

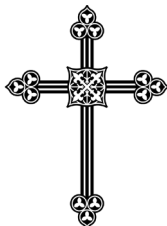
THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 16, 2020



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.



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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.***

LITURGY OF THE WORD

VOLUNTARY “O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

Edwin Childs

Dr. David Henning, Director of Music and Parish Organist

All stand.

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.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY *(BCP page 232)*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us pray. *(kneel)*

The Celebrant says the Collect

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

HYMN 680 (vs. 1, 2 and 5)

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

Annamarie Zmolek, Christine Mahaffey, Patrick Perez and Joel Williams,
St. Martin's Parish Choir

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system contains five verses of lyrics. The second system contains three verses. The music features a simple, hymn-like melody with a steady bass line. The lyrics are printed below the vocal staves.

1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
 2 un - der the sha - dow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
 3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,
 4 A thou - sand a - ges in thy sight are like an eve - ning gone;
 5 Time, like an ev - er - roll - ing stream, bears all our years a - way;

1 our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home;
 2 suf - fi - cient is thine arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
 3 from ev - er - last - ing thou art God, to end - less years the same.
 4 short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.
 5 they fly, for - got - ten, as a dream dies at the o - pen - ing day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
 our hope for years to come,
 be thou our guide while life shall last,
 and our eternal home.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674–1748), alt.; para. of Psalm 90; Music: *St. Anne*, melody att. William Croft (1678–1727), alt.; harm. William Henry Monk (1823–1889).

THE LESSON Genesis 45:1–15

Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, “Send everyone away from me.” So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?” But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, “Come closer to me.” And they came closer. He said, “I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children’s children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.’ And now your eyes and the eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father how greatly I am honored in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here.” Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin’s neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN 321 (vs. 1 and 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
 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
 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: 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).

All stand.

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

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

THE GOSPEL Matthew 15:10–28

Jesus called the crowd to him and said to them, “Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.” Then the disciples approached and said to him, “Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?” He answered, “Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.” But Peter said to him, “Explain this parable to us.” Then he said, “Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.” Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.” But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Please be seated.

HYMN 674 (vs. 1 and 4)

"Forgive Our Sins"

1 "For - give our sins as we for - give" you
 2 How can your par - don reach and bless the
 3 In blaz - ing light your cross re - veals the
 4 Lord, cleanse the depths with - in our souls, and

taught us, Lord, to pray; but you a - lone can
 un - for - giv - ing heart that broods on wrongs and
 truth we dim - ly knew, how small the debts men
 bid re - sent - ment cease; then, re - con - ciled to

grant us grace to live the words we say.
 will not let old bit - ter - ness de - part?
 owe to us, how great our debt to you.
 God and man, our lives will spread your peace.

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THE SERMON

"Maybe Losing Control is Not So Bad After All"

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

THE NICENE CREED *(BCP page 327) (stand)*

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 page 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 Donald, 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; we pray for peace throughout the world, and especially in the Middle East; and we pray for the victims of terror attacks; and we remember before you, and pray for the protection of our Christian brothers and sisters who face danger or persecution for their faith; and we pray for victims of all natural disasters; for the many people who have contracted the coronavirus; for comfort for those grieving loved ones who have died and peace for those who are fearful as the virus spreads; for those in isolation, those who have lost their job or their business, and for all those in our communities involved in ministering to the sick, especially for all health care workers; we pray for the safety of all law enforcement agents, firefighters, paramedics and all first responders who provide security and protection to the citizens they serve; and we pray for those in the hospitals__; and those for whom our prayers have been requested__; and for those on our Continuing Prayer List; and for all the blessings of this life, especially those remembered today with Altar flowers__; and we remember before you the departed especially__; 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 page 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.

Minister and People (BCP page 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 page 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.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please be seated.

DAY OF PRAYER

for Students, Schools and Families

Friday, August 21
6 a.m. to midnight

On Zoom Link: <https://zoom.us/j/98462698133>

Student Ministries, in partnership with Children's Ministry and the OSL Healing Community Prayer Ministers, invite you to a virtual Day of Prayer via Zoom for the upcoming school year.

Starting at 6 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 21, we will have four seats for each 30-minute session, and each session will be hosted by a Student Ministries team member. We invite you to sign up to pray with us!

Here is what to expect. We will share music and have a prayer guideline on the screen with topics for prayer. You may pray silently or out loud. We'll be there if you have questions.

The day will also include short worship services that do not require registration. We can host up to 300 individuals at 6 a.m., 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Following the 6 p.m. service, the OSL Healing Community Prayer Ministers and others will be available to pray with you individually in break-out prayer rooms.

To register, visit
<https://bit.ly/schooldayofprayer2020>

Send the names of your students, schools, principals, administrators, and teachers to fritchie@stmartinsepiscopal.org or 713-985-3843.



A vibrant yellow background with a pattern of small orange dots. In the upper left, there is a cluster of school supplies including a blue spiral notebook, several colored pencils (yellow, green, blue, pink), and a blue backpack. A large, stylized banner in the center reads "BACK to SCHOOL SUNDAY" in bold, colorful letters. To the right of the banner, the text "Sunday, August 23" and "11:30 a.m." is displayed in a bold, blue font. Below this, the text "Coming to you virtually on Facebook and YouTube. Watch for the All-Parish email." is written in a smaller, blue font. The bottom corners of the graphic feature more school supplies like paper clips, a ruler, and additional pencils.

BACK to SCHOOL SUNDAY

Sunday, August 23
11:30 a.m.

