# THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

# October 3, 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.



# 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.

Bune J. Luna, Jr. +

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.

# ST. MARTIN'S

# OCTOBER 3 Adults

#### 8+ with the Rev. Lisa Neilson

8:55-9:25 a.m. | Chapel Reception Hall

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This class is a Clergy-led coffee and discussion following the 8 a.m. service. Each class focuses on one of the lectionary readings for the day.

### Theology for Life with the Rev. Dr. Jim Jackson

How Can I Change? Reflections on Christianity and the 12-Steps 10:15-11 a.m. | Bagby Parish Hall



This class features a series of Biblical, theological and historical topics that engage the mind and heart in worship of God and living a life of faith.

# Life in Christ with the Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson, Jr.

Grace that Converts

10:15-11 a.m. | Chapel Reception Hall



The class will look at what it means to be a disciple of Christ in the present age, from who Christ is to the message He shared and how we might follow Him today.

# Family Life Class with the Rev. Wesley Arning

Life Together: A United Community 10:15-10:45 a.m. | Children's Life Center, CE-123



This is a slightly shorter class for parents of younger families and that meets after the Family Table service three times a month–twice for class and once for a breakfast social.

# Creative Spaces with the Rev. Sharron Cox

The Contemplative Life: Learning to Listen 10:15-11 a.m. | Activity Center



This class looks at life, faith and prayer in different ways in different electives, looking at contemplative spirituality, contemporary life and more.

### Seekers with the Rev. Robert Wareing

10:15-11 a.m. | Activity Center, Aerobics Room



This class is for more senior parishioners for fellowship and lectionary-based Bible study.

# Adult Confirmation Class with the Rev. Dr. Chad Martin 10:15-11 a.m. | Activity Center, Upper Hall

This class is for adults desiring to learn about the Episcopal Church and what makes the Anglican heritage unique. Adults also have the opportunity to prepare for confirmation or reception into the Episcopal Church.

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

### 7-1-7 Students

### **Episcopal Youth Community**

10:15-11 a.m. | Student Life Center

Grades 6-12 are welcome to join Student Ministries for coffee, lemonade, donuts and conversation about the Scriptures shared in worship.

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

### **Youth Choir**

10:15-11 a.m. | Rehearsal in Student Life Center

St. Martin's Youth Choir, for students in grades 6-12, musically engages older singers while preparing them to become active, contributing members of our Parish.

For more information about Youth Choir email Carole Nelson at cnelson@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

# Children's Ministry

### Children's Sunday School

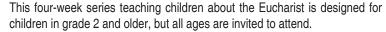
10:15-11 a.m. | Children's Life Center

We have engaging lessons, curriculum and content for both preschool and elementary school. Childcare is available during all morning services for infants through four-year-olds as well.



### Communion Instruction

10:15-11 a.m. | Children's Life Center





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

### Choristers

8:30-9 a.m. | Rehearsal in Children's Life Center 9 a.m. | Family Table service in Parish Life Center



St. Martin's Choristers, for children in grades 1-5, make joyful and beautiful music while affording them a special place in the worship services at St. Martin's.

For more information about Choristers email Carole Nelson at cnelson@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

# OCTOBER 4-9

# Adults

### Saintly Stitchers

Monday, Oct. 4

9 a.m.-noon | Activity Center, Upper Hall East



Saintly Stitchers fill St. Martin's with pew kneelers and other gifts for worship spaces. For more information, contact the Rev. Lisa Neilson at Ineilson@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

### **Education for Ministry**

Tuesday, Oct. 5 6:30-8:30 p.m. | Welcome Center



EfM is a challenging and affirming four-year study developed and administered by the University of the South's School of Theology. For more information, contact the Rev. Dr. Suse McBay at smcbay@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

### **Church Tours**

Wednesday, Oct. 6 10:45-11:15 p.m. | Christ Chapel 11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m. | The Church



The Church and Christ Chapel will be open for tours. To schedule a group tour, please contact the Docent Line at 713-830-4117. For more information, contact the Rev. Sharron Cox at scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

### St. Clare's Needlepoint Guild

Wednesday, Oct. 6
Noon-3 p.m. | Activity Center, Upper Hall East



St. Clare's Guild undertakes a variety of needlepoint projects in worship spaces and for outreach programs. For more information, contact the Rev. Lisa Neilson at Ineilson@ stmartinsepiscopal.org.

