THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 10, 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 10 Adults

8+ with the Rev. Wesley Arning

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



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.

The Converted Life
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 Transformative 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 Abide 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. Nick Dyke

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 and **Student Confirmation Class** will not meet this Sunday due to the Middle School Retreat.

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

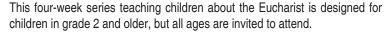
10:15-11 a.m. | Children's Life Center

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 10-16

Adults

Church Tours

Sunday, Oct. 10 Following the 11:15 a.m. service



The Docent Guild will offer a tour of The Church. 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.

OSL Healing Ministry Study Group

Wednesday, Oct. 13 4:30-6 p.m. | Chapel Reception Hall and via Zoom



Learn and grow in the practice of prayer for healing, with an opportunity to train as a licensed OSL prayer minister. For more information, contact the Rev. Dr. Suse McBay at smcbay@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

St. Martin's 20s & 30s

Wednesday, Oct. 13

7-9 p.m. | Vestry Conference Room



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. 14 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. 16 | 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.

Women

The Moms' Group

Wednesday, Oct. 13 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.

7-I-7 Students

Life Groups

Wednesday, Oct. 13 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.

VOLUNTARY....."O God, Our Help in Ages Past" Charles Hubert Hastings Parry

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

HYMN 460"Hallelujah, Sing to Jesus"

St. Martin's Parish Choir





Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898); 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.

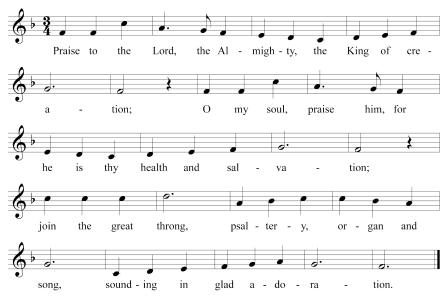
People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.

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

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

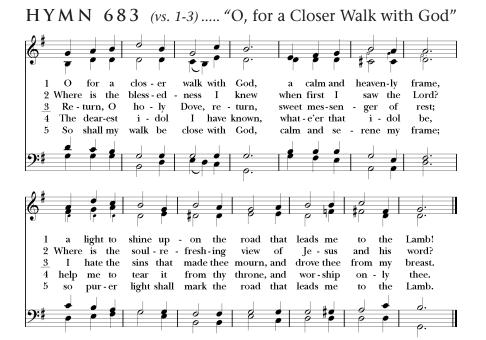
Please be seated.

THE LESSONHebrews 4:12-16

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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

All stand.



Words: William Cowper (1731–1800), alt.; Music: Beatitudo, John Bacchus Dykes (1823–1876).

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Mark.

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

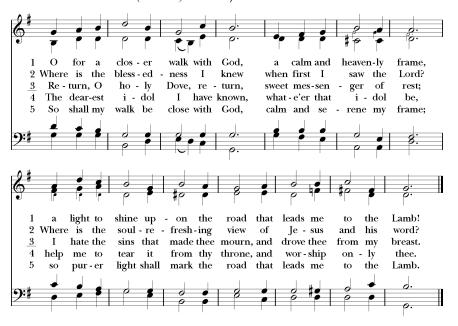
As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother." He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible." Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The remaining lectionary for the day is on page 35.

HYMN 683 (vs. 4-5)..... "O, for a Closer Walk with God"



Words: William Cowper (1731–1800), alt.; Music: Beatitudo, John Bacchus Dykes (1823–1876).

Please be seated.

THE SERMON"One Thing"

The Rev. Alex D. Graham III

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.

The Episcopal Church Women of St. Martin's present the



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*

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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 sold Sunday, Oct. 10, between morning services in the Bagby Parish Hall breezeway.



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.





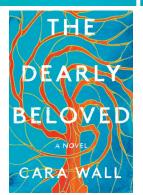
Tuesday, Oct. 12 | 5:30 p.m. via Zoom

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.



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.



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16 9-NOON ST. MARTIN'S WEST PARKING LOT

RAIN OR SHINE

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.

