



## WELCOME

**T**hank you for joining us for worship today. We would love for you to be a regular part of what God is doing in and through this church. If you have any questions please ask one of our greeters or a member of the pastoral staff. To indicate your presence with us, please fill out the form on the back page of this program and place it in the offering plate, or give it to a greeter.

### VISITORS WITH CHILDREN IN THE MORNING SERVICE

Children of all ages are welcome in the worship service.

### INFANT NURSERY

(0-18 months) Please follow signs or ask a greeter.

### TODDLER CLASS

(19-36 months) Please follow signs or ask a greeter.

### PARENTS, PLEASE...

- Sign your children into the nursery and toddler rooms using the sign-in sheets
- Label all personal items
- Pick up your children immediately after the service

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Children 3 to 6 years of age may be dismissed prior to the sermon for age appropriate activities and will return before communion. Of course, children of all ages are welcome to remain in the worship area for the entire service.

### AFTER THE SERVICE

Please join us for refreshments in the cafeteria.

### VISITORS WITH CHILDREN IN THE EVENING SERVICE

A volunteer nursery for children 0-2 years of age is provided. Please follow signs or ask a greeter.

### COMMUNITY GROUPS

In addition to weekly worship, we offer many small groups that meet during the week in the surrounding area. Community Groups are excellent ways to develop genuine relationships with others while providing opportunities to investigate Christianity and get involved in local service projects. For a complete list of Community Groups, please visit our website at [www.parkslopechurch.com](http://www.parkslopechurch.com) or call the church office at 718.369.7972.



## REFLECTION

**F**ind it most true, that the greatest temptation out of hell is to live without temptations. If my waters should stand, they would rot. Faith is the better of the free air, and of the sharp winter storm in its face. Grace withereth without adversity. The devil is but God's master fencer, to teach us to handle our weapons.  
—Samuel Rutherford

**C**ontemporary society and culture so emphasize human potential and human agency and the immediate practical exigencies of the here and now, that we are for the most part tempted to go about our daily business in this world without giving God much thought. Indeed, we are tempted to live as though God did not exist, or at least as if his existence did not practically matter. In short, one of the most insidious temptations rendered uniquely plausible by the ideas and assumptions embedded within modern institutional life, is the temptation to practical atheism.  
—Craig M. Gay, *The Way of the Modern World*

**A**s long as this thought prevails in our minds, that God cares for us, it is the best means of resisting powerful temptations.  
—John Calvin, Commentary on Psalm 25:4



The Lord's Day  
September 20th, 2009

Seventeenth Sunday of Pentecost<sup>1</sup>

**PRELUDE**

**GOD CALLS US**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Minister: O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name,  
**People: make known his deeds among the peoples.**  
 Minister: Sing to him, sing praises to him;  
**People: tell of all his wonderful works.**  
 Minister: Glory in his holy name;  
**People: let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.**  
 Minister: Seek the Lord and his strength;  
**People: seek his presence continually.**  
 Minister: Remember the wonderful works he has done,  
**People: his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,**  
 Minister: O offspring of his servant Abraham,  
**People: children of Jacob, his chosen ones.**  
 Minister: He is the Lord our God;  
**People: his judgments are in all the earth.**  
 Minister: He is mindful of his covenant forever,  
**People: of the word he commanded, for a thousand generations.**  
 --from Psalm 105

Minister: Grace, mercy, and peace  
 from God our Father  
 and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
**People: and also with you.**

**HYMNS**

*Praise My Soul the King of Heaven  
 What E'er My God Ordains Is Right  
 O Day of Rest and Gladness*

<sup>1</sup> The Church has long used symbolic color in its worship. As the dominating colors of God's creation change from season to season, so do the liturgical colors of the Church calendar. The sequence of colors is meant to enhance the celebratory aspect of worship and to teach the Gospel story throughout the year. Green is the color of living things and God's creation and is used during the season of Pentecost to celebrate the growth of the church.



