

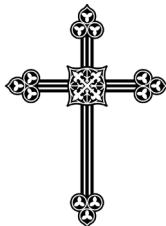
THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

August 8, 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

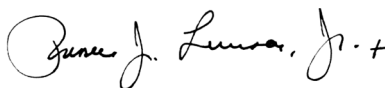
FROM THE RECTOR

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.



Welcome Back!

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT ST. MARTIN'S

ADULTS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8

Basic Bible Study with the Rev. Lisa R. Neilson

Being the Body: Good Fences

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, AUGUST 11

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

Growing in Grace: Closing Reflections and Thoughts on Death and Life

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.

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

CHILDREN

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8

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, AUGUST 8

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.

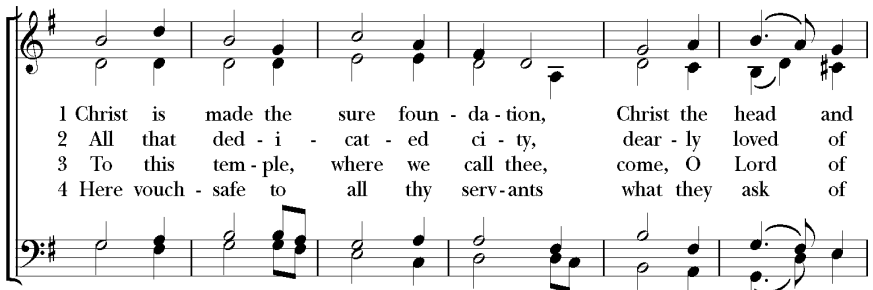
HOLY EUCHARIST

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.

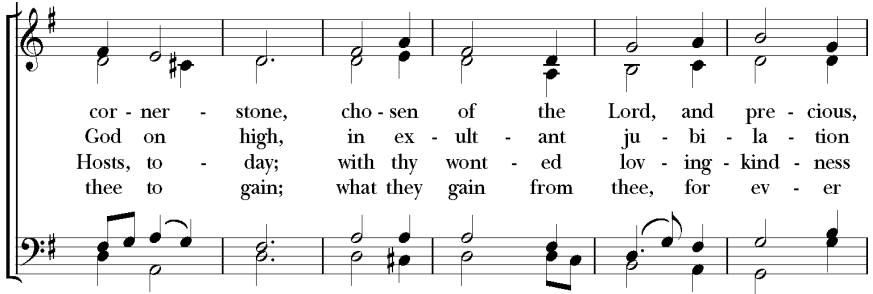
VOLUNTARY "Prelude" Percy Whitlock

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

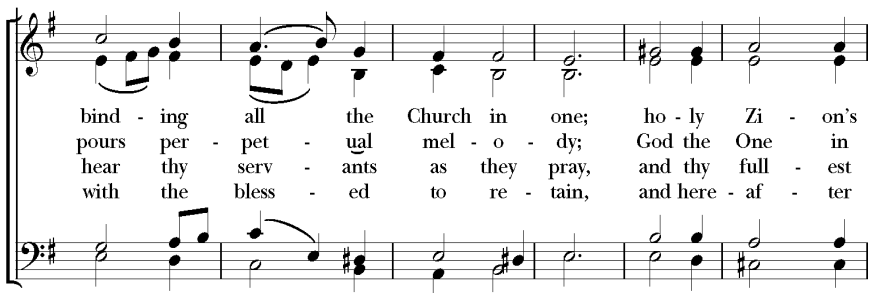
HYMN 518 "Christ Is Made The Sure Foundation" St. Martin's Parish Choir



1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and
2 All that ded - i - cat - ed ci - ty, dear - ly loved of
3 To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of
4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of



cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord, and pre - cious,
God on high, in ex - ult - ant ju - bi - la - tion
Hosts, to - day; with thy wont - ed lov - ing - kind - ness
thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er



bind - ing all the Church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's
pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy; God the One in
hear thy serv - ants as they pray, and thy full - est
with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter

help for ev - er, and her con - fi - dence a - lone.
 Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.
 ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in its walls al - way.
 in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.

Words: Latin, ca. 7th cent.; tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, after John Mason Neale (1818–1856), alt.; Music: *Westminster Abbey*, Henry Purcell (1659–1695), adapt; desc. James Gillespie (b. 1929); Copyright: Music: Descant by permission of Church Society, London.

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

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE LESSONEphesians 4:25–5:2

Putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

All stand.

HYMN 321 (vs. 1-2)

“My God, Thy Table Now Is Spread”

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 - tless
 4 Nor let thy spread - ing Gos - pel rest till through the

love doth o - ver - flow; be all thy chil - dren
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 Fa - ther's board the Bread that lives be - yond the tomb.
 all be blessed who see the light or feel the sun.

Words: Sts. 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).

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

People: **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

THE G O S P E LJohn 6:35, 41-51

Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

HYMN 321 (vs. 3-4)
 “My God, Thy Table Now Is Spread”

1 My God, thy ta - ble now is spread, thy cup with
 2 O let thy ta - ble hon - ored be, and fur - nished
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Please be seated.

