

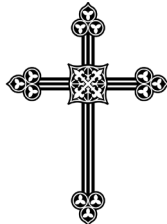
THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 25, 2021



OUR MISSION

To bring by the power of the Holy Spirit as many people as possible to know, love, and serve God as revealed through Jesus Christ; and to be transformed into spiritually renewed disciples of Jesus who know, love and serve one another and the world.



ST. MARTIN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

FROM THE RECTOR

IN THE NAME OF OUR LORD,
JESUS CHRIST, WELCOME.

Jesus' first words to His earliest disciples were very simple, *"Come, follow Me..."* (Matthew 4:19) It was a gentle invitation to take seriously the wonderful journey of faith found in Christ. For more than 2,000 years, people of all ages have responded to that invitation through a personal decision to follow Jesus Christ in a community of prayer, study and service. St. Martin's is just such a place.

St. Martin's is a member Church in the Diocese of Texas, The Episcopal Church in the United States of America and the greater worldwide Anglican Communion consisting of more than 77 million people. Our Parish Church considers it a tremendous honor to be a place where men, women, youth and children can grow in their personal relationship with our Lord, come to know and use their own spiritual gifts, and discover a personal ministry to be expressed both in the Church, the greater Houston area and beyond.

I want to personally invite you to participate in our worship services and as many of our activities and ministries as your own commitments and time will allow.



The Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson, Jr., Rector

Prayers Before Worship

O Lord, we thank You that You have called us as members of Your family into this beautiful house of God. Grant that here we may feel Your presence and the beauty of Your peace, and that, as we return to our homes and work, we may sense Your guiding hand and loving care and be used in the service of our neighbors, our nation and the world, and all You send our way, through Him Who came not to condemn the world but to save it, Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. ***Amen.***

Heavenly Father, we thank You for Your provision for our church family, especially the resources we need to expand and develop our church campus in order to further the work of Your Gospel in this place. Give us strength and grace as the construction takes place, that it would go as You will, for Your purposes and Your kingdom. Bless and keep safe all those who labor on our behalf. All this we ask through the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. ***Amen.***

NOTICE: St. Martin's is a gun-free campus.



ADULTS

SUNDAY, JULY 25

Basic Bible Study with the Rev. Dr. Suse E. McBay, Ph.D.

Being the Body: Submission

10:15–10:45 a.m. | Bagby Parish Hall



Part of being a Christian is being called into community with others. It is part of how we spiritually grow and help others to do so, and part of our witness to a world as we share God's love. As we come back physically together as a church, our summer series will look at why our call to community is foundational, how we're called to it and how God might want to shape us in in our communities to reflect his love and glory. We will draw from the book, *Called to Community*, a collection of 52 writings about how we might live a shared life in Christ more fully.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 28

Wednesday Bible Study Series with the Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson, Jr.

Growing in Grace: Evangelism and Mission

Distributed Wednesdays via email with links to Facebook and YouTube



We speak a great deal about the life of grace, and God's mercy, forgiveness and salvation "by grace." Yet what does it mean to "grow in grace" as the good Apostle Peter counseled the early Christians? (II Peter 3:18) For 10 weeks, we will explore some key Christian beliefs, as well as various Christian disciplines, as one avenue of growing into a mature faith in Christ. Please see the announcements in this worship guide for more information and registration information about this series.

For more information about Adult Christian Education,
email Katwana Coleman at kcoleman@stmartinespicopal.org.

CHILDREN

SUNDAY, JULY 25

Children's Sunday School

10:15–10:45 a.m. | Activity Center



Children's Ministry has engaging lessons, curriculum and content for both preschool and elementary school.



Childcare is available during all morning services for infants through four-year-olds in The Children's Life Center.

For more information about Children's Ministry, email Holli Kight at hkight@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

7-1-7 STUDENTS

SUNDAY, JULY 25

Episcopal Youth Community

10:15–10:45 a.m. | Student Life Center



Join us for coffee, donuts and conversation on today's scripture readings.

For more information about 7-1-7 Students, email Student Ministries at students@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

HOLY EUCHARIST

Holy Eucharist at 8 a.m. is a spoken service. Musical pieces in this booklet will be skipped or replaced by spoken liturgy, as noted.

VOLUNTARY "Prayer"

John Ireland

The Celebrant greets the People. Following the greeting, all stand.