### St. Martin's 20s & 30s

Wednesday, Oct. 6 7-9 p.m. | Off-site



Join this group of singles and couples without children for a weekly dinner followed by a discussion about the lives and work of great theologians. For more information, contact the Rev. Wesley Arning at rwarning@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

### Parish Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, Oct. 7 7-9 p.m. | Choir Rehearsal Hall



Sing a variety of traditional music in service to the Lord and our congregation. For more information, contact the Rev. Dr. Chad Martin at cmartin@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

### Sterling's Market

Saturday, Oct. 9 | Rain or shine 9 a.m.-noon | St. Martin's West Parking Lot



The mission of the Sterling's Market at St. Martin's Episcopal Church is to glorify God through sharing the Gospel and the bounties of the earth with Parishioners, neighbors and visitors. For more information and to volunteer, contact info@sterlingsmarket.org.

### Men

### Men of St. Martin's

Thursday, Oct. 7 7-8 a.m. | Bagby Parish Hall



This men's group meets for fellowship, mutual support and Bible study. No registration is necessary to attend the discussions. For more information, contact the Rev. Dr. Chad Martin at cmartin@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

### Dads' Bible Study

Thursday, Oct. 7 8-9 a.m. | Welcome Center



Join dads with children of all ages for coffee, fellowship and Bible study. No registration is necessary to attend the discussions. For more information, contact the Rev. Wesley Arning at rwarning@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

### Women

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

Tuesday, Oct. 5 9-11:30 a.m. | Activity Center, Family Room



Knit and crochet shawls to be blessed for those in need of prayer. For more information, contact the Rev. Lisa Neilson at Ineilson@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

### **Christian Life Study**

Tuesday, Oct. 5 – Evening Group 6:30–8 p.m. | Via Zoom Thursday, Oct. 7 – Morning Group 9:30–11:30 a.m. | Parish Life Center, Children's Life Center and via Zoom



This friendly and loving group of women meets over the course of the year to target various topics in the Bible to deepen faith. For more information, contact the Rev. Marty Bastian at lgallien@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

# The Moms' Group

Wednesday, Oct. 6 9:15–10:30 a.m. | Children's Life Center or via Zoom



Join mothers of infants through grade 12 students for a book study of "Listening to God" by Carolyn Nystrom. For more information, contact the Rev. Sharron Cox at scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

### **Blanket Ladies**

Wednesday, Oct. 6 10-11:30 a.m. | Activity Center, Family Room



Make receiving blankets for newborn infants at local charity hospitals. For more information, contact the Rev. Lisa Neilson at Ineilson@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

# 7-I-7 Students

### Life Groups

Wednesday, Oct. 6 6:30–8 p.m. | Student Life Center



Students in grades 6-12 connect with their peers for fun activities and great discussions about faith and life. Please bring \$5 to cover the cost of dinner. For more information, contact the Rev. Jane Ferguson at jferguson@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.

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

HYMN 657 ....."Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

St. Martin's Parish Choir





Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788); Music: Hyfrydol, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887).

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

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

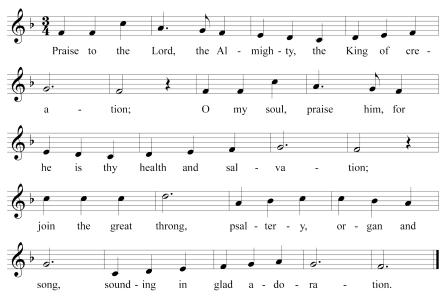
People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.

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 a.m., 11:15 a.m. and 6 p.m.)



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

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray. (kneel)

The Celebrant says the Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

Please be seated.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you. I rejoice in the Lord greatly that now at last you have revived your concern for me; indeed, you were concerned for me, but had no opportunity to show it. Not that I am referring to being in need; for I have learned to be content with whatever I have. I know what it is to have little, and I know what it is to have plenty. In any and all circumstances I have learned the secret of being well-fed and of going hungry, of having plenty and of being in need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

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

All stand.



