

**MAY 5, 2019**  
**SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION**

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.

**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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## ACCLAMATION & OPENING PRAYER

*Bishop: The Lord will pour out his Spirit upon all flesh,*

**People: And your sons and daughters shall prophesy.**

*Bishop: Your old men shall dream dreams,*

**People: and your young men shall see visions.**

*Bishop: You shall know that the Lord is in the midst of his people,*

**People: that he is the Lord and there is none else.**

*Bishop: And it shall come to pass*

**People: that everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.**

*Bishop: The Lord be with you.*

**People: And with your spirit.**

*Bishop: Let us pray. Almighty God, you gave your only Son to be for us both a sacrifice for sin and an example of godly living: Give us grace thankfully to receive his inestimable benefits, and daily to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

### Come Thou Fount

1 Come Thou fount of every blessing  
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace  
Streams of mercy never ceasing  
Call for songs of loudest praise  
Teach me some melodious sonnet  
Sung by flaming tongues above  
Praise the Mount I'm fixed upon it  
Mount of God's unchanging love

2 Here I raise my Ebenezer  
Hither by Thy help I come  
And I hope, by thy good pleasure  
Safely to arrive at home  
Jesus sought me when a stranger  
Wand'ring from the fold of God  
He to rescue me from danger  
Interposed His precious blood

3 O to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be  
Let Thy grace now like a fetter  
Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee  
Prone to wander Lord I feel it  
Prone to leave the God I love  
Here's my heart O take and seal it  
Seal it for Thy courts above

### 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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## 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

Ephesians 4:17-5:2 (p. 949)

*Leader:* The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

## GOSPEL READING

*Leader:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

John 15:5-17 (p. 876)

*Leader:* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## SERMON

The Rt. Rev. Steven Breedlove

## THE PRESENTATION, EXHORTATION & EXAMINATION

**Presenter:** Right Reverend Father in God, we present these persons to receive the laying on of hands.

*Bishop:* Have they been adequately prepared?

**Presenter:** They have.

*Bishop:* Dearly beloved, it is essential that those who wish to be Confirmed in this Church must publicly confess Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior; become his disciple; know and affirm the Nicene Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments; and have received instruction in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments and the Catechism of the Church. God's grace is imparted in baptism where we are made God's children by adoption and given the Holy Spirit. Through the power of the Spirit, manifested in gifts and fruit, we are enabled to be God's people for the sake of the world.

*Bishop: Now, these candidates here desire publicly to confess their faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and their commitment to follow him as Lord. They also desire the strengthening of grace through the laying on of hands that the Holy Spirit may fill them more and more for their ministry in the Church and in the world.*

*Do you, here in the presence of God and the Church, renew the solemn promises and vows made at your Baptism and commit to keep them?*

**Candidates: I do.**

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

**Candidates: I renounce them.**

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

**Candidates: I renounce them.**

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

**Candidates: I renounce them.**

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

**Candidates: I do.**

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

**Candidates: I do.**

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

**Candidates: I will, the Lord being my helper.**

*Bishop: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?*

**People: We will.**

## **THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT**

*Bishop: Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant. Do you believe in God the Father?*

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

*Bishop: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?*

**People: 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.**

*Bishop: Do you believe in God 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.**

*Bishop: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?*

**People: I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?*

**People: I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?*

**People: I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?*

**People: I will, with God's help.**

*Bishop: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?*

**People: I will, with God's help.**

## **PRAYER & THE LAYING ON OF HANDS**

*Bishop: Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, we ask you to strengthen these your servants for witness and ministry, through the power of your Holy Spirit. Daily increase in them the gift of your grace and the fruit of your Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### **For Confirmation**

*Each confirmand kneels in front of the Bishop. The Bishop, then, laying his hands upon each one prays:*

*Bishop: Defend, O Lord, this your servant [n.] with your heavenly grace, that he may continue yours forever, and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more until he comes into the fullness of your everlasting kingdom.*

**People: Amen.**

### **For Reception**

*Those having made adult professions of faith in other Christian traditions are Received with the laying on of hands as follows:*

*Bishop: [n.], we recognize you as a member of the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church; and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and empower you.*

**People: Amen.**

## **THE PEACE**

*Bishop: The peace of the Lord be always with you.*

**People: And with your spirit.**

## **WELCOME & OFFERING**

## The Table

1 I will feast at the table of the Lord  
I will feast at the table of the Lord  
I won't hunger anymore at His table

*Come all you weary come and find  
His yoke is easy His burden is light  
He is able He will restore  
At the table of the Lord*

2 There is peace at the table of the Lord  
There is peace at the table of the Lord  
I won't worry anymore at His table

3 There is healing at the table of the Lord  
There is healing at the table of the Lord  
Oh and I won't suffer anymore at His table

4 I'm invited to the table of the Lord  
I'm invited to the table of the Lord  
He says come just as you are to His table