346-335-8650 INFO@STERLINGSMARKET.ORG

STERLING'S MARKET NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!

TO SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER, VISIT BIT.LY/VOLUNTEER_STERLINGS_MARKET

GIVE BLOOD

St. Martin's Episcopal Church

Blood Drive

Monday, Oct. 18 | 9 a.m.-3 p.m. | Bagby Parish Hall

FREE Covid-19 Antibody Test with Donation

Appointments are required to donate during this time. Please go online to schedule at bit.ly/smecblooddrive or contact Victoria Tidwell at Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center: 832-602-9350 or vtidwell@giveblood.org

EAT. DRINK. BRING I.D.



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.

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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"Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" Charles Hubert Hastings Parry

Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways! Reclothe us in our rightful mind, In purer lives thy service find, in deeper reverence, praise. In simple trust like theirs who heard, beside the Syrian sea, the gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them, without a word, rise up and follow thee. Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace. Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm; let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire, O still, small voice of calm.

Words: John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892); Music: Repton, Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918); Arr. H. A. Chambers.

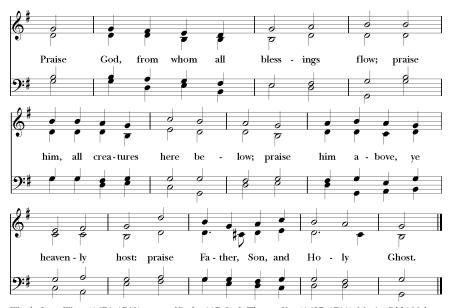
AT THE PRESENTATION

(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.





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.

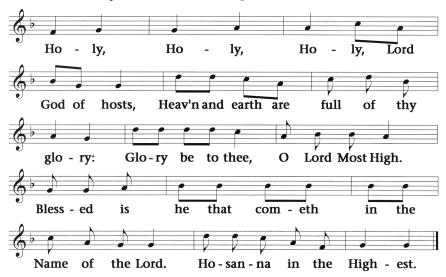
It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

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 ANTHEMCeltic 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.

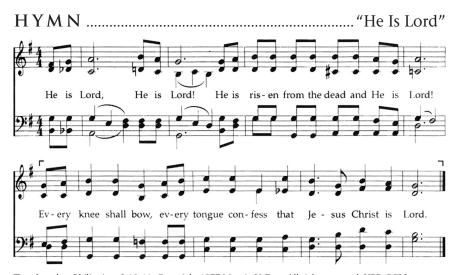
The Celebrant says the Invitation. (BCP p. 338)

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.

Ave verum corpus natum de Maria Virgine, vere passum immolatum in cruce pro homine, Cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit et sanguine: Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.

Hail, true Body, born from Virgin Mary, Who truly suffered, was put to death on the cross for humankind, And from whose pierced side, both water and blood flowed: Be a foretaste for us in our examination of death.

Latin Text attributed to either Pope Innocent III (1198-1216) or Pope Innocent IV (1243-1254).



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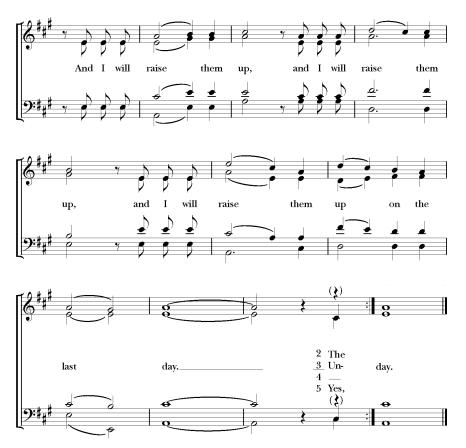




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After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray. (BCP p. 339)

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.



