# TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

# November 14, 2021



# OUR MISSION

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



ST. MARTIN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

# 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.

June 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.* 

Please continue to take CORONA virus precautions. We encourage all who visit our campus to be fully vaccinated. If not vaccinated, we request you wear a mask while on our campus; or continue to participate in the variety of virtual offerings for worship, education and fellowship. Please note that anyone not abiding by these recommendations is doing so at his or her own risk. Thank you for your cooperation.

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

# WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT ST. MARTIN'S

# NOVEMBER 14 Adults

### 8+ with the Rev. Marty Bastian

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 Mr. David Lumpkins Sanctification

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. Dr. Chad Martin

An Episcopal/Anglican Community 10:15-10:45 a.m. | Parish Life Center

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.







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.

> 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.

> 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 9:15 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.







# NOVEMBER 15-20

# **Adults**

### Saintly Stitchers

Monday, Nov. 15 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, Nov. 16 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.

#### St. Clare's Needlepoint Guild

Wednesday, Nov. 17 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.

### **OSL Healing Ministry Study Group**

Wednesday, Nov. 17 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, Nov. 17 7-9 p.m. | Welcome Center

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.





ST. CLARE'S Needlepoint Guild





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# Parish Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, Nov. 18 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, Nov. 20 | Rain or Shine 9 a.m.-noon | Corner of Woodway and Sage

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, Nov. 18 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, Nov. 18 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, Nov. 16 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.





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#### Christian Life Study

Tuesday, Nov. 16 – Evening Group 6:30–8 p.m. | Via Zoom Thursday, Nov. 18 – 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 Igallien@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

#### The Moms' Group

Wednesday, Nov. 17 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, Nov. 17 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, Nov. 17 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 at 8 a.m. is a spoken service. Musical pieces in this booklet will be skipped or replaced by spoken liturgy, as noted.

VOLUNTARY ...... "Psalm Prelude" Herbert Howells

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

# \*HYMN 598

"Lord Christ, When First Thou Cam'st to Earth" 1 Lord Christ, when first thou to earth, cam'st up on а cross they 2 0 awe - ful Love, which found no room in life where sin de ad - vent 3 New of the love of Christ, shall we a gain re 0 wound - ed hands of 4 Je - sus, build in us thy new cre  $\overline{a}$ bound thee. and mocked thy sav ing king - ship then nied thee, and, doomed to death, must bring to doom fuse thee. till the night of hate in and war а . tion; our pride is dust, our vaunt is stilled, by thorns with which thev crowned thee: and still our wrongs till the powers which ci fied thee. not а cru stone thee? From un - faith we per ish  $\mathbf{as}$ we lose old wait thy la tion: 0 love that tri we rev e r  $\overline{c}$ may weave thee now new thorns to pierce that was left on stone. and all those na tions' souls lease seek the king  $\operatorname{dom}$ our re to \_ bring be umphs 0 ver loss, we our hearts 0 n stead - y robe round thee. brow, and of sor row pride, o'er-thrown, went down to dust be side thee! of thy bv which a lone we choose thee. peace. fore thy cross, to fi - nish thy sal va - tion.

Words: Walter Russell Bowie (1882–1969), alt.; Music: *Mit Freuden zart*, melody from "Une pastourelle gentille," 1529; adapt. *Pseaumes cinquante de David*, 1547, and *Kirchengeseng darinnen die Heubtartickel des Christlichen Glaubens gefasset*, 1566; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958), after Heinrich Reimann (19th cent.); Copyright: Words: By permission of the family of Walter Russell Bowie.

\*indicates when latecomers may be seated so as not to disturb other worshipers

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: Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847); Music: Lauda anima, John Goss (1800-1880).

# 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

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

Please be seated.

## THE LESSON ......Hebrews 10:11-25

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying, "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds," he also adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

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

All stand.



Words: Robert Robinson (1735–1790), alt.; Music: Nettleton, melody from A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II, 1813.

Deacon:	The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
	according to Mark.
People:	Glory be to thee, O Lord.

THE GOSPEL......Mark 13:1-8

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down." When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs."

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

The remaining lectionary for the day is on page 39.

### \*HYMN 686 (vs. 3) "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"



Words: Robert Robinson (1735–1790), alt.; Music: Nettleton, melody from A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II, 1813.

Please be seated.