**PRAISE MY SOUL THE KING OF HEAVEN**

Words by Henry Lyte  
 Music by Christopher Miner

Capo I

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;  
 2. Praise Him as sum-mer's flower and we flour-ish  
 3. Frail as  
 To His feet thy tri-bute bring.  
 To our the wind and it dis-tress gone  
 Ran-somed, healed, re-stored, for-giv-en,  
 Praise Him, still the same, for-ev-er,  
 But while mor-tals rise and fall, per-ish  
 Who like me, His and praise should sing?  
 Slow to en-dure, un-swift chang-ing, bless-on  
 God den-ies, and un-der-stand-ing, on  
 Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, Praise the ev-er-last-ing King.  
 Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, Glo-ri-ous in His faith-ful-ness.  
 Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, Praise the high e-ter-nal One  
 Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, Praise the high e-ter-nal One

4. Fatherlike He tends and spares us; Well our feeble frame He Knows. In His hands He gently bears us, Rescues us from all our foes. Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, Widely as His mercy goes. Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, Widely as His mercy goes.	5. Angels help us to adore Him; Ye behold Him face to face; Sun and moon, bow down before Him, Dwellers all in time and space. Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, Praise with us the God of grace. Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, Praise with us the God of grace.	6. Frail as summer's flower we flourish Blows the wind and it is gone But while mortals rise and perish God endures, unchanging on Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, Praise the high eternal One. Praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, praise Him, Praise the high eternal One.
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# WHAT E'ER MY GOD ORDAINS IS RIGHT

Words by Samuel Rodigast  
Music by David Braud

1. What - e'er my God or - dains is right,  
 2. What - e'er my God or - dains is right,  
 3. What - e'er my God or - dains is right,

Ho - ly His will a - bid - eth  
 He nev - er this will cup de - ceive me  
 Though now in Am drink - ing

I will be still what - e'er He does,  
 He leads me by the path,  
 May bit - ter seem to my faint heart,

And I fol - low where He will  
 I know take it all He not un - shrink - ing

He is my God,  
 I take, con - tent,  
 My God is true,

Though dark my road  
 what each He hath a - sent,  
 each morn a new new

He holds me that I shall not fall,  
 His hand can turn yet my shall a - way,  
 Sweet com - fort yet shall my heart,

Where - fore to Him I leave it all  
 And pa - tient - ly I wait His day  
 And pain and sor - row shall de - part



# O DAY OF REST AND GLADNESS

Words by Christopher Wordsworth  
Music by Christopher Miner

1. O day of rest and glad - ness,  
 2. On thee, at the cre - a - tion, O The  
 3. Thou art a port pro - tect - ed From

day of joy and light O On balm of care and sad - ness, Most  
 light first had its birth; thee, for our sal - va - tion, Christ  
 storms that round us rise; A gar - den in - ter - sect - ed With

beau - ti - ful, most bright; On thee the high and low - ly, Through  
 rose from depths of Par - a - dise; Thou art a cool - ing vic - tor - ious The  
 streams of Par - a - dise; Thou art a cool - ing vic - tor - ious In

a - ges joined in tune, Sing Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, most  
 Spir - it dry, sent from heav'n sand; And thus on thee, like Pis - gah's

Ho - ly, To the great God Tri - une  
 glor - i - ous, A We view ple our light was -  
 moun - tain, We view ple our prom - ised giv'n land.

4. Today on weary nations,  
 The heav'nly manna falls:  
 To holy convocations,  
 The silver trumpet calls,  
 Where gospel light is glowing,  
 With pure and radiant beams  
 And living water flowing,  
 With soul refreshing streams.

5. New graces ever gaining,  
 From this our day of rest,  
 We reach the rest remaining,  
 To spirits of the blest.  
 To Holy Ghost be praises,  
 To Father, and to Son;  
 The church her voice upraises,  
 To thee, blest Three in One.