THE SERMON “The Lifeline We All Crave”
 The Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson, Jr.

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, Sylvester, our Mayor, and the Congress and the Courts; 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



Chat with Amistad Children

Tuesday, Aug. 10 | 5:30 p.m. via Zoom

Spend some of your Tuesday night getting to know the eight children and Mama Isabel in Casa San Martin in Cochabamba, Bolivia over Zoom. All ages are welcome, and a translator will be available.

Email Outreach for the zoom link at outreach@stmartinsepiscopal.org. For more information about our partner, Amistad Mission, check out their website at amistadmission.org.

UPWARD CELEBRATION SUNDAY

Sunday, Aug. 15

10:15-11 a.m. • Bagby Parish Hall

Join us for a unique and fun presentation by Dan Bellamy, Inflationary Stories. We'll bring a classic Bible story to life through balloon artistry and celebrate our return back to Campus.

NEW CLERGY

Welcome Reception

Sunday, August 15 | Bagby Parish Hall
10:45 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.



The Rev. Wesley Arning joins St. Martin's as Associate for Young Adult and Small Group Ministry. He will work with a number of groups and programs, including young adults and small group efforts. The Rev. Arning and his wife, Megan, recently moved to Houston from Madison, Tenn. where he served as the Priest in Charge and then Rector of St. James the Less Episcopal Church.



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

Join Us for Our
PARISH PICNIC

SATURDAY **21** 6-8 P.M.
AUGUST

Hosted by St. Martin's Vestry, Building for the Ages Committee,
The Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson, Jr., Rector, Our Clergy and Staff

Fellowship and fun for all ages!

Bounce Houses • Children's Activities • Indoor and Outdoor Venues
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CELEBRATING THE BUILDING FOR THE AGES CAMPAIGN



You're Invited!
SUNDAY, AUGUST 22, 2021

8:00 a.m.

First Worship Service in Christ Chapel

9:00 a.m.

Family Table Service with
Blessing, Dedication and Consecration
of the Parish Life Center

10:30 a.m.

Building for the Ages Special Recognitions
The Church Plaza

11:15 a.m.

Building for the Ages Celebratory Worship Service
The Church

Campus Tours

Noon – 2 p.m.

717 Sage Road, Houston, Texas 77056



ORIENTATION SUNDAY

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29

Discover What's Ahead
For Adults, Students and Children

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

10:15-11 a.m. · Bagby Parish Hall

Come and hear about the various new events and classes.
We have exciting new speakers, teachers and more.

STUDENT MINISTRIES

10:15 and 10:40 a.m. · Student Life Center

All junior high and high school families are invited to come and hear about the great student programs, trips and events planned for 2021-2022. We offer two sessions to accommodate families that need to visit other orientations.

NEW 6TH GRADE RECEPTION

12:30-1:30 p.m. · Student Life Center, Main Hall

All students entering 6th grade and their parents are invited to a reception to meet the Student Ministries staff, other parents and students, and families that have long been active in this ministry.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Orientation For Parents And Children

10:15 and 10:40 a.m. · Children's Life Center

Discover what Children's Ministry will offer during the upcoming school year. Learn about new programs and scheduled activities in our new space! Two sessions offered to accommodate families that need to visit other orientations.

INTRODUCING



RIVERWAY

*St. Martin's New, Contemporary
Worship Service*

Join us at 11:15 a.m. Sunday, August 29
in the Parish Life Center
and be part of it from the beginning.

Come as you are to the Riverway, a service that is both
Episcopalian and modern, where we will break bread and
hear God's word. It's a space to breathe, to be all that you
are and to engage with Jesus.

**Why Riverway? For Jesus' way is a river and a "spring of
water gushing up to eternal life." (John 4:14)**

Christian Life Study

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

WOMEN'S MORNING GROUP

CLS Morning 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.

2021/2022 Studies Include:

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

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

WOMEN'S 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.

2021/2022 Studies Include:

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

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

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apratka@stmartinsepiscopal.org or 346-335-8658



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dhutchison@stmartinsepiscopal.org or 713-985-3803

THE OFFERTORY

ANTHEM "Greater Love Hath No Man"
John Ireland

Many waters cannot quench Love, neither can the floods drown it. Love is strong as death. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Who His own Self bare our sins in His own Body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins should live unto righteousness. Ye are wash'd, ye are sanctified, ye are justified, in the Name of the Lord Jesus. Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, that ye should shew forth the praises of Him who hath call'd you out of darkness into His marvelous light. I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies, a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your service.

Text: Holy Scripture; Music: John Ireland.

