

*Seek the Lost · Build up the Found · Transform the City  
Through Jesus Christ*  
**NOVEMBER 4, 2018**

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.

### **Holy God We Praise Your Name**

1 Holy God, we praise Your name;  
Lord of all, we bow before You.  
Saints on earth your rule acclaim;  
All in heav'n above adore You.  
Infinite Your vast domain;  
Everlasting is Your reign.

2 Hark, the glad celestial hymn  
Angel choirs above are raising;  
Cherubim and seraphim,  
In unceasing chorus praising,  
Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord:  
"Holy, holy, holy Lord!"

3 Holy Father, Holy Son,  
Holy Spirit, three we name You,  
Though in essence only one;  
Undivided God, we claim You,  
And, adoring, bend the knee  
While we own the mystery.

## 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 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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## 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

Exodus 3:1-15

(p. 46)

*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 8:48-59

(p. 869)

*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

### **Exodus: I Have Come Down to Rescue Them**

*I AM Has Sent Me*

Rev. Eric. J. Bolash

## King Of Heaven

1 Jesus let Your kingdom come here  
Let Your will be done here in us  
Jesus there is no one greater  
You alone are Savior  
Show the world Your love

*King of heaven come down  
King of heaven come now  
Let Your glory reign  
Shining like the day  
King of heaven come*

2 We are children of Your mercy  
Rescued for Your glory  
We cry Jesus set our hearts towards You  
That ev'ry eye would see You lifted high

*King of heaven come down  
King of heaven come now  
Let Your glory reign  
Shining like the day  
King of heaven come  
King of heaven rise up  
Who can stand against us  
You are strong to save in Your mighty name  
King of heaven come*

*King of heaven come  
King of heaven come*

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## A CELEBRATION OF THE COVENANT OF BAPTISM

*A baptismal covenant will be made today on behalf of  
Wesley Pfohl Flynt, presented by Andrew and Becca Flynt {8:30}  
Lakiesha Flores, presented by Shea and Julie Tisdale {8:30}  
Ashton Carter West, presented by Carlos and TaRay West {11:00}  
Mason Kai West, presented by Carlos and TaRay West {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 these children, 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 these children are 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 desire to be baptized?*

**Candidate: I do.**

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

**Parents / Candidate: 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 / Candidate: I renounce them.**

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

**Parents / Candidate: 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 / Candidate: I do.**

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

**Parents / Candidate: I do.**

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

**Parents / Candidate: 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 these candidates who are 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

### 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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## 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.***

## We Long To See You

Almighty God, we long to see you;  
Open our hearts and make them pure.  
Spirit, we wash our hands in mercy;  
Come teach our souls to love your truth.

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## And Can It Be

1 And can it be that I should gain  
An interest in the Savior's blood?  
Died He for me who caused His pain?  
For me who Him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! How can it be  
That Thou, my God, should die for me?

2 He left His Father's throne above,  
So free, so infinite His grace!  
Emptied Himself of all but love,  
And bled for Adam's helpless race.  
'Tis mercy all, immense and free,  
For O my God, it found out me!

*Amazing love! How can it be  
That Thou, my God, should die for me!*

3 Long my imprisoned spirit lay,  
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;  
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray;  
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;  
My chains fell off, my heart was free,  
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

4 No condemnation now I dread;  
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine;  
Alive in Him, my living Head,  
And clothed in righteousness divine,  
Bold I approach the eternal throne,  
And claim the crown, through Christ my own

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## Stronger

1 There is Love that came for us  
Humbled to a sinner's cross  
You broke my shame and sinfulness  
You rose again victorious

2 Faithfulness none can deny  
Through the storm and through the fire  
There is truth that sets me free  
Jesus Christ who lives in me

*You are stronger, You are stronger  
Sin is broken, You have saved me  
It is written, Christ is risen!  
Jesus, You are Lord of all*

3 No beginning and no end  
You're my hope and my defense  
You came to seek and save the lost  
You paid it all upon the cross

So let Your Name be lifted higher  
Be lifted higher, Be lifted higher

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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.*

## All Creatures Of Our God And King (reprise)

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

*O praise Him O praise Him  
Alleluia alleluia alleluia*

St. Francis of Assisi | William Henry Draper  
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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!**

# W E L C O M E!

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.