**PRAYER OF ADORATION** *(concluded by the following prayer in unison)*

O God, you summon the day to dawn,  
you teach the morning to waken the earth.  
For you the valleys shall sing for joy,  
the trees of the field shall clap their hands.  
For you the kings of the earth shall bow,  
the poor and the persecuted shall shout for joy.  
Your love and mercy shall last forever,  
fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise.  
Great is your name: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
Great is your love. Amen.

**DOXOLOGY** *(sung in unison)*

All ye who are of tender heart,  
Forgiving others take your part.  
Sing his praises. Alleluia!  
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,  
Praise God and on him cast your care.  
O praise him! O praise him!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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!



**GOD CLEANSSES US**

**CONFESSION OF SIN** *(unison)*

Most merciful God whose Son, Jesus Christ, was tempted in every way, yet was without sin, we confess before you our own sinfulness; we have hungered after that which does not satisfy; we have compromised with evil; we have doubted your power to protect us. Forgive our lack of faith; have mercy on our weakness. Restore in us such trust and love that we may walk in your ways and delight in doing your will. Amen.

**PRIVATE CONFESSION**

**WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT AND DECLARATION OF PARDON**

Minister: Hear the good news! Jesus said: Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

**WORDS OF WELCOME**

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: *And also with you.*

*The people greet one another, followed by news of the church's life.*

**SCRIPTURE LESSON: Psalm 91**

- 1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.
- 2 I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."
- 3 For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence.
- 4 He will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.
- 5 You will not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day, nor the pestilence that stalks in darkness, nor the destruction that wastes at noonday.
- 7 A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you.
- 8 You will only look with your eyes and see the recompense of the wicked.
- 9 Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place—the Most High, who is my refuge—no evil shall be allowed to befall you, no plague come near your tent.
- 11 For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.
- 12 On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.
- 13 You will tread on the lion and the adder; the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.
- 14 "Because he holds fast to me in love, I will deliver him; I will protect him, because he knows my name.
- 15 When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will rescue him and honor him.
- 16 With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation." [ESV]

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**HYMN**

*When I Survey The Wondrous Cross*

*During the hymn children ages 3-3rd grade may be dismissed for Children's Church. They will return prior to communion. (Morning service only.)*



**WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS**

Words by Isaac Watts  
Traditional American Folk Tune

Chords: E A E Esus E B/D#

Women: 1. When I sur-vey the won-drous cross  
2. For-bid it, Lord, that I should boast

Men: 1. When I sur - vey the won-drous cross On which the  
2. For-bid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the

Chords: C#m F#m B B/A G#m A

4 On which the Prince of glo - ry died My rich - est gain  
4 Save in the death of Christ, my God All the vaitthings

Prince death of glo - ry died My rich - est gain I count but  
death of Christ, my God All the vain things thatcharm me

Chords: G#m A E B E Esus

7 I count but loss And pour con - tempt on all my pride  
7 thatcharm me most I sac - ri - fice them to His blood

loss most And pour con - tempt on all my pride  
most I sac - ri - fice them to His blood

3. See from His head,  
His hands, His feet,  
Sorrow and love  
flow mingled down  
Did e'er such love  
and sorrow meet  
Or thorns compose  
so rich a crown

4. Were the whole realm  
of nature mine,  
That were a present  
far too small  
Love so amazing, so divine  
Demands my soul,  
my life, my all



## GOD SPEAKS WITH US

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In the waters of baptism, the church is called to be God's family, to minister to one another and to serve the world. Therefore we pray for ourselves, for one another, and for all those in need of our prayers.

Leader: Jesus the Christ, you refused to turn stones into bread.  
Save us from using our power, however little, to satisfy the demands of selfishness in the face of the greater needs of others.  
For this, O Lord, we pray:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Jesus the Christ, you refused to leap from the temple top.  
Save us from displaying our skills, however modest, to win instant popularity in the face of nobler calls on our abilities.  
For this, O Lord, we pray:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Jesus the Christ, you refused to bend the knee to a false god.  
Save us from offering our devotion, however weak, to cheap or easy religion in the face of the harder path on which you bid us to follow you.  
For this, O Lord, we pray:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader: Jesus the Christ, give us wisdom to discern evil, and in the face of all that is deceptively attractive help us to choose the will of God.  
For this, O Lord, we pray:

**All: Lord, hear our prayer.**

And for what else should we pray?

