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*Through Jesus Christ*  
**NOVEMBER 16, 2014**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**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**

**Praise To The Lord The Almighty**

1 Praise to the Lord the Almighty  
The King of creation  
O my soul praise Him  
For He is thy health and salvation  
All ye who hear now to His temple draw near  
Praise Him in glad adoration

2 Praise to the Lord Who over all things  
So wondrously reigneth  
Shelters thee under His wings  
Yea so gently sustaineth  
Hast thou not seen  
How thy desires ever have been  
Granted in what He ordaineth

3 Praise to the Lord Who doth prosper  
Thy work and defend thee  
Surely His goodness and mercy  
Here daily attend thee  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do  
If with His love He befriend thee

4 Praise to the Lord Who  
When darkness of sin is abounding  
Who when the godless do triumph  
All virtue confounding  
Sheddeth His light chaseth the horrors of night  
Saints with His mercy surrounding

5 Praise to the Lord  
O let all that is in me adore Him  
All that hath life and breath  
Come now with praises before Him  
Let the amen sound from His people again  
Gladly for all we adore Him

CCLI Song # 43073 Catherine Winkworth | Joachim Neander

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## How Great Is Your Faithfulness

*The heavens ring  
The saints all sing  
Great is Your faithfulness  
From age to age we will proclaim  
Great is Your faithfulness  
How great is Your faithfulness*

1 Now unto the King who reigns over all  
And never changes or turns  
Unfailing justice unfading grace  
Whose promises remain  
Yes Your promises remain

2 Ev'rything changes but You stay the same  
Your Word and kingdom endure  
We lean on the promise of all that You are  
And trust forevermore  
We will trust forevermore

(Bridge)  
From generation to generation  
You never failed us O God  
Yesterday and today and tomorrow  
Until the day You return

CCLI Song # 5557055  
Jonas Myrin | Matt Redman

*At this time, children 4k-2nd grade are invited to go to Kids Time. Kids Time is a dynamic worship service that caters to younger children and prepares them to participate in the main worship service. The children will return prior to Communion.*

## Beautiful

1 I see Your face in ev'ry sunrise  
The colors of the morning are inside Your eyes  
The world awakens in the light of the day  
I look up to the sky and say  
You're beautiful

2 I see Your power in the moonlit night  
Where planets are in motion  
And galaxies are bright  
We are amazed in the light of the stars  
It's all proclaiming who You are  
You're beautiful

*Oh, oh, You're beautiful*

3 I see You there hanging on a tree  
You bled and then You died  
And then You rose again for me  
Now You are sitting on Your heavenly throne  
Soon we will be coming home  
You're beautiful

*Oh, oh You're beautiful*

4 When we arrive at eternity's shore  
Where death is just a memory  
And tears are no more  
We'll enter in as the wedding bells ring  
Your bride will come together  
And we'll sing  
You're beautiful

*Oh, oh You're beautiful*

Bridge:  
I see Your face You're beautiful  
You're beautiful You're beautiful  
I see Your face You're beautiful  
You're beautiful You're beautiful

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## SCRIPTURE READING

### Gospel Reading

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

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

Luke 7:36-50 (p. 731)

*Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.*

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

### MESSAGE

#### Sermon Series:

#### Crossing Paths with Jesus

*"What Kind of Woman..."*

The Rev. Patrick Dominguez

(There is a space for sermon notes on page 9.)

*For your convenience, there are sound speakers available in the Lobby and in the BabyBeams nursery cry room that allow you to hear the service if you have a child who is crying or needs to be fed.*

#### Sermon Notes

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## 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: Heavenly Father, we pray for the church in Rwanda, in our nation and in every nation of the world.*

**People: Lead us to go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that you have commanded.**

*Leader: We pray for our elected leaders, that they would make laws that are just, helping the poor and powerless in the world.*

**People: O Lord, defend the cause of the weak and fatherless; maintain the rights of the poor and oppressed.**

*Leader: Father, we pray for those in your church throughout the world who face suffering and all kinds of trials.*

**People: Give grace to all who participate in the sufferings of Christ, that we may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed.**

*Leader: We pray for our mission partner Gateway Ministry as they minister to women and men who find themselves in unplanned pregnancies.*

