

Seek the Lost · Build up the Found · Transform the City
Through Jesus Christ
JANUARY 27, 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.

Praise To The Lord The Almighty

1 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

2 Praise to the Lord
Who o'er all things
So wondrously reigneth
Shelters thee under His wings
Yea so gently sustaineth
Hast Thou not seen
How all thy longings have been
Granted in what He ordaineth

Praise to You Lord
Blessing and honor glory and power
Forever are Yours
Forever are Yours

3 Praise to the Lord
Who doth prosper thy work and
Defend thee
Surely His goodness and mercy there
daily attend thee
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
If with His love He befriend thee

Praise to You Lord
Blessing and honor glory and power
Forever are Yours
Forever are Yours
Wisdom and strength
Splendor and majesty Lord God Almighty
Forever are Yours
Forever are Yours

4 Praise to the Lord
O 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 forever adore Him

ACCLAMATION & OPENING PRAYER

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

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

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.

Rising Sun

1 Praise Him all you sinners
Sing oh sing you weary
Oh praise Him all you children of God

2 We lift high His glory
Shown throughout our stories
We praise Him as the children of God

*Our great Redeemer glorious Savior
Your Name is higher than the rising sun
Light of the morning You shine forever
Your Name is higher than the rising sun
Your Name is higher than the rising sun*

3 Praise His Name forever
Speak it loud and clear now
Oh praise Him all you children of God

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Love So Great

1 Your love so great Jesus in all things
I've seen a glimpse of Your heart
A billion years still I'll be singing
How can I praise You enough
How can I praise You enough

*You are the Lord Almighty
Outshining all the stars in glory
Your love is like the wildest ocean
Oh nothing else compares*

2 We are alive for Your praise
In earth and sky no one is higher
Our God of wonders You reign
Our God of wonders You reign

Not to us but to Your Name
We lift up all praise
Not to us but to Your Name
We lift up all praise

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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 and children 3rd-5th grade are invited to go to Big Time. Kids Time is a dynamic worship service and Big Time is an age appropriate discussion time. Both cater to younger children and prepare them to participate in the main worship service. The children will return prior to Communion.

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Samuel 11:1-17

(p. 247)

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

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

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

People: Glory to You, Lord Christ.

John 12:1-10

(p. 872)

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

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, Lord Christ.

MESSAGE

Sermon Series: Christians Amid Controversy

Sex & the Abuse of Power

Rev. Eric J. Bolash

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: Father, guide our church's clergy and Leadership Council, gathering this week for their retreat;

People: Give them counsel, discernment and clarity about our church's focus and future plans for the building of your Kingdom.

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

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

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: 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

Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

1 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*

2 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*

3 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*

4 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: 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

*The **stole** worn by 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 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.

Before The Throne Of God Above

1 Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea
A great High Priest whose name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me
My name is graven on His hands
My name is written on His heart
I know that while in heav'n He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart
No tongue can bid me thence depart

2 When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end to all my sin
Because the sinless Savior died
My sinful soul is counted free
For God the Just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me
To look on Him and pardon me

*Hallelujah, Hallelujah
Praise the One, risen Son of God*

3 Behold Him there the risen Lamb
My perfect spotless righteousness
The great unchangeable I Am
The King of glory and of grace
One with Himself I cannot die
My soul is purchased with His blood
My life is hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Savior and my God
With Christ my Savior and my God

4 I bow before the cross of Christ
And marvel at this love divine
God's perfect Son the Sacrifice
That made me righteous in God's eyes
This river's depths I cannot know
But I can glory in its flood
The Lord most high has bowed down low
And poured on me His glorious love
And poured on me His glorious love

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A Cloud of Peace (Ode 35)

*A cloud of peace has risen
Over my head*

**A cloud of peace has risen
Over my head**

My salvation, my salvation
My salvation, my salvation

John Andrew Schreiner
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Forever Reign

My heart will sing no other Name
Jesus Jesus
My heart will sing no other Name
Jesus Jesus

*(Oh) I'm running to Your arms
I'm running to Your arms
The riches of Your love will always be enough
Nothing compares to Your embrace
Light of the world forever reign*

You are more You are more
Than my words will ever say
You are Lord You are Lord
All creation will proclaim
You are here You are here
In Your presence I'm made whole
You are God You are God
Of all else I'm letting go

My heart will sing no other Name
Jesus Jesus

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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 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.