*Members of the congregation may add their own intercessions at this time, ending with, "For this, O Lord, we pray" and all responding, "Lord, hear our prayer."*



### SCRIPTURE LESSON: Luke 4:1-13

<sup>1</sup> And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness <sup>2</sup> for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, he was hungry. <sup>3</sup> The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." <sup>4</sup> And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone.'" <sup>5</sup> And the devil took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, <sup>6</sup> and said to him, "To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. <sup>7</sup> If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." <sup>8</sup> And Jesus answered him, "It is written,

"You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve."

<sup>9</sup> And he took him to Jerusalem and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, <sup>10</sup> for it is written,

"He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you,'

<sup>11</sup> and

"On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone."

<sup>12</sup> And Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'" <sup>13</sup> And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

*People: Thanks be to God.*



**SERMON**

Pastor Brown

LUKE: The Gospel for Everyone  
**“THE TEMPTATION OF JESUS”**

**CONFESSION OF FAITH:** *The Nicene Creed*

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
 maker of heaven and earth,  
 and of all things visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
 begotten of his Father before all worlds,  
 God of God, Light of Light,  
 very God of very God,  
 begotten, not made; of one substance with the Father.  
 Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
 and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man.  
 He was crucified for us 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 worshipped and glorified;  
 he spoke by the prophets.

And 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.

**OFFERTORY**

*The offering is a way for members and friends of Park Slope Presbyterian Church to support the church's mission and ministry. If you are our guest today, please feel under no compulsion to give.*

*If you would prefer to make your gift online, please visit <https://parkslopechurch.com/giving/> to arrange one-time or recurring donations.*



**GOD STRENGTHENS US**

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & CONSECRATION**

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

People: *We lift them up to the Lord!*

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

Minister: With joy we praise you, gracious God, for you have created heaven and earth, made us in your image, and kept covenant with us— even when we fell into sin. We give you thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord, by whose grace we may triumph over temptation, be more fervent in prayer, and be more generous in love. Therefore we join our voices with all the saints and angels and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of your name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly ho ly, Lord, God of pow'r and might

Hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - sanah in the High - est

Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - nah in the

High - est. Ho - san - nah in the High - est.

*The minister continues this prayer, concluding with the Lord's Prayer in unison (found on the following page).*



## O SACRED HEAD NOW WOUNDED

### THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

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 debts as we forgive our debtors.  
 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.*

Words by Bernard of Clairvaux  
 Trans. by Jaems Alexander  
 Music by Hans Leo Hassler  
 Adapt. by Hans Hassler

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Minister: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of the faith:  
 People: *Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!*

### DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD & THE CUP

Park Slope Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians—those who are trusting in Jesus Christ for salvation and who are members of congregations that proclaim the gospel—to receive the Holy Communion with us.

We will be coming forward to receive the Holy Communion. Those unable to receive Communion (including children who do not yet receive) may cross their hands over their chest and will receive a blessing from the minister (or you may simply stay in your seat). If you cannot receive wine, non-alcoholic grape juice is available in the outer ring of the trays.

### COMMUNION MUSIC (found on the following pages)

*O Sacred Head Now Wounded*  
*The Love of Christ Is Rich and Free*

### SILENT PRAYERS FOR REFLECTION (found on page 20)

5. Forbid that I should leave Thee O Jesus leave not me! By faith I would receive Thee Thy blood can make me free When strength and comfort languish And I must hence depart Release me then from anguish By Thine own wounded heart	6. Be near when I am dying Oh show Thy cross to me And for my succor flying Come Lord and set me free These eyes new faith receiving From Jesus shall not move For he who dies believing Dies safely, through Thy love
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# THE LOVE OF CHRIST IS RICH AND FREE