HYMN 321 "My God, Thy Table Now Is Spread"

St. Martin's Parish Choir

1 My God, thy ta - ble now is spread, thy cup with
 2 O let thy ta - ble hon - ored be, and fur - nished
 3 Drawn by thy quick - ening grace, O Lord, in coun - tress
 4 Nor let thy spread - ing Gos - pel rest till through the

love doth o - ver - flow; be all thy chil - dren
 well with joy - ful guests; and may each soul sal -
 num - bers let them come and gath - er from their
 world thy truth has run, till with this Bread shall

thith - er led, and let them thy sweet mer - cies know.
 va - tion see, that here its sa - cred pledg - es tastes.
 Fa - ther's board the Bread that lives be - yond the tomb.
 all be blessed who see the light or feel the sun.

Words: Strs. 1–3, Philip Doddridge (1702–1751), alt.; st. 4, Isaac Watts (1674–1748), alt.; Music: Rockingham, melody from Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature, ca. 1780; adapt. Edward Miller (1731–1807); harm. Samuel Webbe (1740–1816).

Begin on page 323 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP)

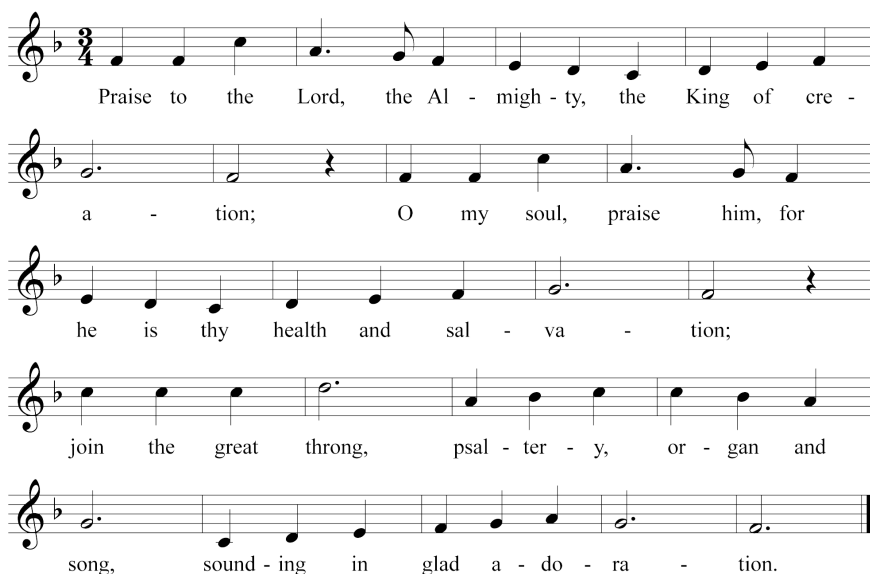
Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.**
Amen.

The Celebrant says

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

GLORIA (*said at 8 a.m.; sung at 9 and 11:15 a.m.*)



Praise to the Lord, the Al - migh - ty, the King of cre -
a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for
he is thy health and sal - va - tion;
join the great throng, psal - ter - y, or - gan and
song, sound - ing in glad a - do - ra - tion.

Words: Joachim Neander (1650–1680); tr. Hymnal 1940, alt.; Music: *Lobe den Herren*, melody from *Erneuerten Gesangbuch*, 1665; harm. *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (*BCP p. 230*)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us pray. (*kneel*)

The Celebrant says the Collect

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE LESSON 2 Samuel 11:1–17

In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him; they ravaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem. It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, "This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite." So David sent messengers to get her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her period.) Then she returned to her house. The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, "I am pregnant." So David sent word to Joab, "Send me Uriah the Hittite." And Joab sent Uriah to David. When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab and the people fared, and how the war was going. Then David said to Uriah, "Go down to your house, and wash your feet." Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. But Uriah slept at the entrance of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. When they told David, "Uriah did not go down to his house," David said to Uriah, "You have just come

from a journey. Why did you not go down to your house?" Uriah said to David, "The ark and Israel and Judah remain in booths; and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field; shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do such a thing." Then David said to Uriah, "Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back." So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day. On the next day, David invited him to eat and drink in his presence and made him drunk; and in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house. In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. In the letter he wrote, "Set Uriah in the forefront of the hardest fighting, and then draw back from him, so that he may be struck down and die." As Joab was besieging the city, he assigned Uriah to the place where he knew there were valiant warriors. The men of the city came out and fought with Joab; and some of the servants of David among the people fell. Uriah the Hittite was killed as well.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

