

*Seek the Lost · Build up the Found · Transform the City
Through Jesus Christ*
JANUARY 6, 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.

Rejoice The Lord Is King

1 Rejoice the Lord is King
Your Lord and King adore
Rejoice give thanks and sing
And triumph evermore

*Lift up your heart
Lift up your voice
Rejoice again I say rejoice*

2 Jesus the Savior reigns
The God of truth and love
When He had purged our stains
He took His seat above

3 His kingdom cannot fail
He rules o'er earth and heaven
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus given

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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.

All Hail The Power Of Jesus' Name

1 All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name
Let angels prostrate fall
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown Him Lord of all
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And crown Him Lord of all

2 Ye chosen seed of Israel's race
Ye ransomed from the fall
Hail Him who saves you by His grace
And crown Him Lord of all
Hail Him who saves you by His grace
And crown Him Lord of all

3 Sinners whose love can ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall
Go spread your trophies at His feet
And crown Him Lord of all
Go spread your trophies at His feet
And crown Him Lord of all

4 Let ev'ry kindred ev'ry tribe
On this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe
And crown Him Lord of all
To Him all majesty ascribe
And crown Him Lord of all

5 O that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all

6 Crown Him ye morning stars of light
Who fixed this earthly ball
Now hail the strength of Israel's might
And crown Him Lord of all
Now hail the strength of Israel's might
And crown Him Lord of all

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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

Romans 13:1-7

(p. 920)

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 Matthew.

People: Glory to You, Lord Christ.

Matthew 22:15-22

(p. 803)

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

Sermon Series: Christians Amid Controversy

All authority is established by God! Really?

Rev. Patrick Dominguez

Who You Say I Am

1 Who am I that the highest King
Would welcome me
I was lost but He brought me in
Oh His love for me
Oh His love for me

*Who the Son sets free, oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God, Yes I am*

2 Free at last
He has ransomed me
His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin
Jesus died for me
Yes He died for me

*Who the Son sets free, oh is free indeed
I'm a child of God, Yes I am
In my Father's house there's a place for me
I'm a child of God, Yes I am*

I am chosen not forsaken
I am who You say I am
You are for me not against me
I am who You say I am

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A CELEBRATION OF THE COVENANT OF BAPTISM

*A baptismal covenant will be made today on behalf of
Bradley Anderson Hearn, son of Bradley and Laura Hearn {8:30}
Jamerson Lillian Sparrow, daughter of Avery and Jessica Sparrow {11:00}*

COVENANT OF BAPTISM

Presentation of the Candidates by Parents

Parents: We present NN to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Leader: Today, on behalf of this child, you shall make a vows to renounce the devil and all his works, to trust God wholeheartedly, and to serve him faithfully. It is your task to see that this child is taught, as soon as they are able to learn, the meaning of all these vows, and of the Faith that you will profess as revealed in the Holy Scriptures. They must come to put their trust in Jesus, and learn the Creeds, the Lord's Prayer, the Ten Commandments, and all other things that a Christian ought to know, believe, and do for the welfare of their souls. When they have embraced all these, having become a disciple of Jesus, they are to come to the Bishop to be confirmed, that they may claim the Faith for their own and be further strengthened by the Holy Spirit to serve Christ and his Kingdom. Are you willing and ready to undertake this?

Parents: I am, the Lord being my helper.

Leader: Do you renounce the Devil and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Parents: I renounce them.

Leader: Do you renounce the empty promises and deadly deceits of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Parents: I renounce them.

Leader: Do you renounce the sinful desires of the flesh that draw you from the love of God?

Parents: I renounce them.

Leader: Almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness and evil, and lead you into the light and obedience of the kingdom of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Leader: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and confess him as your Lord and Savior?

Parents: I do.

Leader: Do you joyfully receive the Christian Faith, as revealed in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments?

Parents: I do.

Leader: Will you obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in them all the days of your life?

Parents: I will, the Lord being my helper.

Leader: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these children in their life in Christ?

People: We will.

Leader: Let us join with these candidates to proclaim our faith in the words of the ancient baptismal confession, the Apostles' Creed.

Leader: Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

People: I do. I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Leader: Do you believe and trust in Jesus Christ?

People: I do. 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.

Leader: Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

People: 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.

** The phrase "holy catholic Church" refers to the Church worldwide.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Let us now pray for this candidate who is to receive the Sacrament of Baptism. Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death and open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit and keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit and send them into the world in witness to your love.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns with you now and forever. Amen.

THANKSGIVING OVER WATER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

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

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

THE BAPTISM

Leader: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People: We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his Covenant of Faith.

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

People: And also with you.