Words by William Gadsby  
Music by Sandra McCracken

Capo VI

1. The love of Christ is rich and free; Fixed on His will  
 3. Love has re-deemed His sheep with blood; And love will  
 own bring e-ter-nal-ly; Nor Love earth, nor them  
 hell, all can from it death re-move; Long And as love He will  
 lives, fin-ish own all He'll their love-strife.  
 2. His lov-ing heart ev-ery-gated to be scene, Their ev-er-  
 4. He loves through ev-ery chang-ing scene, Nor aught from  
 last Him-ing can Sur-Zi-on-ty; wean; 'Twas Not love all that  
 took wan-derings cause of in her hand, heart And Can love main-  
 tains love it for to her the de-end part. Love



can - not from its post with - draw; Nor  
 death, nor hell, nor sin, nor law, Can  
 turn the Sur - ety's heart a - way; He'll  
 love His own to end - less day. 3. Love has re -  
 5. At death, be - yond the grave, He'll love; In end - less  
 bliss, His own shall prove The blaz - ing  
 glo - ry of that love Which ne - ver  
 could from them re - move. Which ne - ver  
 could from them re - move.



## SILENT PRAYERS FOR REFLECTION

### PRAYER FOR THOSE SEARCHING

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. *Amen.*

### PRAYER OF BELIEF

Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weak and sinful, but through you I am loved and accepted. I thank you for taking my place in death in order to offer me forgiveness and renewal. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and my Lord. *Amen.*

### PRAYER FOR THOSE STRUGGLING WITH SIN

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and faithfully follow you in life. *Amen.*

### PRAYER OF COMMITMENT TO GOD'S PEOPLE

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the steps necessary to be one with your people and live in the fullness of your Spirit. *Amen.*



### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING *(unison)*

Lord, you have put gladness in our hearts; you have satisfied our hunger with good things. In giving all, you have not withheld from us your own dear Son. How can we withhold anything from you, our Lord and our God? Renew us day by day with the gift of your Spirit, that we may give ourselves completely to your service and walk with joy in the footsteps of Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

## GOD COMMISSIONS US

### CLOSING HYMN *(found on the following page)*

*There Is A Redeemer*

### BENEDICTION

Minister: Do not live by bread alone, but by the will of God. May God give the angels charge over you; may their hands bear you up and keep you from falling.

People: *Thanks be to God!*

### POSTLUDE

The pastoral staff and other church leaders are available following the service to pray with you or to answer your questions about the Christian faith or Park Slope Presbyterian Church.



## THERE IS A REDEEMER

by Melody Green



1. There is a Re - deem - er, Je - sus, God's own Son; \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. Je - sus, my Re - deem - er, name a - bove all names. \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. When I stand in glo - ry I will see His face, \_\_\_\_\_



Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes - si - ah, Ho - ly One.  
 Pre - cious Lamb of God, Mes - si - ah, O for sin - ners slain.  
 There I'll serve my King for - ev - er In that ho - ly place.



Thank You, oh, My Fa - ther, for giv - ing us Your Son, \_\_\_\_\_ and



leav - ing Your Spir - it 'til the work on earth is done

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## PSPC ANNOUNCEMENTS

### NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Join us from 9:30 am to 10:15 am for Sunday School classes, designed to help you grow in your understanding and practice of the Christian faith and in your relationships with others in the church. We are currently offering for adults an Introduction to Park Slope Presbyterian class with Brian Steadman, Core Values for Christian Living with Pastor Jamison Galt, and Exodus with Keith Darrell. If you have more questions or need more information, please check out the Sunday School page on our website or contact the church office at [admin@parkslopechurch.com](mailto:admin@parkslopechurch.com)

Please also note that in addition to the Adult classes we always provide contemporaneous nursery for infants and toddlers and age appropriate classes for children up through 6th grade. During this semester, a catechism class will be offered by Pastor Matt for children in 4th grade and above.