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

*Leader: O Lord, you have pursued each of us when we were separated from you in order to bring us near to you through Christ.*

**People: Involve us in your pursuit of those who do not know your gracious and compassionate love.**

*Leader: Lord, you are near to all who call on you. Hear us now as we lift up our needs to you. (You're invited to add your own intercessions, either silently or aloud.)*

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## CONFESSION OF SIN (said together)

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

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father: We have sinned against you, through our own fault, in thought, and word, and deed, and in what we have left undone. For the sake of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us all our offenses; and grant that we may serve you in newness of life, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Leader: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.\**

*\*The absolution of sin is to be pronounced by a priest who symbolically stands in the authority of God to forgive the sins of those who truly repent (Matthew 16:19, John 20:23).*

*Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you;*

**People: And also with you.**

## WELCOME and OFFERING

### Alabaster

1 I am broken at Your feet  
Like an alabaster jar  
Ev'ry piece of who I am  
Laid before Your majesty

*I will bow my life  
At Your feet at Your feet  
My lips so lost for words will kiss Your feet  
Kiss Your feet*

2 Oh the gravity of You  
Draws my soul unto its knees  
I will never be the same  
I am lost and found in You

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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.**

## 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**

*Unable to come forward? Please inform an usher to request that Communion be brought to you.  
Gluten-free wafers available upon request.*

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## 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.*

### **Just As I Am**

1 Just as I am without one plea  
But that Thy Blood was shed for me  
And that Thou bid'st me come to Thee  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come

2 Just as I am and waiting not  
To rid my soul of one dark blot  
To Thee Whose Blood can cleanse each spot  
O Lamb of God I come, I come  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come

3 Just as I am Thou will receive  
Will welcome pardon cleanse relieve  
Because Thy Promise I believe  
O Lamb of God I come, I come  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come

4 Just as I am though tossed about  
With many a conflict many doubt  
Fightings and fears within without  
O Lamb of God I come I come  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come

5 Just as I am Thy Love unknown  
Hath broken ev'ry barrier down  
Now to be Thine yes Thine alone  
O Lamb of God I come I come  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come

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Charlotte Elliott | William Batchelder Bradbury  
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## Hallelujah What A Savior

*Hallelujah hallelujah  
Hallelujah Hallelujah*

1 Man of sorrows what a name  
For the Son of God Who came  
Ruined sinners to reclaim  
Hallelujah what a Savior

2 Bearing shame and scoffing rude  
In my place condemned He stood  
Sealed my pardon with His Blood  
Hallelujah what a Savior

3 Lifted up was He to die  
It is finished was His Cry  
Now in Heav'n exalted high  
Hallelujah what a Savior

4 When He comes our Glorious King  
All His ransomed home to bring  
Then anew this song we'll sing  
Hallelujah what a Savior

CCLI Song # 5065729  
Philip Paul Bliss | Tommy Walker

## 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*

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

(REPEAT)

CCLI Song # 6460220  
David Leonard | Jason Ingram | Leslie Jordan

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (said together)

**Almighty and ever-living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.**

## BENEDICTION

*May the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus; and may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you, now and forever. Amen.*



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## O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

1 O love that will not let me go  
I rest my weary soul in Thee  
I give Thee back the life I owe  
That in Thine ocean depths it's flow  
May richer fuller be

2 O light that followest all my way  
I yield my flickering torch to Thee  
My heart restores its borrowed ray  
That in Thy sunshine's blaze it's day  
May brighter fairer be

### DISMISSAL

*Leader: Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord.*

**People: Thanks be to God!**

3 O Joy that seekest me through pain  
I cannot close my heart to Thee  
I trace the rainbow through the rain  
And feel the promise is not vain  
That morn shall tearless be

4 O cross that liftest up my head  
I dare not ask to fly from Thee  
I lay in dust life's glory dead  
And from the ground there blossoms red  
Life that shall endless be

CCLI Song # 40502 Albert Lister Peace | George Matheson  
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### Sermon Notes

## Welcome Visitors and Newcomers...

We are glad you are worshiping 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 the yellow card under the chair in front of you .