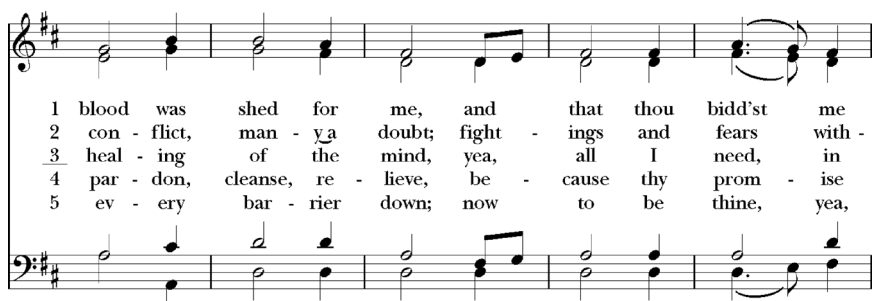
People: Thanks be to God.

All stand.

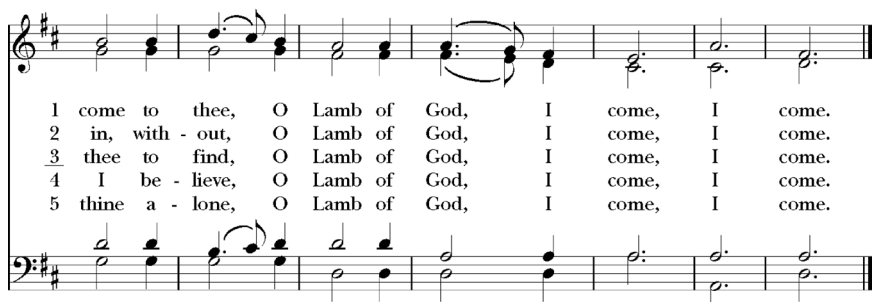
HYMN 693 (vs. 1-2)..... "Just as I Am"



1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, but that thy
 2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - ya
 * 3 Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; sight, rich - es,
 4 Just as I am: thou wilt re - ceive; wilt wel - come,
 5 Just as I am, thy love un - known has bro - ken



1 blood was shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me
 2 con - flict, man - ya doubt; fight - ings and fears with -
 3 heal - ing of the mind, yea, all I need, in
 4 par - don, cleanse, re - lieve, be - cause thy prom - ise
 5 ev - ery bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea,



1 come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 2 in, with - out, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
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 4 I be - lieve, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 5 thine a - lone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6 Just as I am, of thy great love
 the breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,
 here for a season, then above:
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Words: Charlotte Elliott (1789-1871); Music: Woodworth, William Batchelder Bradbury (1816-1868).

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

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

THE GOSPELJohn 6:1–21

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said

to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

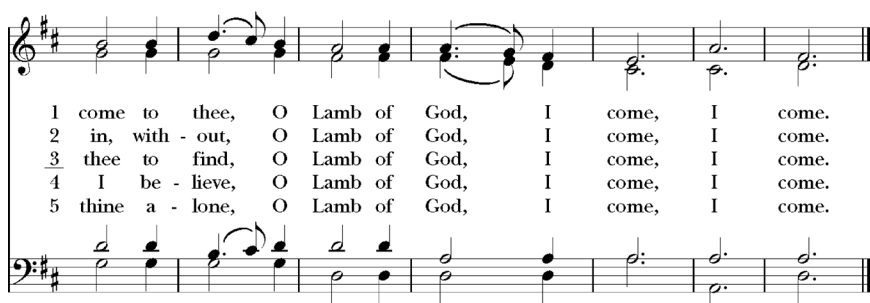
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Please be seated.