### NEWCOMERS' BRUNCH--JOIN US THIS AFTERNOON!

If you are a new visitor or are quickly becoming a regular attender of Park Slope Presbyterian Church, please join us for brunch at 1:00 pm today at the home of the Holloways (801 Union Street). We are looking forward to this opportunity to get to know you better and you us. To RSVP, or if you have any questions, contact the church office at [admin@parkslopechurch.com](mailto:admin@parkslopechurch.com).

### PSPC MOMS' FALL LAUNCH--DATE CHANGE

Our moms' group will begin weekly meetings on *Tuesday, September 22nd*. Join us to connect to and learn from other moms while our kids have fun in their playroom! We will be discussing *Authentic Parenting in a Postmodern Culture: Practical Help for Shaping Your Children's Hearts, Minds, and Souls* by Mary E. DeMuth. If you are a current or expecting mom and are interested in finding out more about our fellowship and support network and/or registering for the fall, please email [judy.kilduff@gmail.com](mailto:judy.kilduff@gmail.com).

### KICKBALL AND A PICNIC IN THE PARK

Join us for afternoon in Prospect Park! Bring a picnic lunch and then get ready to play some kickball. Meet at the Picnic House in Prospect Park at 12:00 noon on Saturday, September 26.

### FINANCIAL UPDATE AS OF 8/31/09

Income To Date --\$358,518  
 Budget to Date--\$348,010



## **BROOKLYN JUBILEE BENEFIT**

Come join us as Brooklyn Jubilee celebrates three years of service by hosting our first benefit concert on October 15, 2009 in Fort Greene, Brooklyn!

This will be a special night of retro-country musical talent from Brooklyn Presbyterian Church's own Steve Elliot and band, with an opening act from Theo Prince. One-of-a-kind prizes will be awarded through a silent auction.

### *When:*

Thursday, Oct. 15, 2009, 7:30 p.m.

### *Where:*

South Oxford Space, 138 S. Oxford Street, Brooklyn NY 11217  
(between Fulton and Atlantic Streets, Fort Greene, near the C train to Lafayette, the G train to Fulton, or any train to Atlantic/Pacific Street in Brooklyn)

### *Who:*

Opening - Theo Prince ([www.myspace.com/weaponno1](http://www.myspace.com/weaponno1))  
Main Act - Steve Elliot ([www.myspace.com/rockemsockemguitarbot](http://www.myspace.com/rockemsockemguitarbot)) and band.

Opportunities to volunteer at this event are still available. If you are interested in volunteering during the concert, or if you would like further info, please contact Michelle at [volunteer@brooklynjubilee.org](mailto:volunteer@brooklynjubilee.org).

## **CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY**

Community Groups are small gatherings designed to foster Christian community and spiritual growth through regular fellowship, prayer, Bible study, and service. They are a principal way we as a church care for one another and our neighbors. If you would like to visit any of our groups, please email the respective leader and request more specific directions and information. Each group meets on a bi-weekly basis unless otherwise noted.

### **PARK SLOPE GROUPS:**

#### **Union St.**

Thursdays, 7:30-9:00, weekly  
Union St. @ 6th Ave.  
Doug Hamilton, [rdhamilton\\_ra@msn.com](mailto:rdhamilton_ra@msn.com)

#### **First St.**

Wednesdays, 7:30-9:30, weekly  
6th Ave. @ 1st St.  
Kris Larsen, [kl29@nyu.edu](mailto:kl29@nyu.edu)

#### **10th St.**

Tuesdays, 7:30-9:00, weekly  
10th St. b/w 8th Ave. and PPW  
Christy Hayner, [christyrae37@hotmail.com](mailto:christyrae37@hotmail.com)

#### **Center Slope**

Thursdays, 7:30-9:30, weekly  
3rd Street b/w 6th and 7th  
Ryan Simms, [rlsimms@gmail.com](mailto:rlsimms@gmail.com)

