

*Seek the Lost · Build up the Found · Transform the City*  
*Through Jesus Christ*  
**NOVEMBER 18, 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, Holy, Holy**

1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns  
around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,  
Which, wert and art and evermore shall be.

3 Holy, holy, holy! though the  
darkness hide Thee,  
Though the eye of sinful man  
Thy glory may not see;  
Only Thou art holy; there is  
none beside Thee,  
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All Thy works shall praise Thy Name,  
in earth, and sky, and sea;  
Holy, holy, holy; merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

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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.**

## 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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## Great Are You Lord

You give life, You are love  
You bring light to the darkness  
You give hope, You restore ev'ry  
heart that is broken  
And great are You Lord

*It's Your breath in our lungs  
So we pour out our praise  
We pour out our praise  
It's Your breath in our lungs  
So we pour out our praise to You only*

And all the earth will shout Your praise  
Our hearts will cry these bones will sing  
Great are You Lord

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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

Exodus 5:1-23

(p. 47)

*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 John.*

**People: Glory to You, Lord Christ.**

John 16:24-33

(p. 877)

*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

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

*The Blessing of Bricks Without Straw*

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 people throughout the world.*

**People: Bless our leaders, bishops and pastors; and all churches that praise your name.**

*Leader: Lord Jesus we pray for peace and for goodwill among the nations.*

**People: Bless the peoples of the world and guide them in the ways of justice and truth.**

*Leader: We pray for all who serve you, carrying the gospel into the world, and especially for our mission partner Corral Riding Academy, participating in your healing work among young teen girls;*

**People: That you would work miraculously through the horses, and through the kindness of mentors to bring freedom and healing, in Jesus' name.**

*Leader: God of all compassion we pray for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.*

**People: Lead us to care for all who are vulnerable.**

*Leader: Father, you are a God who delights in bringing lost children home.*

**People: Let us rejoice in your salvation and gladly tell others of your great love for them.**

*Leader: I invite you to lift up your own prayers and needs, either silently or out loud. If aloud, please*

**People: speak clearly for all to hear so that we might agree with you in prayer.**

*Leader: Grant to us, Lord, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right;*

**People: And guide us, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

*Leader: Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.*

## 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: The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you forgiveness of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. 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.*

## **I Asked The Lord**

1 I asked the Lord that I might grow  
In faith and love and every grace  
Might more of His salvation know  
And seek more earnestly His face

2 Twas He who taught me thus to pray  
And He I trust has answered prayer  
But it has been in such a way  
As almost drove me to despair

3 I hoped that in some favored hour  
At once He'd answer my request  
And by His love's constraining power  
Subdue my sins and give me rest

4 Instead of this He made me feel  
The hidden evils of my heart  
And let the angry powers of Hell  
Assault my soul in every part

5 Yea more with His own hand He seemed  
Intent to aggravate my woe  
Crossed all the fair designs I schemed,  
Cast out my feelings, laid me low

6 Lord why is this, I trembling cried  
Wilt Thou pursue thy worm to death?  
"Tis in this way" The Lord replied  
"I answer prayer for grace and faith"

7 "These inward trials I employ  
From self and pride to set thee free  
And break thy schemes of earthly joy  
That thou mayest seek thy all in me,  
That thou mayest seek thy all 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.**

## 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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**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.*

## **Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face To Face**

1 Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face;  
Here would we touch and handle things unseen;  
Here grasp with firmer hand eternal grace  
And all my weariness upon Thee lean.

2 Here would I feed upon the bread of God,  
Here drink with Thee the royal wine of heav'n;  
Here would we lay aside each earthly load,  
Here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiv'n.

3 This is the hour of banquet and of song;  
This is the heav'nly table spread for me;  
Here let me feast, and feasting, still prolong  
The brief, bright hour of fellowship with Thee.

4 Too soon we rise, the symbols disappear;  
The feast, though not the love, is past and done;  
Gone are the bread and wine, but Thou art here,  
Nearer than ever, still my Shield and Sun.

5 Feast after feast thus comes, and passes by;  
Yet passing, points to the glad feast above;  
Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy,  
The Lamb's great bridal feast of bliss and love.