THE SERMON
“Being in the Right Place at the Right Time”
The Rev. Jane P. Ferguson

THE NICENE CREED (*BCP p. 327*)

Celebrant and People

I believe in one God,
 the Father Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth,
 and of all things visible and invisible;
And 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,
 being of one substance with the Father;
 by whom all things were made;
 who for us men and for our salvation
 came down from heaven,
 and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the
 Virgin Mary,
 and was made man;
 and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
 he suffered and was buried;
 and the third day he rose again according to
 the Scriptures,
 and ascended into heaven,
 and sitteth on the right hand of the Father,
 and he shall come again, with glory,
 to judge both the quick and the dead;
 whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life,
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together
is worshiped
and glorified;
who spake by the Prophets.
And I believe one holy catholic and
apostolic Church;
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission
of sins;
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (*BCP p. 387,
Form III*) (*kneel*)

Minister and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for thy holy catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and
humbly serve thee;
That thy Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for our Anglican Communion; for the Archbishop
of Canterbury, Justin; for our Presiding Bishop, Michael;
for our Bishops, Andy, Jeff, Kai and Hector; for all bishops,
priests and deacons;
**That they may be faithful ministers of thy Word
and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the
nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do thy will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in thy sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise thee for thy saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in thy heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

For Joe, our President, Greg, our Governor, Lina, our Commissioner, Sylvester, our Mayor, and our legislative and judicial bodies of the country; for all who serve in our armed forces and their families; for persecuted Christians; for victims of terror attacks; for an end to war and conflict; for victims of natural disasters; for first responders; for those suffering from the effects of the Coronavirus; for health care workers; for those in the hospitals,__; for those whom our prayers have been requested,__; for those on our Continuing Prayer List; for all the blessings of this life, especially those remembered today with Altar flowers,__; for the dearly departed,__; and we give thanks for their lives and pray for their loved ones left behind.

I invite your own prayers and intercessions.

A period of silence, during which people may add their own petitions quietly or in the privacy of their hearts.

Celebrant adds a concluding Collect (BCP p. 394)

Lord, hear the prayers of thy people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Minister says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

A period of silence is kept.

Minister and People (BCP p. 331)

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

Priest stands and says (BCP p. 332)

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

T H E P E A C E *(stand)*

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

People: And with thy spirit.

W E L C O M E A N D A N N O U N C E M E N T S

Please be seated.

ST. MARTIN'S
OUTREACH
MINISTRIES



CCSC Back-to-School Collection

Support the Christian Community Services Center Back-to-School Program by donating just \$50. This provides an underserved child with a uniform, shoes and school supplies. There are various ways to give: text SMEC to 73256 or visit bit.ly/givetosmec and select CCSC from the drop-down menu, or mail a check to St. Martin's to the attention of CCSC BTS, as well as in the memo section of the check.

Contact outreach@stmartinsepiscopal.org for more information.



RECRUITING NEW ACOLYTES 2021–2022 SCHOOL YEAR

Students in 2nd–12th grade

9:15 a.m. | *Family Table* in Parish Life Center

Students in 6th–12th grade

8 a.m., 9 a.m. or 11:15 a.m. | The Church

To register, visit bit.ly/Acolytes

For more information about being an acolyte:

Students in 2nd–12th grade, contact Beth Ollenburger at 713-830-4146 or bollenburger@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

Students in 6th–12th grade, contact Barbara Piana at 713-830-4116 or bpiana@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

GIVE BLOOD.ORG

St. Martin's Episcopal Church

Blood Drive

Tuesday, July 27

Wednesday, July 28

Thursday, July 29

9 a.m.–3 p.m.

717 Sage Road

Bagby Parish Hall

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Artemio, blood recipient

Appointments are required to donate during this time.

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SERVICE OF PRAYER FOR *Healing and Wholeness*



St. Martin's International OSL Healing Community offers a service of prayer for healing and wholeness on the first Wednesday of each month.

This short, online service is held for anyone in need of prayer for themselves, friends or family.

Visit bit.ly/oslservice to join the meeting.

Next Service

Wednesday, August 4 | 5 p.m.

For more information, contact Katwana Coleman at kcoleman@stmartinsepiscopal.org.



MEMBERSHIP

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Monday, August 16

6 p.m. | Bagby Parish Hall and Online

Learn about the mission and core values of St. Martin's and broaden your understanding of our ministries and your role in the Church during this membership class that will include an instructed Eucharist, a presentation by St. Martin's Rector, the Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson, Jr., and a question-and-answer session by Kathy Johnson, Director of Membership.

Reservations are required. To RSVP, contact Kathy Johnson at 713-985-3834 or kjohnson@stmartinsepiscopal.org by 5 p.m. Sunday, August 15.