Words: Martin Rinkart (1586–1649); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827–1878), alt., Music: Nun danket alle Gott, melody Johann Cruger (1598–1662); harm. William Henry Monk (1823–1889), after Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847).

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Mark.

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

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

The remaining lectionary for the day is on page 35.



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Please be seated.

# THE SERMON ....."Who Manages Your Assets?" 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.

# THE PEACE (stand)

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

People: And with thy spirit.

# WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please be seated.



# SUNDAY, OCT. 3

5 p.m. Wayside Chapel

In honor of the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals, all are invited to bring their pets for a special service dedicated to blessing all creatures great and small. St. Martin's Clergy will bless family pets of all kinds, but kindly keep them on leashes or in cages. Pet food donations will also be accepted.

For more information, contact Dania Lainez at dlainez@stmartinsepiscopal.org.



Sunday, Oct. 3 5 p.m. Student Life Center

Students in 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade and their families are invited to a monthly Sunday dinner hosted by Student Ministries. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know each other and spend time in community with the whole family.

# DRIVING A WEDGE

FIGHTING HUMAN
TRAFFICKING IN HOUSTON

Wednesday, Oct. 6, 2021 11 a.m.-noon Parish Life Center

St. Martin's has joined forces with the Freedom Church Alliance, a coalition of local churches united in purpose and resolve to stand up and act on behalf of the oppressed and broken.

Please contact Outreach for more information at outreach@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

# SERVICE OF PRAYER FOR Lealing and holeness

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

### **Next Service**

Wednesday, Oct. 6 | 5 p.m.
Parish Life Center or via Zoom
bit.ly/oslservice

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

# KEN COWAN

# Organ Recital

Friday, Oct. 8 | 7 p.m. | Christ Chapel First Organ Recital on Christ Chapel Magnificat Organ

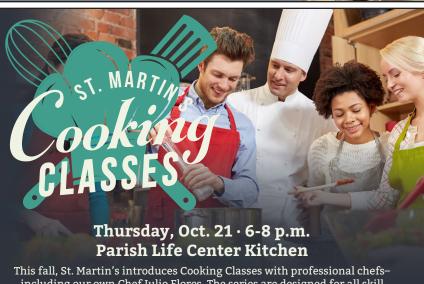


Ken Cowan, associate professor and head of the organ program at Rice University's Shepherd School of Music, launches the music season with a thrilling performance on our newly commissioned Magnificat Organ. Cowan is considered one of the most outstanding organists in North America,

having performed in major concert venues internationally. He has recorded multiple CDs and earned a Grammy Award in 2020 in the "Best Choral Performance" category.

*This concert is offered free of charge to the community.* 





This fall, St. Martin's introduces Cooking Classes with professional chefs including our own Chef Julio Flores. The series are designed for all skill levels and perfect for those interested in sharpening their culinary skills and sharing in fellowship.

> Register for this Italian cuisine class with Chef Kate McLean at bit.ly/stmartinscooking2



# SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9 9-NOON ST. MARTIN'S WEST PARKING LOT

# RAIN OR SHINE

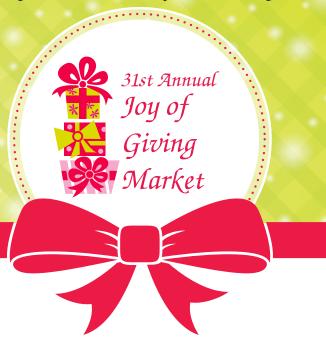
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346-335-8650 INFO@STERLINGSMARKET.ORG

# STERLING'S MARKET NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!

TO SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER, VISIT BIT.LY/VOLUNTEER\_STERLINGS\_MARKET





# **Premier Shopping Party**

Tuesday, October 12, 4–8 p.m. \$20 advance ticket | \$25 at the door Includes hors d'oeuvres, live entertainment and first access to fabulous items

# **Wednesday and Thursday**

October 13, 10 a.m.—6 p.m. October 14, 10 a.m.—3 p.m. *Free admission* 

# ··· NEW THIS YEAR ···

**New Places to Shop and Explore** 

**Musical Entertainment** 

**New Pantry Items** 

**Expanded Parking** 

# · · · RETURNING THIS YEAR · · ·

**Online Silent Auction** 

**Online Pre-sale Pantry Items** 

**Art Mart** 

Featuring over 80 merchants offering a wide variety of quality clothing, jewelry, one-of-a-kind accessories, unique home decor and more