*Emily Gebbie*  
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**The Vine**  
20's + 30's Fellowship

[cotavine@gmail.com](mailto:cotavine@gmail.com)

## 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  
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

[apostles.raleigh.org/local](http://apostles.raleigh.org/local)

# What's Happening at Apostles

**Pub Theology | November 5 | 7pm** ~ Tap into a time of different views and different brews with Pastor Jay Traylor at Lynnwood Brewing Concern {1053 E. Whitaker Mill Rd.}. We'll talk life, philosophy and faith. Members and guests welcome!

**Men's Fall Fellowship | Saturday, November 10** ~ Join us from noon-5:30pm at Umstead Park, Crabtree Creek Shelter! We'll have lunch, a corn hole tournament, hear a message from David Horner {former lead pastor, Providence Baptist Church} and worship time. **Cost: \$10 | Guests: No Charge**

**SIGN UP HERE: [apostles-raleigh.org/mensministry](http://apostles-raleigh.org/mensministry)**

## This Week

### Sunday, November 4

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

### Monday, November 5

- Women in the Word (W): 7-8:45pm
- Community HOPE: 5:30-6:30pm
- Pub Theology: 7pm  
(Lynnwood Brewing Concert)

### Tuesday, November 6

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

### Wednesday, November 7

- Band of Brothers (M): 7am
- Sleepyheads (M): 7:15am
- Growing in Grace (W): 9:30-11:30am
- Community HOPE: 5:30-6:30pm
- Potluck, Prayer & Praise: 5:50pm

### Thursday, November 8

- Men's Fraternity (M): 6:30-8am
- Blackwater Group (M): 7-8am  
(offsite)
- Bible Study @ The Cardinal (W): 11am-12pm
- Community HOPE: 5:30-6:30pm

### Friday, November 9

- Women's Fellowship: 6-9pm

### Saturday, November 10

- Men's Fall Fellowship: 12-5:30pm  
(Umstead Park)

## Coming Soon

### NOVEMBER

- 17 ~ Discovering Apostles Membership Class | 9am-12pm  
The Vine Chili Cookoff
- 16-17 ~ Kelly Minter's Cultivate {Greensboro, NC}
- 18 ~ Guatemala Mission Trip Interest Meeting

### DECEMBER

- 1 ~ Greening the Church
- 9 ~ Women's Retreat Bake Sale

## Student Ministry

### NOVEMBER

- 4 ~ The Deal | 6-8pm
- 11 ~ The Deal | 6-8pm
- 18 ~ The Deal | 6-8pm
- 25 ~ \*NO\* Deal

Join us for The Deal tonight! The Deal is for all students 6th-12th grade, and meets in the youth room upstairs. We will be continuing our discussion on the foundations of Christianity through our Youth Alpha Series. We encourage you to think and pray about who you might invite to join us for this series.

## Children's Ministry

### Lessons for November 4, 2018

- **Nursery:** Be Happy With What You Have {Exodus 20:17}
- **Kids Time:** Deborah Obeys God {Judges 4:1-16}

**First Communion Class | December 2 | 4-5:15pm** ~ Contact Stacey for details!

# POTLUCK PRAYER PRAISE

*Wednesday, November 7*

5 : 3 0   D I N N E R   |   6 : 3 0   W O R S H I P

Beginning November 7, Potluck, Prayer & Praise will be the first Wednesday of each month! The evening will begin with a potluck dinner at 5:30 in the fellowship hall, followed by a time of prayer and praise in the sanctuary at 6:30.

**LAST NAME, please bring:**

**A-I:** main dish

**J-R:** side dish

**S-Z:** dessert

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