CELEBRATING THE BUILDING FOR THE AGES CAMPAIGN



PLEASE SAVE THE DATE

Parish Picnic

Saturday, August 21

6–8 p.m.

Fun, Fellowship and Food for All Ages

***Celebration of the
Building for the Ages Campaign***

Sunday, August 22

8 a.m.–2 p.m.

Dedication and Consecration of the Parish Life Center,
Building for the Ages Special Recognitions and
Celebratory Worship Service, Campus Tours

*A full schedule and more information
will follow in the weeks ahead!*



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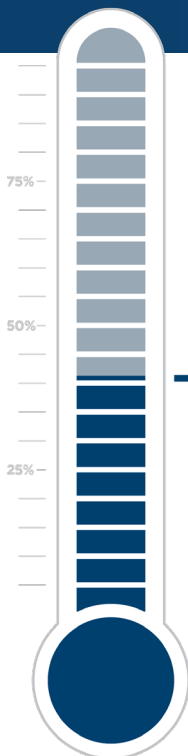
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Christian Life Study

**Now Open! Registration for 2021-2022
Day and Evening Groups at
clsbiblestudy.com**

DAY GROUP

CLS Day Group begins on Thursday, Sept. 16.
It will meet from 9:30 to 11:15 a.m. on Thursdays throughout the year.
Location on campus to be announced.

Contact Anna McLean at 281-782-0594 or
amaynebr1@gmail.com for the Day Group.

2021/2022 Studies Include:

Women of the Old Testament – September–November
Isaiah – January–February
Seeing Christ in the Old Testament – March–April

EVENING GROUP

CLS Evening Group begins on Tuesday, Sept. 14.
It will meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Tuesdays throughout the year.
Location on campus to be announced.

Contact Ann Wilson at 713-828-8722 or
annwilson33@gmail.com for the Evening Group.

2021/2022 Studies Include:

An Old Testament Survey – 8 weeks
Book of Esther – 3 weeks
Book of Daniel – 12 weeks

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Contact: Director of Parish Stewardship, Ashley Pratka:
apratka@stmartinsepiscopal.org or 346-335-8658



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with questions or for assistance:
dhutchison@stmartinsepiscopal.org or 713-985-3803

THE OFFERTORY

ANTHEM “O Bread of Life from Heaven” David Ashley White

O Bread of Life from heaven, to saints and angels given; O
Mana from above! The souls that hunger, feed thou, The
hearts that seek thee, lead thou, With thy sweet tender love.

Words from a 17th-century Latin hymn translated by Philip Schaff (1819–1893); Copyright 1992 Augsburg Fortress.

AT THE PRESENTATION

(8 a.m. only in place of sung Doxology)

Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord;

People: And of thine own have we given thee.

DOXOLOGY *Old 100th*

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise
him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674–1748), para. of Psalm 117. St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637–1711); Music: *Old 100th*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?–1561?).

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *(BCP p. 340) (stand)*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: **It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Celebrant and People (said at 8 a.m.; sung at 9 and 11:15 a.m.)

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Lord

God of hosts, Heav'n and earth are full of thy

glo - ry: Glo - ry be to thee, O Lord Most High.

Bless - ed is he that com - eth in the

Name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the High - est.

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The Celebrant continues (BCP p. 341) (kneel)

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(BCP p. 336)*

People and Celebrant

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

(8 a.m. only in place of sung Fraction Anthem)

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

FRACTION ANTHEM *Celtic Alleluia*



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Then may be said

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS (*BCP p. 337*)

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Celebrant says the Invitation. (BCP p. 338)

Distribution of the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist. At this time, we are offering only the wafer, which is considered full Communion in the Episcopal Church. Please tell the priest administering Communion if you wish to receive a gluten-free wafer.

ANTHEM "Lord, For Thy Tender Mercy's Sake" Richard Farrant

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake, lay not our sins to our charge. But forgive that is past and give us grace to amend our sinful lives, to decline from sin and incline to virtue, that we may walk in a perfect heart before thee now and ever more. Amen.

Text: J. Bull, *Christian Prayers and Holy Meditations*.