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 DISMISSAL

A Minister says the dismissal

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

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

RECOGNITIONS



FLOWERS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

In thanksgiving for the baptism of Tripp Kaldis by Jennifer, Gregory and Sloane Kaldis

In thanksgiving for the baptism of Hendrik Yu Zhao by Holly and Mingda "Thomas" Zhao

In thanksgiving for the wedding anniversary of Mary and Will Williams by Ruth Giampietro

In memory of the 34th birthday of our son Christopher Clinton Fox by his parents Stephanie and Clinton Fox

In memory of Jim Weatherly by Cindy Weatherly



BIRTHS

March 20, 2020 Virginia "Ginny" Frances Kerr

Daughter of Frances and Philip Kerr

May 16 Hendrik Yu Zhao

Son of Holly and Thomas Zhao

May 26 Amelia "Millie" Gray Yates

Daughter of Caroline and Michael Yates



BAPTISMS

Oct. 2 Lilah Jo Bilderback

Bonnie Louise Gilliam Mackie Winfield Hilton Jett Thomas Jehli



WEDDINGS

Oct. 2 Abigail Gloria Peraria and Lanson Wade McCloud



SYMPATHY

Nov. 27, 2020 Ronald Keith Howie

July 16 Judith Gordon Schroeder

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

OTHER READINGS FOR THE DAY

THE OLD TESTAMENTJob 23:1-9, 16-17

Job said: "Today also my complaint is bitter; his hand is heavy despite my groaning. Oh, that I knew where I might find him, that I might come even to his dwelling! I would lay my case before him, and fill my mouth with arguments. I would learn what he would answer me, and understand what he would say to me. Would he contend with me in the greatness of his power? No; but he would give heed to me. There an upright person could reason with him, and I should be acquitted forever by my judge. If I go forward, he is not there; or backward, I cannot perceive him; on the left he hides, and I cannot behold him; I turn to the right, but I cannot see him. God has made my heart faint; the Almighty has terrified me; If only I could vanish in darkness, and thick darkness would cover my face!"

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? And are so far from my cry and from the words of my distress? O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; by night as well, but I find no rest. Yet you are the Holy One, enthroned upon the praises of Israel. Our forefathers put their trust in you; they trusted, and you delivered them. They cried out to you and were delivered; they trusted in you and were not put to shame. But as for me, I am a worm and no man, scorned by all and despised by the people. All who see me laugh me to scorn; they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying, "He trusted in the Lord; let him deliver him; let him rescue him, if he delights in him." Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, and kept me safe upon my mother's breast. I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb. Be not far from me, for trouble is near, and there is none to help. Many young bulls encircle me; strong bulls of Bashan surround me. They open wide their jaws at me, like a ravening and a roaring lion. I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint; my heart within my breast is melting wax. My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd; my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; and you have laid me in the dust of the grave.

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:

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

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.

CONTINUING PRAYERS

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Casa San Martin, Bolivia

Curt
Elizabeth
H.C.
Henry
Jane
Jenny
John and Lisa

Karen Kathleen Kathryn Laura Lorrie Luke Marilyn Mark Matthew Millie

Noble Family

Oran Patsy Poppy RC Sally Sarah Thomas

Victor and Barbara Wang family Ward

Woody

Names we have received of those in the Armed Forces:

SSgt Clint Bahme
Lt. Col. Julian Benton
1st Lt. Benjamin Brown
Lt. Col. Chris Davis
Wesley Dodd
James Drury III
James Eilers
Major Parker Firestone
Capt. Dom Flatt
Nathan Fordice
1st Lt. Will Golinkin
LCDR Bradley Ryan
Hoffman

Capt. Cody Horr
Maj. Wesley J. Hunnell
Dallas Wayne Hunter
Staton Jobe
Lt. Cmdr. Kory Krebs
Chief Petty Officer
Chaz Mahon
Krystal Martinez
PV2 Wills Masterson
1st Lt. Ben Matthews
1st Lt. Jack Mullen
2nd Lt. Alex Mullen
Lt. Holly E. Pace

Lt. Paul Piana LCMR David A. Pilko Maj. Thomas Cook Plant E-4 Brian Matthew Powell PFC Joel Rowell Maj. Christian Schleider 1st Lt. Grant Suter 1st Lt. Luke Voss

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