### **OUTLYING NEIGHBORHOODS GROUPS:**

#### **Prospect Heights**

Wednesdays, 7:30-9:30, weekly  
Dean St. and Carlton Ave.  
Ping Moy, [themoy@aol.com](mailto:themoy@aol.com)

#### **Windsor Terrace**

Sundays, 3:00-4:30  
Seeley St. & 20th St.  
Frank Sills, [francissills@juno.com](mailto:francissills@juno.com)

#### **Kensington**

Wednesdays, 7:30-9:00  
Ocean Pkwy & Caton Pl.  
John Adamek, [skadamek@gmail.com](mailto:skadamek@gmail.com)

#### **Ft. Greene**

Tuesdays, 7:00-9:00, weekly  
South Oxford b/w Fulton and Atlantic  
Jeff Newell, [jdnewell@juno.com](mailto:jdnewell@juno.com)

#### **Carroll Gardens**

Thursdays, 8:00-9:30, weekly  
3rd Place b/w Clinton St. & Court St.  
Andy Nigro, [its\\_nigro@yahoo.com](mailto:its_nigro@yahoo.com)

#### **Clinton Hill**

Tuesdays, 7:30-9:00, weekly  
Classon Ave & Lexington Ave.  
Richard Vernon, [richard.vernon@gmail.com](mailto:richard.vernon@gmail.com)

#### **Dumbo**

Sundays, 5:00-7:00, weekly  
Water St. & Adams St.  
Tim Kline, [TKline@cravath.com](mailto:TKline@cravath.com)

#### **Bay Ridge**

Thursdays, 7:00-8:30, weekly  
Madeleine Ct. off 68th St.  
b/w 3rd Ave. and Ridge Blvd.  
Amy Bowser, [amyann106@yahoo.com](mailto:amyann106@yahoo.com)



## COMMUNITY MINISTRIES HIGHLIGHT

**Contact:** Brian Steadman, [briansteadman@parkslopechurch.com](mailto:briansteadman@parkslopechurch.com)

We believe that it is important for us to be a church not just in the Park Slope neighborhood but a church for the neighborhood as well. Anywhere there is a need – whether that be a lack of adequate housing, a lack of caring relationships with others, a lack of food, a lack of adequate preparation or English language skills, a lack of beauty or usefulness on an empty lot – is a lack of shalom. Shalom exists when all of God’s creation perfectly flourishes under his good and gracious rule. For humanity, that means that every man and woman has all that they need to enjoy God’s blessings and live as God designed them after his own image. The Bible teaches us that God is grieved over the lack of shalom on earth. Furthermore, He is acting to remedy this situation. Therefore, it is our conviction as a church that we too should be grieved wherever shalom is violated and should play our part in bringing God’s wholeness and peace to bear on our communities.

Our Community Service Ministries exist to help bring God’s healing to our neighborhood and therefore works with church members, primarily through our Community Groups, to assist them in engaging the needs of Park Slope. In most cases, Park Slope Church reaches out to neighborhood organizations already ministering in the neighborhood who are in need of volunteer support, and then connects our members with those organizations. If you are looking for an opportunity in your neighborhood to get involved, here are some suggestions:

1. Join your local Park Slope Presbyterian Community Group and plug into the community service project they have chosen for their group.
2. Browse the list of community services that our church has partnered with in the past or has some degree of contact. You can find that list on our church website ([parkslopechurch.com](http://parkslopechurch.com)) under the “Serve” tab.
3. Hit the pavement and do your own research as to where there are needs in your neighborhood, find out how you may step into that need, and bring others with you.
4. Contact our church’s Community Services Coordinator, Brian Steadman, at [briansteadman@parkslopechurch.com](mailto:briansteadman@parkslopechurch.com).

We want to be a church, that if for some reason we ceased to exist tomorrow, our neighborhood would miss us. Thankfully, that responsibility doesn’t rest on any one person alone, but requires all of us doing our part together, utilizing our gifts and talents corporately. But at the same time, we as a church can not play our part to it’s fullest if you are not involved. Please prayerfully consider how and where you can serve Brooklyn.