HYMN "Seek My Face"

1. Seek My face, seek My face.
 2. I will worship You, seek. You, seek.
 3. We worship le - lu, Al - le - lu
 4. Al le - lu, Al le - lu

Seek I we Al - My will worship le - face, seek You, lu, the the Al - face the liv - ing of of God. God. God. ia. *repeat: 'Alleluia' ad lib.*

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HYMN "As The Deer"

As the deer pant - eth for the wa - ter, so my
 You're my friend and you are my broth - er ev - en
 I want you more than gold or sil - ver, on - ly

soul long-eth af - ter you. You a - lone are my heart's de - sire, and I
 though you are a King. I love you more than an - y oth - er, so much
 you can sat - is - fy. You a - lone are the real joy - giv - er and the

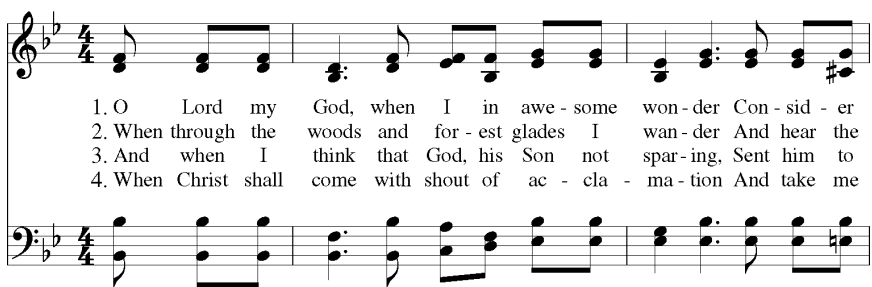
long to wor - ship you. You a - lone are my strength, my shield; To
 more than an - y - thing.
 ap - ple of my eye.

you a - lone may my spir - it yield.

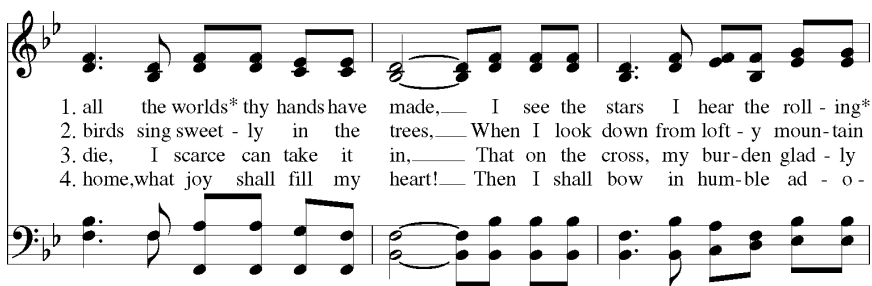
You a - lone are my heart's de - sire, and I long to wor - ship you.

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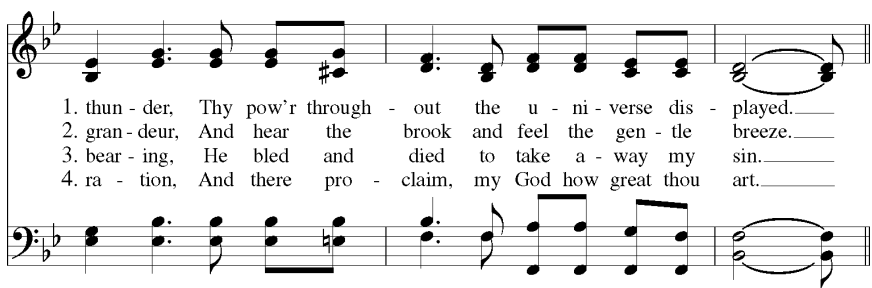
HYMN "How Great Thou Art"



1. O Lord my God, when I in awe - some won - der Con - sid - er
 2. When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der And hear the
 3. And when I think that God, his Son not spar - ing, Sent him to
 4. When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion And take me



1. all the worlds* thy hands have made, I see the stars I hear the roll - ing*
 2. birds sing sweet - ly in the trees, When I look down from loft - y moun - tain
 3. die, I scarce can take it in, That on the cross, my bur - den glad - ly
 4. home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -



1. thun - der, Thy pow'r through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played.
 2. gran - deur, And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze.
 3. bear - ing, He bled and died to take a - way my sin.
 4. ra - tion, And there pro - claim, my God how great thou art.



Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior, God, to Thee: How great Thou

art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior, God, to

Thee: How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

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After Communion, the Celebrant says
 Let us pray. (BCP p. 339)

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

All stand.

