

Seek the Lost · Build up the Found · Transform the City
Through Jesus Christ
MARCH 5, 2017

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Isaiah 43:19-21) & PRAYER OF PURITY

Leader: Let us worship God, who has done great things.

People: We rejoice in our God, who made a way through the desert of this world.

Leader: Let us worship God, who has caused streams of mercy to flow in the wasteland.

**People: We are the people God has formed through Christ; we worship him,
and we rejoice!**

Leader: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

People: We praise God for the grace that has saved us.

Leader: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: His mercy endures 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.

How Great Thou Art

1 O Lord my God when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds
Thy hands have made
I see the stars I hear the rolling thunder
Thy pow'r throughout
the universe displayed

*Then sings my soul my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!*

2 And when I think
that God His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die I scarce can take it in
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin

3 When Christ shall come
with shout of acclamation
And take me home
what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim my God
how great Thou art

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Oh Our Lord

*Oh our Lord, Oh our Lord
How majestic is Your Name in all the earth*

1 We behold the breaking dawn
The light that shines over ev'ryone
We look to You, we long for You
Oh Lord

2 We behold the rising sun
The earth awakes Your hope has come
We look to You, we long for You, oh Lord

3 We behold the falling rain
Like waters rise flood this place
We reach for You, we cling to You, oh Lord

Oh Your Name is a light in the darkness
Oh Your Name is the word of truth
Oh Your Name, oh Your Name

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What A Beautiful Name

1 You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ

*What a beautiful Name it is
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a beautiful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus*

2 You didn't want heaven without us
So Jesus You brought heaven down
My sin was great Your love was greater
What could separate us now

*What a wonderful Name it is
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus*

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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

1 John 1:1-2:6 (p. 985)

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 1:1-5 (p. 860)

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, Lord Christ.

MESSAGE

Sermon Series: This Is Love

I Like the Way You Walk

Rev. Patrick Dominguez

THE NICENE CREED (said together)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**The phrase "holy catholic Church" means the Church worldwide.*

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Leader: With confidence and trust let us pray to the Father. For the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, let us pray to the Father. Lord of compassion,

People: In your mercy, hear our prayer.

Leader: For the mission of the Church, that we would faithfully preach the gospel to the ends of the earth; let us pray to the Father. Lord of compassion,

People: In your mercy, hear our prayer.

Leader: For peace in the world, that a spirit of respect and reconciliation may grow among nations and peoples, let us pray to the Father. Lord of compassion,

People: In your mercy, hear our prayer.

Leader: For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all in danger, that they may be relieved and protected, let us pray to the Father. Lord of compassion,

People: In your mercy, hear our prayer.

Leader: For those whom we have injured or offended, let us pray to the Father. Lord of compassion,

People: In your mercy, hear our prayer.

Leader: For grace to amend our lives and to further the reign of God, let us pray to the Father. Lord of compassion,

People: In your mercy, hear our prayer.

*Leader: God our Father, in your love and goodness you have taught us to come close to you in penitence with prayer, fasting and generosity; accept our prayers, and when we fall by our weakness, raise us up by your unfailing mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.***

Hear the promise of God for us: "If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:8-9

Let us now come to the Lord, who is full of compassion, and acknowledge our transgressions with godly sorrow and faith.

HOLY CONFESSION (said together)

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

Leader: This is love, not that we loved God,

People: But that he loved us and sent his Son.

Leader: He is the sacrifice for our sins,

People: That we might live through him.

Leader: If God loves us so much,

People: We ought to love one another.

Leader: If we love one another,

People: God lives in us. Amen.

Leader: Church, hear the Good News: In Christ, all your sins are forgiven! The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

WELCOME and OFFERING

This Is How We Know

This is how we know (this is how we know)
This is how we know (this is how we know)
This is how we know (this is how we know)
What love is (what love is).

Jesus Christ (Jesus Christ)
Laid down his life (laid down his life)
For us (for us)
For us (for us)
For us (for us)

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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: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

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 them 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.

Our Father In Heaven (The Lord's Prayer)

Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be your Name
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done on earth as in heav'n

Give us today our daily bread
Forgive us our sins
As we forgive those who sin against us
Save us from the time of trial
And deliver us from evil

*For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
Now and forever, Amen.*

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(said together)

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord who always delights in showing mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. 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

The Church of The Apostles welcomes 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. Thank you.

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. Thank you.

COMMUNION SONGS (Please join in singing during communion.)

A prayer team is available to pray with you at the back of the worship area.

Trinity Song

Leader: Holy Father, Son and Spirit

Holy Communion, Three-in-one

People: Holy Father, Son and Spirit

Holy Communion, Three-in-one

Leader: Come with your peace, with your invitation

Bind us together in holy love

People: Come with your peace, with your invitation

Bind us together in holy love

Sandra McCracken

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I Heard The Voice Of Jesus Say (with Psalm 32:1-7)

1 I heard the voice of Jesus say
Come unto Me and rest
Lay down thou weary one
Lay down thy head upon My breast
*I came to Jesus as I was
Weary and worn and sad
I found in Him a resting place
And He has made me glad*

2 What blessedness for him whose guilt
Has all forgiven been!
When his transgressions pardoned are,
And covered is his sin.
*O blessed the man 'gainst whom the Lord
Counts no iniquity,
And in whose spirit there is not
Deceit or treachery.*

3 When I kept silent, my bones aged;
My groaning filled each day.
Your hand oppressed me day and night;
My strength was dried away.
*Then I to You admitted sin,
Hid not my guiltiness;
I said, "I will before the LORD'
Transgressions now confess."*

4 Then You did all my sin forgive
And take my guilt away.
For this when You are near at hand
Let all the godly pray.
*The rising floods will harm him not.
You are my hiding place.
And You will comfort me with songs
Of victory and grace.*

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What A Beautiful Name

Death could not hold You
The veil tore before You
You silence the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring
The praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again

You have no rival
You have no equal
Now and forever God You reign
Yours is the kingdom
Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all names

*What a powerful Name it is
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of 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

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. And may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you, now and forever. Amen.