WELCOME AND OFFERING

Steadfast

1 I will build my house
Whether storm or drought
On the rock that does not move
I will set my hope
In your love, O Lord
And your faithfulness will prove

*You are steadfast, steadfast
You are steadfast, steadfast*

2 By the word you spoke
All the starry host
Are called out by name each night
In your watchful care
I will rest secure
As you lead us with your light

3 I will not trust in the strength of kings
On your promise I will stand
I will shout for joy, I will raise my voice
Hallelujah to the Lamb!

In the moment of emptiness
All was fulfilled
In the hour of darkness
Your light was revealed
In the presence of death
Your life was affirmed
In the absence of holiness
You are still God.

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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?

Leader: Is Christ among us?

Leader: Is the Spirit here?

Leader: This is our God.

Leader: We are his people.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

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

People: He is.

People: He is.

People: He is.

People: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People: We are redeemed.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

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.

Unable to come forward? Please inform an usher to request that Communion be brought to you.

Gluten-free wafers available upon request.

I Am The Bread Of Life

1 I am the Bread of life
You who come to Me shall not hunger
You who believe in Me shall not thirst
No one can come to Me
Unless the Father draw them

*And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up
And I will raise you up on the last day*

2 I am the Resurrection, I am the Life
You who believe in me
Even if you die, you shall live forever.

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Face To Face

1 Breath of heaven come and dwell in us
Our hearts renew
Fire of God illuminate
Enkindle flames of truth

*As we enter into this mystery
Overwhelmed by the power of your grace
Lead us on, great herald of our victory
To our home where we stand face to face*

2 Comforter come counsel us
And make us truly wise
Rouse our souls from sin's great sleep
That love may come alive

Holy Spirit come (Breath of heaven)
Holy Spirit come (Wind of God)
Holy Spirit come (Fire of heaven)
Holy Spirit come

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Thy Strong Word

1 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.

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

2 From the cross thy wisdom shining
Breaketh forth in conqu'ring might;
From the cross forever beameth
All thy bright redeeming light.

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

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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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.

How Firm a Foundation

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
*What more can He say than to you He hath said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?*

The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
*That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake.*

Words: From A Selection of Hymns, John Rippon, 1787;
Music: Early American mel-o-dy; Caldwell's Union Harmony, 1837

*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.

Jay Traylor

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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.

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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

Pub Theology | January 7 | 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. Members and guests welcome! {Meets the 1st Monday of the month}

Abiding Prayer | January 9 | 7pm ~ Abiding Prayer takes place in the Youth Room from 7-8pm. Please join us for this special time of prayer. {Meets the 2nd + 4th Wednesdays}

Men's Trivia | January 9 | 8pm ~ Men, join us for fun and fellowship the 2nd Wednesday of each month for Trivia Night at Chow Pizza Bar {8311 Creedmoor Road}

This Week

Sunday, January 6

- Worship Services: 8:30am + 11am
- Town Hall Meeting: 10am

Monday, January 7

- Community HOPE: 5:30-6:30pm
- Women in the Word (W): 7-8:45pm
- Pub Theology @ LBC: 7-9pm

Tuesday, January 8

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

Wednesday, January 9

- 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
- Abiding Prayer: 7pm
- Men's Trivia @ Chow: 8pm

Thursday, January 10

- Men's Fraternity (M): 6:30-8am
- Blackwater Group (M): 7-8am
- Finance Meeting: 8-9:30am
- Community HOPE: 5:30-6:30pm

(M) Men | (W) Women

After School Mentoring

The Alexander Family YMCA Community HOPE Mentor Program meets at Apostles, Monday thru Thursdays from 5:30-6:30pm. Adult volunteer mentors (16+) are matched with a student for a year-long commitment. Mentors meet with their student once a week throughout the school year. Your influence as a mentor can create a positive and lasting impact in the lives of these students. Please consider becoming a mentor!

For more information contact: Barbara Longobardo {919-582-2236 | barbarabara.longobardo@YMCATriangle.org}

Student Ministry

January

13 ~ The Deal
20 ~ The Deal
27 ~ The Deal

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, registration will be open soon!

Children's Ministry

Lessons for January 6, 2018

- **Nursery:** Escape to Egypt {Matthew 2:13-18}
- **Kids Time:** Escape to Egypt {Matthew 2:13-18}

CHURCH OF THE APOSTLES

Women's Ministry

WOMEN'S RETREAT

connection ▪ rest ▪ reflection ▪ fun

MARCH 1-3

BLOCKADE RUNNER

WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH, NC

INDUCTIVE BIBLE STUDY
LED BY

Robin Bolash and
Lauren Mann

WORSHIP LED BY

Amanda Noël

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

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