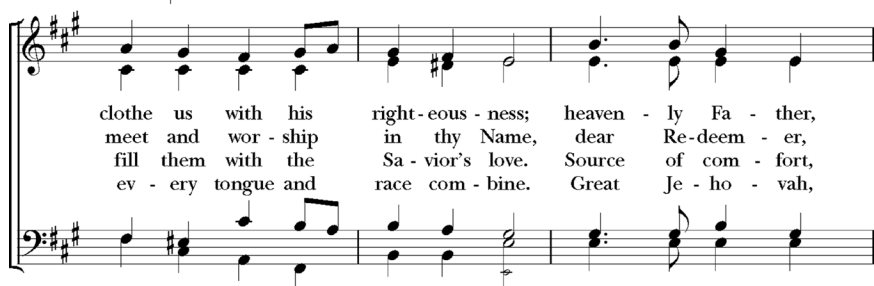
HYMN 368 "Holy Father, Great Creator"



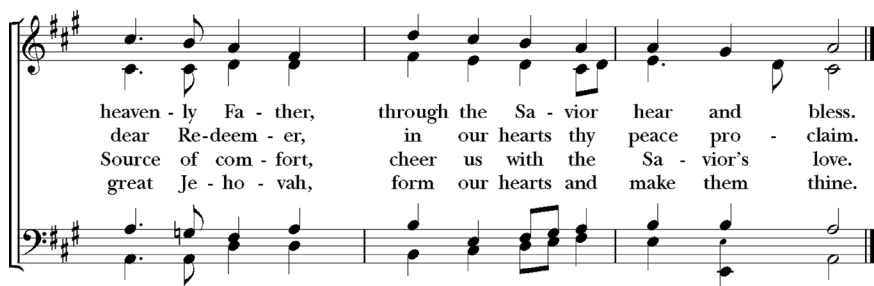
1 Ho - ly Fa - ther, great Cre - a - tor, source of mer - cy,
 2 Ho - ly Je - sus, Lord of glo - ry, whom an - gel - ic
 3 Ho - ly Spi - rit, Sanc - ti - fi - er, Come with unc - tion
 4 God the Lord, through ev - ery na - tion let thy won - drous



love, and peace, look up - on the Me - di - a - tor,
 hosts pro - claim, while we hear thy won - drous sto - ry,
 from a - bove, touch our hearts with sa - cred fire,
 mer - cies shine. In the song of thy sal - va - tion



clothe us with his right - eous - ness; heaven - ly Fa - ther,
 meet and wor - ship in thy Name, dear Re - deem - er,
 fill them with the Sa - vior's love. Source of com - fort,
 ev - ery tongue and race com - bine. Great Je - ho - vah,



heaven - ly Fa - ther, through the Sa - vior hear and bless.
 dear Re - deem - er, in our hearts thy peace pro - claim.
 Source of com - fort, cheer us with the Sa - vior's love.
 great Je - ho - vah, form our hearts and make them thine.

Words: Alexander Viets Griswold (1766–1843), alt.; Music: *Regent Square*, Henry Thomas Smart (1813–1879).

THE DISMISSAL

A Minister says the dismissal

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Personal prayers are available at the west Side Chapel after this service.

RECOGNITIONS



FLOWERS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

In thanksgiving for the baptism of Ellery Elizabeth Hajdik
by Sarah Judge and Mark Hajdik

In thanksgiving for our 40th wedding anniversary
by Karen and Jimmy Taussig

In memory of Elizabeth Anne Shaffer on the anniversary of her birthday
by Helen and Jim Shaffer



BIRTHS

March 17 Benjamin Graham Chambers
Son of Elizabeth and Andrew Chambers
Grandson of Alison Phillips

May 13 Gideon Ellis Raymond Almy
Son of Carly and John Almy
Grandson of Sarah Almy

May 31 James Patrick Darby III
Son of Lauren and Patrick Darby
Grandson of Dee and Jim Darby



BAPTISMS

July 17 Annabella Jane Brown
Wilson James Lightfoot
James "Davis" Winget

SYMPATHY

Jan. 7 Joan S. Anderson McGurk

To mark a special occasion with an altar flower dedication, visit
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SERMON NOTES

CONTINUING PRAYERS

Individuals are included on the *Continuing Prayers* list for numerous reasons, some of which may include recovery from illness, thanksgiving or need for support for special ministry and mission. In addition to praying for participants in cancer support groups, the Alzheimer's Caregiver's Support Group and The Gathering, this week please pray for the following:

Bobbie and Skip Adams	Hollis, McKay and Rand	Jeffrey Martinson
Michael Adams	Grace	BD McAndrew
Harvey Altmann	Steve and Amy Gula	John McMahon
Shelly Bain	Gladys Halbouty	Michelle McStravick
Jack Beeson	Tish Hale	Hal Means
Missy Belote	Melinda Hall	Len Menefee
Alli Blackman	Charlene Harrington	Mary Kay Mohrmann
Cory Blackman	Tom Harrington	Fran Neilson
Grace Blake	Walesk Harvey	Ann Nelson
Michele Bouchard	Susie Hatfield	Rick Noble
John and Dianne Brock III	Elizabeth Hill	Benice Nwabueze
Phil Brubaker	Mollie Hill	Judy and Jay O'Connor
Brock Burns	Jeff Holden	Jim Paddock
Jane Cabes	Elizabeth Holderfield	Randal Parrott
Elaine Chandler	Britt Huckaby	Rebecca Parsons
Elinor Christian	Ben Hunter	Erin Pedigo
Higdon Compton, Jr.	Debra Ibarra Mayfield	Troy Phillips
Beth Costa	Wanda Jacobs	Jimmy Prentice
Gail Davis	Brittney Jacobson	Ophelia Pujol
Mac Davis	John Jamail	Barbara Quackenbush
Sue Davis	Shirlee Jamail	Caroline Rawl
Tommy W. Davis	Connie Jessen	Rocky Robinson
Louis DelHomme	Helen Joyner	Robert Rosales
Bobby deSosa	Muriel Kearby Albaral	Larry S.
Betty DeVerter	Sadie Knutzen	David and Clare Sackllah
Chase Dixon	Paige Laird	Essa Sackllah
Nancy Doss	Amy Lee	Tracy and Jimmy Sackllah
Jeff Dykes	Stan Leong	Brady Samuelson
Jim Easterling	Shawn Levenson	Jim Sanitato
Stacey Elliott	Nancy Liles	Ellie Schilling
E.J. Farhood	Martha Ann Linden	Pam Schubert
Matt Fryar	Alex Litchfield	Robert and Sylvia Seals
Lauren Furr	Roberta Lloyd	Janell Sewell
Brad Gallion	Ryan Logan	Helen and Jim Shaffer
Robbie Gay	Sharon M.	Clif Shoemake
Dee Gilbert	Jaclyn Manning	Pat Smith
Max Goodloe	Jo Nell Marshall	Richard Smith

Please be advised that we will be updating the Continuing Prayers list twice a year in the months before Easter and All Saints' Day. Names will remain on the prayer list for six months. To put someone on the Continuing Prayers list, please contact Cyndy Ensign at 713-985-3808 or censign@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

CONTINUING PRAYERS

Tyler Smith	James Wilkerson	Laura
William Gilbert Smith	Tim Womack	Lorrie
Matthew Snellgrove	Tom Young	Luke
Bob Spencer	Eric Zoerb	Marilyn
Sybil Stephens	Anglican Communion	Mark
Jim Stokes	of Southern Africa	Matthew
Aaron Strong	Ben	Millie
Susan Strother	Betsey	Noble Family
Paul Stumpff	Bruce	Oran
Marjorie Taishoff Craig	Caroline	Patsy
Paul Therrien	Casa San Martin, Bolivia	Poppy
Bart Tomlinson	Curt	RC
H. Michael Tyson	Elizabeth	Sally
Randy Vander Naillen	Henry	Sarah
Mae Joyce Wagner	Jane	Thomas
Alexander Wang	Jenny	Victor and Barbara
Becky Wareing	John and Lisa	Wang family
Charles Warren	Karen	Ward
Mary Waters	Kathleen	Woody
Derry Wilkens	Kathryn	

Names we have received of those in the Armed Forces:

SSgt Clint Bahme	LCDR Bradley Ryan	Lt. Holly E. Pace
Lt. Col. Julian Benton	Hoffman	Lt. Paul Piana
1st Lt. Benjamin Brown	Capt. Cody Horr	LCMR David A. Pilko
Lt. Col. Chris Davis	Maj. Wesley J. Hunnell	Maj. Thomas Cook Plant
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