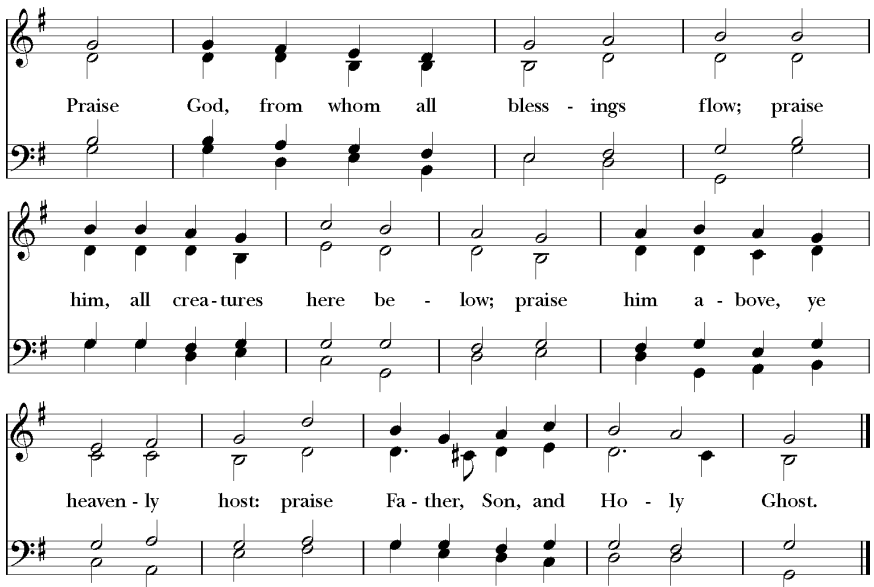
AT THE PRESENTATION

(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.

The image shows a musical score for the Sanctus and Benedictus. It consists of five staves of music in G major, 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff is 'Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Lord'. The second staff is 'God of hosts, Heav'n and earth are full of thy'. The third staff is 'glo - ry: Glo - ry be to thee, O Lord Most High.'. The fourth staff is 'Bless - ed is he that com - eth in the'. The fifth staff is '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*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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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.

AN T H E M "O Taste and See"
 Ralph Vaughan Williams

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is: blest is the man that trusteth in Him.

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H Y M N "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

Make me a chan-nel of your peace. where
 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. Where
 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. It
 there is hat-red let me bring your love; where there is in-jur-
 there's des-pair in life let me bring hope; where there is dark-ness,
 is in par-don-ing that we are par-doned, in giv-ing to all
 y, your par-don, Lord; and where there's doubt, true
 on-ly light; and where there's sad-ness,
 men that we re-ceive; and in dy-ing that we're
 faith in you. Oh, mas-ter, grant that I may nev-er
 ev-er joy.
 born to e-ter-nal life.
 seek so much to be con-soled as to con-sole;
 - to be un-der-stood as to un-der-stand; to be
 loved, as to love with all my soul. *D.C.*

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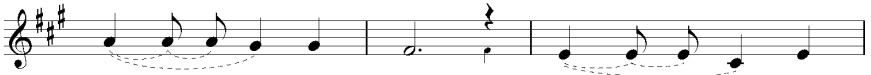
HYMN "I Am the Bread of Life"



1 I am the bread of life; they who
 2 (The) Bread that I will give is my
 3 (Un-) less you eat of the
 4 I am the re - sur - rec - tion,
 5 (Yes,) Lord, we be - lieve that



1 come to me shall not hun - ger; they who be -
 2 Flesh for the life of the world, and they who
 3 Flesh of the Son of Man and
 4 I am the life. They who be -
 5 you are the Christ, the



1 lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to
 2 eat of this bread, they shall live for
 3 drink of his Blood, you shall not have life with -
 4 lieve in me, e - ven if they
 5 Son of God who has



1 me un - less the Fa - ther draw them.
 2 ev - er. they shall live for ev - er.
 3 in you. you shall not have life with - in you.
 4 die, they shall live for ev - er.
 5 come in - to the world.

And I will raise them up, and I will raise them

up, and I will raise them up on the

last day. _____

2 The
3 Un- day.
4 —
5 Yes,

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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 362 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
 *2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee:
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the sin - ful hu - man eye thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.
 which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in power, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

Words: Reginald Heber (1783–1826), alt.; Music: *Nicaea*, John Bacchus Dykes (1823–1876).

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 ministry of the Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson, Jr.
on his 14-year anniversary as Rector

In loving memory of Mary Louise Presley

by Laurette and Jeff Presley, Caroline and Elizabeth Ann Presley,
Kati and Stephen Presley, and Chelsea and Robert Presley



BIRTHS

Nov. 11 Thomas Michael Ryan
Son of Laura and Michael Ryan
Grandson of Judy Jones and Mark Jones

June 13 Benjamin Graham Chambers
Daughter of Madeline and John Edward Hibbert
Grandaughter of Sharon and Jim Hibbert

July 6 David Masterson Boyce
Son of Jordan and Beaumont Boyce, Jr.



BAPTISMS

July 31 George Weston Crowel
Caroline Quayle Lynd



SYMPATHY

July 22 Linda Beeley Denison

To mark a special occasion with an altar flower dedication, visit
bit.ly/ChurchFlowers or contact Barbara Piana at 713-830-4116.

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

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

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

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
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