**Discovering Apostles Membership Class**—This class includes teaching about Church of the Apostles and information about becoming a member. Our next class will be held January 10 from 9am-12noon. *If you have any questions, please contact Marsha at 782-0550 x29 or [marsha@apostles-raleigh.org](mailto:marsha@apostles-raleigh.org).*

**Join A Community Group**—Are you interested in connecting deeper into the community here at Apostles? Do you desire to have relationships in the church that go deeper than surface level conversations? Join a Community Group! *Please contact Lee Hilts ([lee@apostles-raleigh.org](mailto:lee@apostles-raleigh.org)).*

**The Pulse Email Newsletter**—If you would like to receive our weekly email newsletter with updates and announcements about what is going on at Apostles, simply fill out the yellow card under the seat in front of you with your email and drop it in the offering basket.

**PEARUSA eNewsletter** You can sign up for email updates about PEARUSA, the church movement of which Apostles is a vital part. Simply go to [www.pearusa.org/newsletter-sign-up](http://www.pearusa.org/newsletter-sign-up) and enter your email address.

**ApostlesLink.org**—Are you a member or involved in the life of Apostles? Join our online communication tool: Apostles Link. *To get a login, email Julie at [julie@apostles-raleigh.org](mailto:julie@apostles-raleigh.org).*

**The Ebenezer: Apostles' Blog**—Would you like to hear stories about how the Lord is working in and through the people and ministries of Apostles? Check out our blog! [www.apostles-raleigh.org/blog/](http://www.apostles-raleigh.org/blog/)

### This Week at Apostles

*The following are some events taking place at Apostles. For more info, please visit our website.*

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

Worship Services—8:30am & 11:00am  
Sunday School—10-10:50am

#### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17

Women in the Word (Women)—7-9pm: 201

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

Tuesdays at Noon (Women)—12-1:30pm: 201  
Prayer—2-4pm: Sanctuary  
Advent Choir Practice—6:30-8:30pm

#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Sleepyheads (Men)—7:15-8:15am: 208  
Growing in Grace (Women)—9:30-11:30am  
Leadership Council Meeting—7-9pm

#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Men's Fraternity (Men)—6:30-8am

### PRIDE FOR PARENTS ADVENT/CHRISTMAS MISSION

**DONATE:** Please bring a new, unwrapped toy or article of clothing for the Pride for Parents Christmas Store. Pride for Parents is a ministry that provides new toys and clothes for local low-income parents to purchase at a reduced cost. Beginning Sunday, November 23, there will be a drop off box in the church lobby for your donation.

The Pride for Parents Store prefers to have small number of higher priced items, rather than many lower priced items. Feel free to purchase a gift with another family or with your Community Group. Educational, creative, and non-violent gifts are great items to consider. If you'd like to buy a bike, please get one that is size 16" to 20". You can also simply donate money by writing checks to "The Encouraging Place" with "Pride For Parents" on the memo line (please do *not* make checks out to Church of the Apostles). Please leave price tags on gifts to help facilitate store staff in pricing items.

**VOLUNTEER:** We also need volunteers to help run the store on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from December 8-20. The Encouraging Place, one of our ministry partners, is helping bring back the Pride for Parents Christmas Store. *The volunteer coordinator is Spencer Daniel and she can be reached at [pride4parents@gmail.com](mailto:pride4parents@gmail.com) or leave a message at 919-438-0727.*

## Apostles Children's Ministry

**Kids Time**—This week we continue our study of the Old Testament with the story of God speaking through Jeremiah.

**Big Time**—Introduction to the Prophets: What is a Prophet? Who were the Prophets? How did the Prophets point to Jesus?

#### Sunday School

**PreK and Kindergarten:** Another Sad Day (Israel's Rebellion and Exile)

**1st and 2nd Grade:** Art Day!

**3rd Grade:** Uncommon stories from the Old Testament

**4th and 5th Grade:** We're continuing our Inductive Bible Study of the Old Testament passages we chose in September.

**Mission Focus**—Operation Christmas Child boxes are due TODAY! If you forgot your box, you may bring it tomorrow, Nov 17. Any boxes not returned by the 17th must be dropped off at Trinity Baptist Church, our closest official Drop-Off point.

**Advent Choir**- The children's advent choir will be practicing 5:30-6:15 every Thursday until December 9 (except Thanksgiving week). There's still time to join! Open to kids PreK and up.