## CONTACTS AND STAFF

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## ELDERS

Park Slope Presbyterian Church is a mission church of the Metro New York Presbytery and is granted oversight by a temporary session of the Presbytery. The members of the session are the Rev. Craig Higgins, the Rev. David Bisgrove, Kirk Balzer and Phil Petronis.

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## THANK YOU TO OUR WORSHIP OPERATIONS & CHILDREN’S MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

### \*Growth by Megan Prince

Born in California, raised in eastern Washington, Megan moved from Seattle to Brooklyn to attend Brooklyn College, CUNY for her MFA (2008). Prior to New York Prince received a BFA, Painting and a BA, Interdisciplinary Visual Arts from University of Washington. Following graduation she founded FAC (Fine Art Community) to help artists gain confidence and insight in their work. A prolific mixed media artist, Prince was included in eight New York exhibitions in the last year, by mature and emerging curators alike, and has been awarded several grants and fellowships. She is currently a studio fellow with EFA in Midtown.



**SERMON SERIES:**  
**The Season After Pentecost**

**PSALMS: A Primer on Prayer**

SEPT	20	20 Pentecost	Luke 4:1-15 "Temptation of Jesus"
	27	21 Pentecost	Luke 4:16-30 "The Scandal of Jesus"

**COMMUNITY GROUP SERVING NEXT SUNDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 27th:**  
Center Slope

*September/October:*  
October 4- Prospect Heights & Dumbo  
October 11- Union St  
October 18- Kensington  
October 25- Bay Ridge

**PRAYER TEAM VOLUNTEERS**  
Janice Liao and Keith Darrell

**SOUND VOLUNTEER**  
Jeff Newell



**DAILY WORSHIP RESOURCES**

Please use your bulletin as a personal, family or group worship resource for prayers, hymns and readings this week. The scripture readings below are part of a two-year cycle that will take you through the Old Testament once, the New Testament twice and the Psalms frequently.

**PROPER 20**

**SUNDAY**

Evening: Psalm 34 Luke 3:7-18

**MONDAY**

Morning: Psalm 80 2 Kings 5:1-19 1 Corinthians 4:8-21  
Evening: Psalm 77 Matthew 5:21-26

**TUESDAY**

Morning: Psalm 78:1-39 2 Kings 5:19-27 1 Corinthians 5:1-8  
Evening: Psalm 78:40-72 Matthew 5:27-37

**WEDNESDAY**

Morning: Psalm 119:97-120 2 Kings 6:1-23 1 Corinthians 5:9-6:8  
Evening: Psalm 81, 82 Matthew 5:38-48

**THURSDAY**

Morning: Psalm 146 2 Kings 9:1-16 1 Corinthians 6:12-20  
Evening: Psalm 81 Matthew 6:1-6,16-18

**FRIDAY**

Morning: Psalm 88 2 Kings 9:17-37 1 Corinthians 7:1-9  
Evening: Psalm 91, 92 Matthew 6:7-15

**SATURDAY**

Morning: Psalm 87, 90 2 Kings 11:1-20a 1 Corinthians 7:10-24  
Evening: Psalm 136 Matthew 6:19-24

**SUNDAY**

Morning: Psalm 66, 67 2 Kings 17:1-18 Acts 9:36-43

**PRAYER FOR THE WEEK**

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things which are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH**

**Andy Warren [Beverly], Addis, Ethiopia**



**CONTACT INFORMATION**

Please use this page to indicate your presence with us or to make us aware of any changes in your contact information.

- Visitor
- Second Time Visitor
- Regular Attendee
- Member

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Children (Ages):  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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If you have concerns for which you'd like us to pray, please write them in the space below and submit them in the offering collection.

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 Sundays, 10:30 am

*Evening Worship Location:*  
 Living Hope Methodist Church  
 120 16th Street, b/w 4th and 5th Aves.  
 Brooklyn, NY 11215  
 Sundays, 5:30 pm

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