## Build My Life

1 Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing  
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring  
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe  
We live for You

2 Jesus the name above ev'ry other name  
Jesus the only one who could ever save  
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe  
We live for You  
We live for You

*Holy there is no one like You  
There is none besides You  
Open up my eyes in wonder and  
show me who You are  
And fill me with Your heart  
And lead me in Your love to those around me*

I will build my life upon Your love  
It is a firm foundation  
I will put my trust in You alone  
And I will not be shaken

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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 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.*

### King Of My Heart

1 Let the King of my heart  
Be the mountain where I run  
The fountain I drink from  
Oh He is my song  
Let the King of my heart  
Be the shadow where I hide  
The ransom for my life  
Oh He is my song

*You are good good, oh Lord  
You are good good, oh Lord*

2 Let the King of my heart  
Be the wind inside my sails  
The anchor in the waves  
Oh He is my song  
Let the King of my heart  
Be the fire inside my veins  
The echo of my days  
Oh He is my song

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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:

[marsha@apostles-raleigh.org](mailto:marsha@apostles-raleigh.org)

## 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  
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## 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)

## 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)

## Financial Update

When Church of the Apostles began meeting in our current space in May 2008, we had a loan balance of \$4,572,581. We continue to give thanks that, with contributions from Upon this Rock, Freedom for Mission and the sale of the land for the parking deck, we have been debt free for a year! As a result of your stewardship and God's faithfulness during Freedom for Mission, we have been able to allocate \$374,826 toward direct mission grants and increase our Missions budget by 99% over our prior fiscal year.

# What's Happening at Apostles

**Guatemala Mission 2019** ~ Apostles will be returning to Guatemala {June 15-22, 2019} to work with Potter's House. There will be a meeting following the 11am service today for anyone interested in hearing more about this mission opportunity. Meet upstairs in the Youth Room.

**Advent Wreath Making | December 2 at 10am {between services}** ~ Create an advent wreath to enjoy at home! Suggested \$10 donation covers costs of candles materials.

**Women's Retreat Bake Sale | Sunday, December 9!** Please *bring a goodie* you'd like to donate, labeling the contents. All baked goods can be dropped off the day of the sale. *Buy a goodie:* The bake sale will be open after both the 8:30 and 11:00 services. Consider grabbing a treat for a friend, neighbor or Christmas gift! Proceeds will go toward scholarships for the Women's Retreat in March. **Questions:** Jane Speight {[janespeight2@gmail.com](mailto:janespeight2@gmail.com)}.

## This Week

### Sunday, November 18

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

### Monday, November 19

- Community HOPE: 5:30-6:30pm

### Tuesday, November 20

- Tuesday Prayer & Praise: 1:30-2:30pm
- Community HOPE: 5:30-6:30pm

### Wednesday, November 21

- Band of Brothers (M): 7am
- Sleepyheads (M): 7:15am

### Thursday, November 22

**THANKSGIVING DAY**  
**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**



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## Greening the Church

We invite any who would like to assist in decorating the church for Christmas to join us on **Saturday, December 1** between 9:00am and 12:30pm. This is a fun, easy way to serve and fellowship where no previous experience is required. The simple instructions and supplies are ready when you arrive, and help as long as you have time.

**Questions?** Mary Amundsen {[ramundsen@aol.com](mailto:ramundsen@aol.com)}.

## Student Ministry

### NOVEMBER

18 ~ The Deal | 6-8pm

25 ~ \*NO\* Deal

### DECEMBER

2 ~ Christmas Party

## Children's Ministry

### Lessons for November 18, 2018

- **Nursery:** Esther is Brave {Esther 2-9}
- **Kids Time:** The Law Leads Us to the Cross {Romans 3:20b}
- **Big Time:** Apostles Creed {cont.}

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

# Advent

HOPE | LOVE | JOY | PEACE

## December 2nd

Advent Wreath Making {10am}

## December 5th

Potluck, Prayer & Praise {5:30pm}

## December 9th

Women's Retreat Bake Sale

## December 12th

Women's Christmas Coffee & Dessert {7pm}

## December 16th

Christmas Pageant {10am}

## December 24th

Christmas Eve Services  
{3pm, 5pm, 11pm}

## December 25th

Morning Prayer Service {10am}

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