OPPORTUNITIES

Your Love Is Alive

*Your love is alive, Your love is alive
Your love is beating inside of my heart
And my soul and my mind
Your love is alive, Your love is alive
Your love is leading me into the way
And the truth and the life*

The whole earth is filled, the whole earth is filled
Filled with Your glory, filled with Your glory
My whole life is filled, my whole life is filled
Filled with Your glory, filled with Your glory

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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 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:

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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.

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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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The Vine

20's + 30's Fellowship

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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
- CORRAL Riding Academy
- FOCUS Student Ministry
- Gateway
- Gideon International
- Hope Reins
- House of Hope
- Jobs for Life
- JusticeMatters
- Loaves and Fishes Ministry
- Neighbor To Neighbor
- NeighborHealth Center
- North Raleigh Ministries
- YoungLife {Raleigh}
- SafeFamilies of Raleigh
- The Encouraging Place
- Women's Prison Ministry

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What's Happening at Apostles

First Serve Saturdays ~ Beginning Saturday, February 2nd, we will take work crews to Wilmington to continue rebuilding homes damaged or destroyed in the wake of Hurricane Florence last fall. We will be partnering with our church plant, Christ Our Hope Wilmington. These trips will take place the first Saturday of the month—February thru June. **Contact Steve Zimmerman for more information: stephend54@icloud.com.**

The Vine Super Bowl Party ~ Our 20s + 30s Fellowship will get together for a Super Bowl Party on Sunday, February 3rd | 5:30pm at the Boulton's {4909 Wynneford Way}. Contact cotavine@gmail.com for more details!

2019 Women's Retreat | March 1-3, 2019 | Wrightsville Beach, NC ~ Registration is open for the 2019 Women's Retreat! Draw closer to the Lord as we are led through an inductive study of four parables from the Gospel of Luke - Lauren Mann and Robin Bolash || Amanda Noel - Worship Leader
DETAILS + REGISTRATION: apostles-raleigh.org/womensretreat

This Week

Sunday, January 27

- Worship Services: 8:30am + 11am
- Sunday School: 10am
- The Deal: 6-8pm

Monday, January 28

- Muffins 'n More: 10-11:30am
- Women in the Word (W): 7-8:45pm

Tuesday, January 29

- Tuesday at Noon (W): 12-1:15pm
- Tuesday Prayer + Praise:
1:30-2:30pm
- Community HOPE: 5:30-6:30pm

Wednesday, January 30

- Band of Brothers (M): 7-8am {offsite}
- Sleepyheads (M): 7:15-8:15am
- Growing in Grace (W): 9:30-11:10am
- Community HOPE: 5:30-6:30pm
- Leadership Council Retreat

Thursday, January 31

- Men's Fraternity (M): 6:30-8am
- Blackwater Group (M): 7-8am
- Community HOPE: 5:30-6:30pm
- Leadership Council Retreat

(M) Men | (W) Women

Coming Soon

February

- 1-3 ~ High School Ski Trip
- 2 ~ First Serve Saturday | Wilmington, NC
- 3 ~ Vine Super Bowl Party | 5:30pm
- 4 ~ Pub Theology | 7pm
- 6 ~ Potluck, Prayer + Praise | 5:30pm
- 7-9 ~ Southeast Regional Conference
- 13 ~ Abiding Prayer | 7pm
Men's Trivia | 8pm

Student Ministry

January

- 27 ~ The Deal | 6-8pm | Join us for The Deal tonight!

High School Ski Trip | February 1-3 ~ We are taking a high school ski trip to Beech Mountain this winter. This trip is open to 9-12th graders. Contact Paul or Emily to for registration.

Children's Ministry

Lessons for January 27, 2019

- **Nursery:** Our Father in Heaven {Matthew 6:9}
- **Kids Time:** John Baptizes Jesus {Matthew 3:13-17}
- ** Big Time will meet today in Room 208****

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL RETREAT

We will be hosting the Southeast Regional Retreat, February 7-9 for the churches in our region. This year's Regional Retreat topic is **Taking the Broader Synod Theme of Immigration and the Scriptures and Applying Them at the Regional Level** with speaker Rev'd Chris Schutte of All Saints Durham.

You are invited to join us on Friday evening and Saturday morning.
{Thursday and Friday are rector and ministry leader meetings.}



Friday, February 8

{child care provided up to 4 years old}
Holy Eucharist Service ~ 7:00-8:30pm

Saturday, February 9

{child care provided up to 4 years old}
Bishop Steve Breedlove Regional Address ~ 8:30am
Plenary Session ~ 9:15am
Breakout Sessions ~ 10:15am - Noon

- International Students -
- Church Legal Clinic -
- Ministry to Migrant Youth -
- ACNA Every Tribe and Nation Initiative -
- Plenary Speaker Session -

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