**Coming to you virtually on
Facebook and YouTube.
Watch for the All-Parish email.**

A dark red background with a subtle pattern of vertical stripes. At the top, the words "COMING" and "ATTRactions" are written in large, bold, gold letters with a sparkling, dotted texture. Below this, the text "This Year at St. Martin's" is written in a cursive, gold font. Further down, the text "Sunday, August 30 | 11:30 a.m." is displayed in a bold, gold font. At the bottom, the text "Coming to you virtually on Facebook and YouTube. Watch for the All-Parish email." is written in a smaller, gold font.

COMING
ATTRactions

This Year at St. Martin's

Sunday, August 30 | 11:30 a.m.

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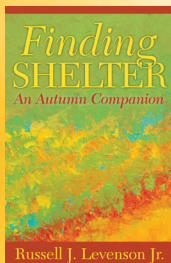
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For more information, contact Outreach Ministries at 713-985-3811 or outreach@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

HELPING YOUR CHILDREN NAVIGATE **ONLINE**

ST. MARTIN'S PARENT/YOUTH PRESENTATIONS

WEEK

1

WHO'S TALKING TO MY KIDS ABOUT PORN?

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 | 5:30 P.M. | VIA ZOOM

"I don't know one kid at my school that doesn't look at porn." How did you just react to that statement? In love, we hope! This presentation is designed for parents to attend with their children who are in the 6th to 12th grade.

WEEK

2

HOW DO I TALK TO MY KIDS ABOUT PORN?

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 | 5:30 P.M. | VIA ZOOM

Last week we learned some harsh truths about the hyper-sexualized culture we all live in. Now, what do we do about it? This presentation is a follow up to "Who's Talking to My Kids About Porn." It is designed for families – parents attending with their children. It may seem uncomfortable at first, but it is the best and only-way forward.

WEEK

3

DEFEND YOUR HOME WITH A TECH STRATEGY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 | 5:30 P.M. | VIA ZOOM

Last week we learned what T.R.E.E.S. means and how it can guide families through tough conversations. In this final presentation, we will take what we have learned and apply practical strategies to defend our homes.

If you have questions or would like more information, contact Cyd Gillette, Director of Outreach Ministries, at 713-830-4128 or cgillette@stmartinsepiscopal.org or the Rev. Jane P. Ferguson, Assistant for Liturgy, Outreach and Student Ministries, at 713-621-3040 or jferguson@stmartinsepiscopal.org



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THE STORY OF

Thistle Farms

HOW LOVE HEALS



TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

11 a.m.–noon

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program from Nashville, TN.

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For program questions, contact Katwana Coleman at
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GUEST SPEAKER
BECCA STEVENS



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Contact the Reception Desk at 713-621-3040.

Prayer Requests

Contact the Prayer Request Line at 713-830-4124
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THE OFFERTORY

ANTHEM "Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether"
Harold Friedell

Draw us in the Spirit's tether; for when humbly, in Thy name, two or three are met together, Thou art in the midst of them: Alleluya! Alleluya! Touch we now Thy garment's hem. As the brethren used to gather in the name of Christ to sup, then with thanks to God the Father break the bread and bless the cup, Alleluya! Alleluya! So knit Thou our friendship up. All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of Thee, that by caring, helping, giving, we may true disciples be. Alleluya! Alleluya! We will serve Thee faithfully.

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AT THE PRESENTATION

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 *Pseumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?–1561?).

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray. (*kneel*)

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*BCP page 336*)

Celebrant and People

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.

CONCLUDING PRAYERS

THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the son and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

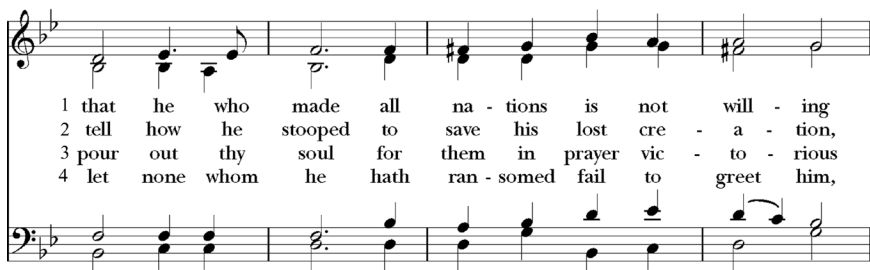
HYMN 539 (vs. 1 and 4)..... "O Zion, Haste"



1 O Zi - on, haste, thy mis - sion high ful - fill - ing,
 2 Pro - claim to ev - ery peo - ple, tongue, and na - tion
 3 Send her - alds forth to bear the mes - sage glo - rious;
 4 He comes a - gain! O Zi - on, ere thou meet him,



1 to tell to all the world that God is Light;
 2 that God, in whom they live and move, is Love;
 3 give of thy wealth to speed them on their way;
 4 make known to ev - ery heart his sav - ing grace;



1 that he who made all na - tions is not will - ing
 2 tell how he stooped to save his lost cre - a - tion,
 3 pour out thy soul for them in prayer vic - to - rious
 4 let none whom he hath ran - somed fail to greet him,



1 one soul should fail to know his love and might.
 2 and died on earth that all might live a - bove.
 3 till God shall bring his king - dom's joy - ful day.
 4 through thy ne - glect, un - fit to see his face.

Refrain

Pub - lish glad ti - dings: ti - dings of peace,

ti - dings of Je - sus, re - demp - tion and re - lease.

Words: Mary Ann Thomson (1834–1923), alt.; Music: *Tidings*, James Walch (1837–1901).

THE DISMISSAL

A Minister says the dismissal

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

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