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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DISMISSAL

Leader: *Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord.*
People: **Thanks be to God!**

Welcome Visitors and Newcomers

We are glad you are worshipping with us this morning. Below are a few ways that you can become more involved at Apostles. If you have questions this morning, you can **fill out a yellow Connection Card** (found under the seat in front of you) and place it in the offering basket. *Welcome!*

Sign Up For



The Pulse e-mail newsletter—
To receive our weekly e-newsletter with updates and announcements about what is going on at Apostles.

Simply fill out the Connection Card under the seat in front of you and drop it in the offering basket.



ApostlesLink.org—Our online communication tool connects you to ministries and members of the Apostles community.

For a login, e-mail Marsha Whyte:
marsha@apostles-raleigh.org

Find a Group

Interested in connecting deeper into the community here at Apostles? Consider joining a Community Group! Various men's and women's ministry groups meet throughout the week. Contact Curt for more information.

Curt Solomon
curt@apostles-raleigh.org



Student Ministry Small Groups happen Sundays at 5:30pm during the school year.
(6th - 12th grades)
Contact Chris for more information.

Chris Hendricks
chris@apostles-raleigh.org

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 in the back of the sanctuary, toward the right as you enter.

Lent Compline

The English word Compline is derived from the Latin completorium, as Compline is the completion of the working day.

Please join on Wednesday nights beginning March 8 for Compline services during the season of Lent.

These evening services begin at 8:45pm and will last about 20 minutes.

In his book, *Don't Waste Your Life*, John Piper said "If you are God, your work is to create out of nothing. If you are not God, but like God—that is, if you are human—your work is to take what God has made and shape it and use it to make Him look great." What better way to bring glory to the Lord than to offer Him the creative gifts he has bestowed upon us! To find out more please join us!

Apostles Visual Worship Arts Lunch Gathering
Sunday, March 19 | Fellowship Hall
Immediately after 11:00 service

If you would like to attend, please contact Jonathan Noël {**jonathan@apostles-raleigh.org** | 919-782-0550}.

What's Happening at Apostles

COTA Women's Mentoring Ministry ~ Applications (mentors and mentees) for the 2017-2018 Women's Mentoring Ministry are available now! A new online version can be found on our website or hard copies available in the lobby. There is a drop-off box upstairs for completed paper forms. This program seeks to create a welcoming environment, meeting women wherever they find themselves on their spiritual journey and equipping them to invest in one another's spiritual growth as disciples of Jesus Christ. **APPLICATION DEADLINE: Friday, April 7th.** For questions regarding the mentoring program, please contact Ruth Brooks **{ruthbrooks@mac.com}**.

This Week @ Apostles

Sunday, March 5

- Worship Service:
8:30am & 11:00am
- Sunday School: 10:00am
- The Deal: 5:30-7pm

Monday, March 6

- Community Hope: 4:30-6:30pm
- Women in the Word (W): 7-9pm

Tuesday, March 7

- Tuesday at Noon (W): 12-1pm
- Tuesday Praise & Prayer:
1:30-3:30pm
- Community Hope: 4:30-6:30pm

Wednesday, March 8

- Band of Brothers (M): 7-8am
(offsite)
- Sleepyheads (M): 7:15-8:15am
- Growing in Grace (W): 9:30-11am
- Community Hope: 4:30-6:30pm
- Leadership Council: 7-9pm
- Intercessory Prayer: 7-8:30pm
- Lent Compline: 8:45pm

Thursday, March 9

- Men's Fraternity (M): 6:30-8am
- Blackwater Group (M): 7-8am
(offsite)
- Community Hope: 4:30-6:30pm

Friday, March 19

- Bedheads (W): 6-7am

Coming Soon @ Apostles

MARCH

10-12 ~ High School Retreat | Boone, NC

APRIL

9 ~ Palm Sunday

13 ~ Maundy Thursday Service

14 ~ Good Friday Service @ COTA

15 ~ The Great Egg Hunt | Eastgate Park

Apostles Student Ministry

> **TONIGHT!** ~ The Deal & Small Groups: 5:30-7pm

> **March 12** ~ *NO DEAL* (High School Retreat)

> **March 26** ~ NINE1NINE: SK80's Night!

> **March 31-April 1** ~ Middle School Lock In @ Defy Gravity

SUMMER 2017

Middle School Great Escape ~ June 11-16 {Sign ups open!}

High School Mission Trip ~ July 9-15 {Sign ups open!}

Middle School IMPACT Week (local) ~ July 31 - August 4

Apostles Children's Ministry

Lessons for March 5

> **Nursery:** Jesus Loves Zacchaeus {Luke 19:1-10}

> **Kid's Time:** Jesus Raises Lazarus {John 11:1-45}

> **Big Time:** Walking in the Light {1 John 1:1-2:6}

Welcome to Church of the Apostles

We pray that you know God's presence as you worship with us today.

Holy Communion is open to all who have accepted Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Children are welcome to receive communion at their parent's discretion. It is our custom to use wine during communion. If you choose not to partake of the wine, you can receive grape juice from the smaller chalices on the end of the serving lines.



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