just as you are to His table

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## **How Deep The Father's Love For Us**

1 How deep the Father's love for us  
How vast beyond all measure  
That He should give His only Son  
To make a wretch His treasure  
How great the pain of searing loss  
The Father turns His face away  
As wounds which mar the Chosen One  
Bring many sons to glory

2 Behold the man upon a cross  
My sin upon His shoulders  
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice  
Call out among the scoffers  
It was my sin that held Him there  
Until it was accomplished  
His dying breath has brought me life  
I know that it is finished

3 I will not boast in anything  
No gifts, no power, no wisdom  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ  
His death and resurrection  
Why should I gain from His reward  
I cannot give an answer  
But this I know with all my heart  
His wounds have paid my ransom

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## Nothing But The Blood

1 What can wash away my sin  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
What can make me whole again  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;

*Oh precious is the flow  
That makes me white as snow  
No other fount I know  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus*

2 This is all my hope and peace,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
This is all my righteousness,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

3 Glory, glory, this I sing  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
All my praise for this I bring  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

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## Raise A Hallelujah

1 I raise a hallelujah in the presence of my enemies  
I raise a hallelujah louder than the unbelief  
I raise a hallelujah my weapon is a melody  
I raise a hallelujah Heaven comes to fight for me

*I'm gonna sing in the middle of the storm  
Louder and louder you're gonna hear my praises roar  
Up from the ashes hope will arise  
Death is defeated the King is alive*

2 I raise a hallelujah with everything inside of me  
I raise a hallelujah I will watch the darkness flee  
I raise a hallelujah in the middle of the mystery  
I raise a hallelujah fear you lost your hold on me

Sing a little louder (in the presence of my enemies)  
Sing a little louder (louder than the unbelief)  
Sing a little louder (my weapon is a melody)  
Sing a little louder (Heaven comes to fight for me)

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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

*Leader: All our problems,*

**People: we send to the cross of Christ.**

*Leader: All our difficulties,*

**People: we send to the cross of Christ.**

*Leader: All the devil's works,*

**People: we send to the cross of Christ.**

*Leader: All our hopes,*

**People: we set on the risen Christ!**

*Leader: Christ, the Sun of Righteousness, shine upon you, and scatter the darkness from before your path; and, may the blessing of Almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.*

## You Are My Vision

1 You are my vision O King of my heart  
Nothing else satisfies only You Lord  
You are my best thought by day or by night  
Waking or sleeping Your presence my light

2 You are my wisdom You are my true word  
I ever with You and You with me Lord  
You're my great Father and I'm Your true son  
You dwell inside me together we're one

3 High king of Heaven when victory's won  
May I reach Heaven's joy  
O bright Heaven's Son  
Heart of my own heart whatever befall  
Still be my vision O ruler of all

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*Our service begins with a **processional** where the cross and the clergy "process" into the sanctuary and ends with a **recessional**. Traditionally, the entire congregation processed in together. While that is no longer done, the symbolism remains. We remind ourselves and each other that we follow the cross of Christ into the presence of God to worship him. Then we are sent out into the world, following Christ, to love God and our neighbor.*

## DISMISSAL

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

**People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

# 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 Jay for more information.

Jay Traylor

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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

20's + 30's Fellowship

Contact Jessie Nordstrom for more information.

Jessie Nordstrom

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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](http://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](http://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
- FOCUS Student Ministry
- 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
- Women's Prison Ministry

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# What's Happening at Apostles

**School Supply Drive** ~ Remember to return your school supply bags by next Sunday, **AUGUST 18th**.

**Pub Theology | August 12 | 7pm** ~ Tap into a time of different views and different brews with Rev. Jay Traylor at Lynnwood Brewing Concern {1053 E. Whitaker Mill Rd.}. We'll talk life, philosophy and faith.

**Apostles Link Photo Booth | Sunday, August 18\* {date change}** ~ Do you have a current photo on your Apostles Link profile? Stop by the photo booth in the lobby next week and we'll snap a photo and upload it for you!

**The Vine Coffee Hour | August 18 | 9am** ~ Young adults {20's + 30's} will meet in the Youth Room on Sunday, August 18 at 10am for coffee and fellowship. Please join us!

## This Week

### Sunday, August 11

- Worship Service: 10:00am

### Monday, August 12

- High School Bible Study: 6-7:30pm (offsite)
- Knitting Fellowship: 7-8:30pm
- Pub Theology: 7-9pm | LBC

### Tuesday, August 13

- Tuesday Prayer: 1:30-2:30pm

### Wednesday, August 14

- Band of Brothers (M): 7-8am (offsite)
- Sleepyheads (M): 7:30-8:30am (offsite)
- Middle School Bible Study: 12-1pm Youth Room
- Men's Trivia: 8-10pm | Chow

### Thursday, August 15

- Blackwater Group (M): 7-8am (offsite)

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(W) - Women | (M) - Men

## Coming Soon at Apostles

**08/12** ~ Pub Theology | 7-9pm | LBC

**08/14** ~ Men's Trivia | 8pm | Chow Raleigh

**08/18** ~ The Vine Coffee Hour | 9am

**09/04** ~ Prayer + Praise

**09/08** ~ Two Services Resume | 8:30am + 11am  
The Vine Coffee Hour | 10am

**09/14** ~ Church Wide Yard Sale

**09/15** ~ Sunday School Resumes

## Student Ministry

### Summer Bible Studies:

High School ~ Monday, August 12

Middle School ~ Wednesday, August 14

**Summer Hangout! | Friday, August 16!**

## Children's Ministry

### Lessons for August 11, 2019

- **Nursery:** Abraham Obeys God {Genesis 12:1-8}
- **Kids Time:** Fruit of the Spirit - Kindness {Ephesians 4:32}

**BIG TIME will resume in the fall!**

church  
wide

# YARD SALE

saturday, september 14  
church of the apostles

all proceeds benefiting  
anglican immigrant initiative  
{[anglicanimmigrantinitiative.com](http://anglicanimmigrantinitiative.com)}

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Save The Date! All proceeds will benefit Anglican Immigrant Initiative of the ACNA which equips Anglican congregations to serve and reach under-resourced immigrants using legal aid.

{[anglicanimmigrantinitiative.com](http://anglicanimmigrantinitiative.com)} More details coming soon.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** Contact Elizabeth Traylor for more info on how to participate {404-217-9343 | [bethwtraylor@gmail.com](mailto:bethwtraylor@gmail.com)}

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