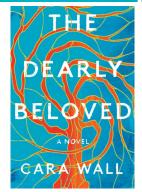
To purchase tickets, place pantry pre-sale orders or view silent auction, visit stmartinsepiscopal.org/joy-of-giving-market

Tickets will be also be sold Saturday, Oct. 9 at Sterling's Market in the St. Martin's tent and Sunday, Oct. 10 between morning services in the Bagby Parish Hall breezeway.





# DAY GROUP



# 1–2:30 p.m. | Wednesday, Oct. 13 Children's Life Center, Room 132

The Faith in Literature group explores, discusses and makes relevant connections between faith and works of fiction, past and present. While operating within the framework of Christian theology, we seek to ascertain in our reading how all good literature, if even by its omission, deals with and reflects themes of faith.

For more information, contact Katwana Coleman at 713-830-4110 or kcoleman@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

# VESTRY NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN

Current members of St. Martin's may nominate any confirmed member of the Parish for consideration to serve on the Vestry for the upcoming three-year term. Nominations can be submitted for review from August to October of each year. At our Annual Parish Meeting in January, we will vote as a Parish to elect five new members to serve on the Vestry.

Completed nomination forms for the upcoming term must be received by Friday, Oct. 22.

Vestry Nomination Form available online at bit.ly/VestryNominations

If you have any questions, please contact Brittney Jacobson at 713-985-3821 or bjacobson@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

Nominations are to be kept strictly confidential-please do not inform the nominee or his/her family that you have nominated him/her.

# ALL ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

# A Conversation with Jean Becker and Jim McGrath

Followed by a Book Signing

Sunday, Oct. 17 · 10 a.m. · Bagby Parish Hall











St. Martin's welcomes two former staff members of the Bush administration who will share beloved memories of serving President George H.W. and First Lady Barbara Bush: **Jean Becker** and **Jim McGrath**.

Many have heard Jean Becker at St. Martin's discuss her New York Times bestselling book, "Pearls of Wisdom," a memoir about Barbara Bush. She recently released "The Man I Knew," a heartfelt recollection about the man whom she knew well as his chief of staff and later, post presidency. Becker returns to St. Martin's with Jim McGrath who wrote hundreds of speeches as staff writer and editor for President Bush. He has published a recollection of his service to the President in "Heartbeat: George Bush in His Own Words." McGrath, who started his career at The White House, will interview Jean Becker and we expect the discussion to be lively and full of insight.



**Jean Becker** was chief of staff for George H. W. Bush from March 1, 1994, until his death on Nov. 30, 2018. She previously served as deputy press secretary to First Lady Barbara Bush from 1989 to 1992.



**Jim McGrath** began his service at The White House in 1991 as an editor and writer in the Executive Office of the President. In 1993, he became a member of President Bush's personal staff in Houston.

# **WAYS TO GIVE**



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



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> Please contact Accounting Supervisor, Debbie Hutchison with questions or for assistance: dhutchison@stmartinsepiscopal.org or 713-985-3803

### THE OFFERTORY

ANTHEM ....."The Ground"
Ola Gjeilo

Pleni sunt caeli et terra Gloria tua. Osanna in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi. Dona nobis pacem.

The heavens and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Lamb of God who takest away the sins of the world. Grant us peace.

Music: Ola Gjeilo. © 2010 and 2011 Walton Music Corp.

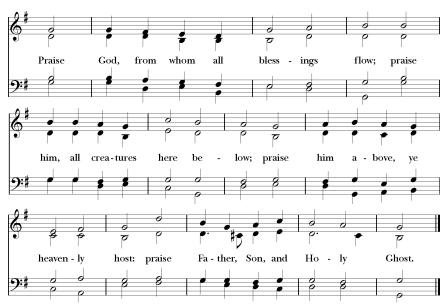
### AT THE PRESENTATION

(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



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.