I know He has a place for me  
Oh what joy will fill my heart  
With the saints around the mercy seat of 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: The Lord be with you.*

*Leader: Lift up your hearts.*

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

**People: And also with you.**

**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.**

## THE 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.*

## How Deep The Father's Love For Us

1 How deep the Father's love for us  
How vast beyond all measure  
That He should give His only Son  
To make a wretch His treasure  
How great the pain of searing loss  
The Father turns His face away  
As wounds which mar the Chosen One  
Bring many sons to glory

2 Behold the man upon a cross  
My sin upon His shoulders  
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice  
Call out among the scoffers  
It was my sin that held Him there  
Until it was accomplished  
His dying breath has brought me life  
I know that it is finished

3 I will not boast in anything  
No gifts, no power, no wisdom  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ  
His death and resurrection

Why should I gain from His reward  
I cannot give an answer  
But this I know with all my heart  
His wounds have paid my ransom

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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.

## Nothing But The Blood

1 This is all my hope and peace,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
This is all my righteousness,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

2 Now by this I'll overcome  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
Now by this I'll reach my home  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

Oh precious is the flow  
That makes me white as snow  
No other fount I know  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

3 Glory, glory, this I sing  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
All my praise for this I bring  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

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## 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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## 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

*Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; fight the good fight of faith; that you may finish your course with joy; 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*

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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 into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.*  
**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! Yellow connection cards can be found under the seats in the sanctuary. Please fill one out and drop it in the offering basket.

## Connect

The  
**PULSE**  
e-Newsletter

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.



**APOSTLES LINK**

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)



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## Community

Interested in connecting deeper into the community here at Apostles? Consider joining a Community Group! Various community groups meet throughout the week. 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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## Serve

There are several way 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.

## 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  
House of Hope  
Jobs for Life  
JusticeMatters  
Loaves and Fishes Ministry  
Neighbor To Neighbor  
NeighborHealth Center  
North Raleigh Ministries  
YoungLife {Raleigh}  
The Encouraging Place  
Women's Prison Ministry

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**SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE  
BEGINS MAY 26**

**One Service  
10:00am**

# What's Happening at Apostles

**Abiding Prayer | May 8 | 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 | May 8 | 8pm** ~ Men, join us for fun and fellowship the 2nd Wednesday of each month for Trivia Night at Chow Pizza Bar {8311 Creedmoor Road}

**Pub Theology | May 13 | 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.

## This Week

### Sunday, May 5

- Worship Services: 10am
- \*NO\* Sunday School
- Church Cookout {following service}
- NINE1NINE: 6-8pm

### Monday, May 6

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

### Tuesday, May 7

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

### Wednesday, May 8

- Band of Brothers (M): 7-8am (offsite)
- Sleepyheads (M): 7:15-8:15am
- Community HOPE: 5:30-6:30pm
- Abiding Prayer: 7-8pm
- Men's Trivia @ Chow : 8pm

### Thursday, May 9

- Blackwater Group (M): 7-8am (offsite)
- Men's Fraternity (M): 6:45-8am
- Finance Meeting: 8-9:30am
- Community HOPE: 5:30-6:30pm

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(W) - Women | (M) - Men

## Church Wide Cookout

Join us in the fellowship hall after today's service for a church-wide cookout! Everyone is welcome.

## Student Ministry

**5/5 ~ NINE1NINE** | 6-8pm Our last youth group of the year is tonight! Silly games, fellowship and a chance to recognize and celebrate our seniors. Be there!

**5/17 ~ Durham Bulls Game** | \$12 per ticket | Students and families invited!

**Senior Night >>** Tuesday, May 21 | 7-9pm | Class of 2019!

**Wet 'n Wild Emerald Point >>** June 12

**Camp Booyah >>** June 16-21

**High School Mission Trip >>** July 14-19

## Children's Ministry

### Lessons for May 5, 2019

- **Nursery:** Jesus Is Alive {Matthew 28:16-20}
- **Kids Time:** New Strength {Psalm 23:3a}
- **Big Time:** Apostles' Creed {forgiveness of sins}

Apostles ROAR! VBS 2019

June 23 - 27, 2019

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## **2019 Confirmands**

Avery Alexander  
Molly Crutchfield  
Hunt Davis\*  
*{Leadership Council}*  
Logan Elrod  
Bailey Garrison  
Laura Hearn\*  
*{Leadership Council}*  
Grace Koehler  
Aubrey Loftis  
Margaret Lyon  
Gabe Noël  
Asha Patel  
Holt Swecker  
Ivan Tew  
Nancy Vincent

### **Leadership Council Members Being Received:**

Carrie Alspaugh  
Jane Barnes  
Brenda Bateman  
Curt Blazier

***May the grace of God's world, the guidance of His hand and the loving wisdom of His words fill you heart and light your way today and every day.***

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