**Children's Ministry Newsletter**—This once/month newsletter has all the lessons for the month, upcoming dates to note, important announcements, and encouragement for child discipleship in your home. Don't receive it? *Email [robin@apostles-raleigh.org](mailto:robin@apostles-raleigh.org) to be added to the list.*

## *How to get involved at Apostles...*

**The Vine—Apostles 20s/30s Community**—Contact [curt@apostles-raleigh.org](mailto:curt@apostles-raleigh.org)

**Want to join a Community Group?**—Contact [lee@apostles-raleigh.org](mailto:lee@apostles-raleigh.org)

**Women's Bible Studies**—<http://apostles-raleigh.org/womens-community-groups/>

**Men's Bible Studies**—<http://apostles-raleigh.org/mens-community-groups/>

**Adult Sunday School Classes**—<http://apostles-raleigh.org/adult-sunday-school/>

## October Financial Update

*For July 1, 2014—October 31, 2014*

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|------------------------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|
| Budgeted contributions | \$483,000 | Actual contributions | \$436,379 |
| Budgeted expenses      | \$567,151 | Actual expenses      | \$545,149 |

*Freedom for Mission*, our debt-reduction fund, has received \$7,105 during October and \$357,445 since its inception in April 2010.

Thank you for your generosity and stewardship! We continue to keep our expenses down. Please, however, lift our finances in prayer as a large part of our budgeted contributions are received in the months of November and December.

## *Women's Christmas Tea—December 10*

Ladies, save the date - Wednesday, December 10th 10:00-11:30am will be our annual Women's Christmas Tea. This is a wonderful break from the bustle of the holidays with space to enjoy treats, live music and great conversations. This event is for women of Church of the Apostles and Redeemer Anglican Church to attend and bring a guest who may not be connected with a church. Mark your calendar now before it gets full!

## **Sara Groves Christmas Concert—December 14**

On Sunday, December 14 at 7pm, Church of the Apostles will host 7-time Dove Award nominated Christian musical artist Sara Groves. The concert will take place in the Sanctuary here at Church of the Apostles. Our own Jonathan and Amanda Noël will also be playing a few of their songs.

We have a set amount of tickets for families and guests of Church of the Apostles and Holy Trinity Church, but this concert is also open to the general public, so buy your tickets now! Around Thanksgiving we will make all remaining tickets available to the public.

*Tickets are on sale on our website: <http://apostles-raleigh.org/calendar/>*

## **Celebration for Curt Solomon—Save the Date: December 22**

As Curt Solomon has moved from serving as the Director of Student Ministries for over 10 years, to his new(ish) role as Assistant Pastor, we want to celebrate his time serving the students at Apostles. Former students, current students, families of former/current students, and former/current Student Ministry volunteers, please stop by for an open house on Monday, December 22, from 4-7pm at Bonnie McAdams' house (700 Marlowe Road). If you have contact with former students, please let them know these plans!

## **Apostles Student Ministry**

**10:00 Hour and The Deal** are both on this week! Helen Pettiford will be our guest speaker at our High School *Foundations* Class.

**High School Small Groups** meet as usual!

**Middle School Event TONIGHT**— Dinner at Moe's at North Hills from 5:30-7.

**November 16** we begin our "Push The Envelope" Fundraiser!

**FALL CAMP** is next weekend Nov 21-23 at Camp Oak Hill! Camp is almost full- please sign up ASAP and email Kara for more details!  
<http://apostles-raleigh.org/students/>

**Saturday, December 6 and 13**, from 2-4pm COTA is volunteering at Shepherd's Way Christmas Tree Farm - please contact [kara@apostles-raleigh.org](mailto:kara@apostles-raleigh.org) to sign up to help or for more info!

## ***Welcome to Church of the Apostles***

We pray that you know God's presence as you worship with us today. The words to the songs and the order of service are printed in this bulletin.

*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.

Please fill out a yellow Connection Card found under the seat in front of you and place it in the offering basket when it comes around. We invite you to use the card to inform us of any prayer requests or questions about Church of the Apostles.

Please do not feel obligated to participate in the offering. While our members and regular attendees will be participating, we do not want you to feel that it is required of you. Thank you for joining us today.

### **Apostles Church Staff**

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