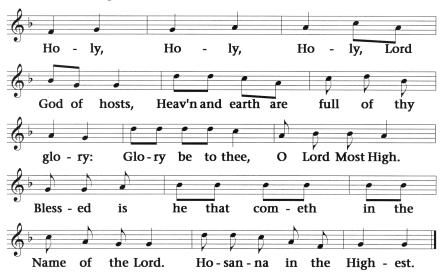
It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Who by water and the Holy Spirit hast made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth thy glory in all the world.

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.)



John Merbecke, 1549. Copyright © 1940, 1943, 1961. The Church Pension Fund.

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 glutenfree wafer.

ANTHEM ......"Ubi Caritas" Ola Gjeilo

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor. Exsultemus et in ipso jucundemur. Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum. Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. Amen.

Where charity and love are, God is there. The love of Christ has gathered us together. Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Let us revere and love the living God. And from a sincere heart, let us love one another. Amen.

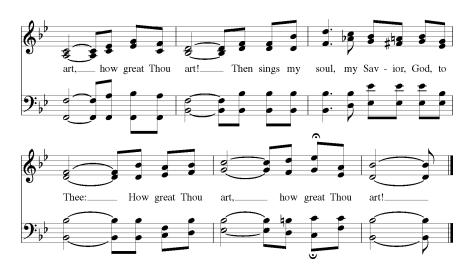
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6 Just as I am, of thy great love the breadth, length, depth, and height to prove, here for a season, then above: O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

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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.



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### 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

On the occasion of their wedding

by Abigail Gloria Peraria and Lanson Wade McCloud

In thanksgiving for the baptism of Bonnie Louise Gilliam by Haley and Matthew Gilliam

In thanksgiving for the baptism of Mackie Winfield Hilton by her grandparents, Liz and Robert Rigney

In thanksgiving for the baptism of Jett Thomas Jehli by Lauren and Tommy Jehli

In memory of Mary Gray Lester on the anniversary of her birthday by Linda and John Griffin, Laura and Jack Schuhmacher, and Allison and Philip Lorenzo



### BIRTHS

Aug. 4 Madeleine Grace Tassin

Daughter of Mary and Cameron Tassin

Aug. 19 Luke Westerfield Mendenhall

Son of Leslie and Mark Mendenhall Grandson of Peggy and Curt Fletcher



### SYMPATHY

Sept. 19 Sonja Leigh Layton

Sept. 22 Lynn Joan Byrd

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

# READINGS FOR THE DAY

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There was once a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job. That man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil. One day the heavenly beings came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them to present himself before the Lord. The Lord said to Satan, "Where have you come from?" Satan answered the Lord, "From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it." The Lord said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man who fears God and turns away from evil. He still persists in his integrity, although you incited me against him, to destroy him for no reason." Then Satan answered the Lord, "Skin for skin! All that people have they will give to save their lives. But stretch out your hand now and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse you to your face." The Lord said to Satan, "Very well, he is in your power; only spare his life." So Satan went out from the presence of the Lord, and inflicted loathsome sores on Job from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head. Job took a potsherd with which to scrape himself, and sat among the ashes. Then his wife said to him, "Do you still persist in your integrity? Curse God, and die." But he said to her, "You speak as any foolish woman would speak. Shall we receive the good at the hand of God, and not receive the bad?" In all this Job did not sin with his lips.

#### THE PSALM ......Psalm 26

Give judgment for me, O Lord, for I have lived with integrity; I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered. Test me, O Lord, and try me; examine my heart and my mind. For your love is before my eyes; I have walked faithfully with you. I have not sat with the worthless, nor do I consort with the deceitful. I have hated the company of evildoers; I will not sit down with the wicked. I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord, that I may go in procession round your altar, singing aloud a song of thanksgiving and recounting all your wonderful deeds. Lord, I love the house in which you dwell and the place where your glory abides. Do not sweep me away with sinners, nor my life with those who thirst for blood, whose hands are full of evil plots, and their right hand full of bribes. As for me, I will live with integrity; redeem me, O Lord, and have pity on me. My foot stands on level ground; in the full assembly I will bless the Lord.

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Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, subjecting all things under their feet." Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

Some Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate." Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery." People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

# 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:

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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 Valerie Rivera at 713-985-3817 or vrivera@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

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