

*Seek the Lost · Build up the Found · Transform the City
Through Jesus Christ*
JANUARY 20, 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.

O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing

1 O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise
The glories of my God and King
The triumphs of His grace

2 My gracious Master and my God
Assist me to proclaim
To spread through all the earth abroad
The honors of Thy name

*(So) come on and sing out
Let our anthem grow loud
There is one great love
Jesus*

3 Jesus the name that charms our fears
That bids our sorrows cease
'Tis music in the sinner's ears
'Tis life and health and peace

4 He breaks the power of canceled sin
He sets the prisoner free
His blood can make the foulest clean
His blood availed for me

5 To God all glory, praise, and love
Be now and ever given
By saints below and saints above,
The Church in earth and heaven.

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.

Here For You

*To You our hearts are open
Nothing here is hidden
You are our one desire
You alone are holy
Only You are worthy
God let Your fire fall down*

1 Let our praise be Your welcome
Let our songs be a sign
We are here for You
We are here for You
Let Your breath come from heaven
Fill our hearts with Your life
We are here for You
We are here for You

2 Let our shout be Your anthem
Your renown fill the sky
We are here for You
We are here for You
Let Your Word move in power
Let what's dead come to life
We are here for You
We are here for You

We welcome You with praise
We welcome You with praise
Almighty God of love
Be welcome in this place

Let ev'ry heart adore
Let ev'ry soul awake
Almighty God of love
Be welcome in this place

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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

Psalm 82

(p. 475)

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 18:1-10

(p. 799)

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

Rescue the Weak

Rev. Patrick Dominguez

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: We pray for our Mission Partner, Gateway Ministry as they assist women and men who find themselves in unplanned pregnancies;

People: Guide them to offer gracious counsel, showing the compassionate love of Christ in every interaction.

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

All The Poor And Powerless

1 All the poor and powerless
And all the lost and lonely
And all the thieves will come confess
And know that You are holy
And know that You are holy

*And all will sing out hallelujah
And we will cry out hallelujah*

2 All the hearts who are content
And all who feel unworthy
And all who hurt with nothin' left
Will know that You are holy

Shout it
Go on and scream it from the mountains
Go on and tell it to the masses
That He is God

*We will sing out hallelujah
And we will cry out hallelujah*

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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.

Holy Holy Holy Lord

Holy holy holy Lord
God of pow'r and might
Heaven and earth are filled
With Your glory

*Hosanna hosanna in the highest
Hosanna hosanna in the highest*

Peter Scholtes
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Living Hope

1 How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished the end is written
Jesus Christ my living hope

2 Who could imagine so great a mercy
What heart could fathom such boundless grace
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ my living hope

*Hallelujah praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ my living hope*

3 Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
Jesus Yours is the victory

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This Is Amazing Grace

1 Who breaks the power of sin and darkness
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger
The King of Glory
The King above all kings

2 Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder
Who leaves us breathless in awe and wonder
The King of Glory
The King above all kings

*This is amazing grace this is unfailing love
That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You would lay down Your life
That I would be set free
Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me*

3 Who brings our chaos back into order
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter
The King of Glory
The King of Glory

4 Who rules the nations with truth and justice
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance
The King of Glory
The King above all kings

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
And worthy is the King who conquered the grave
And worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquers the grave
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Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy worthy worthy

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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.

Lord Dismiss Us With Your Blessing

1 Lord, dismiss us with your blessing;
Fill our hearts with joy and peace.
Let us each, Your love possessing,
Triumph in redeeming grace.

*Lord, direct us and protect us
Traveling through this wilderness
O direct us and protect us
Traveling through this wilderness*

2 Thanks we give and adoration
For your gospel's joyful sound.
May the fruits of your salvation
In our hearts and lives abound.

*Ever faithful, ever faithful
to Your truth may we be found
Ever faithful, ever faithful
to Your truth may we be found*

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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.**

Discovering Apostles | February 23 | 9am-12pm ~ Considering membership at Church of the Apostles? Want to learn more about who we are? Join us for the next Discovering Apostles Class on Saturday, February 23 from 9am-12pm. Contact Marsha to sign up: {marsha@apostles-raleigh.org} Child care is available upon request.

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 20

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

Monday, January 21

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

- Women in the Word (W): 7-8:45pm

Tuesday, January 22

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

Wednesday, January 23

- 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: 7-8pm

Thursday, January 24

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

(M) Men | (W) Women

Winter Sunday School

Christian & Anglican | Room 201
Mark Manuscript Study | Room 203
The Ologies II | Room 204

That the World May Know | Sanctuary
Student Ministry Confirmation Class | Room 205

Children's classes are held in downstairs classrooms and nurseries. Middle and High School classes meet in the upstairs youth rooms.

Student Ministry

January

20 ~ The Deal | 6-8pm
27 ~ The Deal | 6-8pm

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 20, 2019

- **Nursery:** John Preaches in the Desert {Matthew 3:1-6}
- **Kids Time:** Do's and Don'ts of Praying {Matthew 6:5-14}
- **Big Time:** Meets upstairs 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

Registration is required for any attendance other than the Holy Eucharist Service on Friday evening. **REGISTRATION: www.adhope.org**

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