THE SERMON ...... "What Have You to Declare?" The Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson, Jr. morning services

THE SERMON ......"Look at *That* Temple" *The Rev. R. Wesley Arning evening service* 

#### 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.

# DEPELCHIN CHILDREN'S CENTER'S

PICK UP WISH LIST BAGS Sign up required bit.ly/smecangeltree

Sunday, Nov. 14 9 a.m.-noon Bagby Parish Hall Porte-Cochere

Tuesday-Wednesday, Nov. 16-17 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Student Life Center Lobby

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

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CHRISTMAS GIFT PROGRAM

# JOIN US IN PRAYER TO **STVP HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

## **Community Prayer Service**

November 15 • 11:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. Parish Life Center



"Blind Eyes Opened - The Truth About Sex Trafficking in America" Documentary Screening

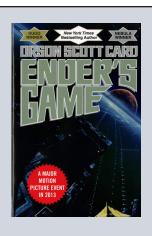
November 15 • 10 a.m. •Hope and Healing Center Auditorium

To sign up, contact Outreach, outreach@stmartinsepiscopal.org.



# EVENING GROUP

Tuesday, Nov. 16 7–8:30 p.m. Children's Life Center, Room 109



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.



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## **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20** 9 a.m. - NOON CORNER OF WOODWAY AND SAGE

#### RAIN OR SHINE

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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.

**STERLING'S MARKET NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!** TO SIGN-UP TO VOLUNTEER, VISIT BIT.LY/VOLUNTEER\_STERLINGSMARKET





Remember a loved one with poinsettias decorating The Church at Christmas. All requests received by 5 p.m. Monday, Nov. 22, will be included in the Christmas Flowers listing available in the worship booklets at all Christmas services. Any requests received after the deadline will be published in worship booklets in the weeks following Christmas. Make your flower dedication online at bit.ly/ChristmasAltarFlowers.

For more information, contact Beth Ollenburger at 713-830-4146 or bollenburger@stmartinsepsicopal.org.





For church members and others in our community who experience memory loss

This program meets on the fourth Monday of each month 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in Bagby Parish Hall.





For more information, contact Kathy Tellepsen at 713-301-4786 or kattellepsen@me.com.

# Thanksģiving Day Worship Service

Thursday, Nov. 25 10 a.m. The Church Service will not be livestreamed

Sunday School classes will not meet on Sunday, Nov. 28, in recognition of the Thanksgiving holiday. Campus will be closed from noon on Wednesday, Nov. 24, through Friday, Nov. 26.

# St. Martin's Episcopal Church **Blood Drive**

**GIVE BLOOD** 

Monday, Nov. 29 | 9 a.m.-3 p.m. | Bagby Parish Hall

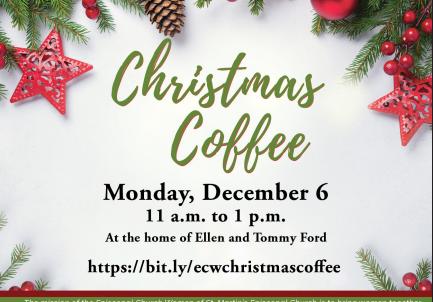
**FREE Covid-19 Antibody Test with Donation** 

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. Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center



Please join us for the Episcopal Church Women of St. Martin's



The mission of the Episcopal Church Women of St. Martin's Episcopal Church is to bring women togethe





### with Presiding Bishop Michael Curry

Event sponsored by The Order of the Daughters of the King Co-hosted by St. Martin's Episcopal Church and St. James' Episcopal Church

#### Saturday, Dec. 11 • 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

St. Martin's Episcopal Church 717 Sage Road, Houston, Texas, 77056

### Watch the Livestream at www.StMartinsEpiscopal.org.

\$20 • Register for in-person event at bit.ly/2021adventquietday

### The Way of Hope, Joy, Peace and Love

As we consider the theme of the day "Hope, Joy, Peace and Love," The Most Rev. Michael Curry will lead this reflective day of prayer, meditation and contemplation.



### Meet Presiding Bishop Michael Curry

Presiding Bishop Curry is the Chief Pastor and serves as President and Chief Executive Officer, and as Chair of the Executive Council of The Episcopal Church.

Wayne Watson Award-Winning Gospel Artist and Director of Contemporary Music at St. Martin's Episcopal Church, Houston



Wayne Watson will perform meaningful hand-picked musical selections to accompany Bishop Curry's message.

Other Clergy taking part in the Advent Quiet Day service include:



The Rev. Victor Thomas Rector of St. James' Episcopal Church, Houston



Cynthia Briggs Kittredge Dean and President Seminary of the Southwest



The Rev. Dr. Leigh Spruill Rector of St. John the Divine, Houston



The Very Rev. Barkley Thompson Dean of Christ Church Cathedral, Houston



The Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson, Jr. Rector of St. Martin's Episcopal Church, Houston

For more information, call 713-621-3040 or visit www.StMartinsEpiscopal.org.

# A Very Special Lenten Retreat Icon Writing with Teresa Harrison



March 7-11

Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The class meets from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday.

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St. Martin's will host renowned instructor Teresa Harrison for a five-day course in the ancient technique of icon writing.

Participants will write their own icons using acrylic paint and gold leaf, a medium that resembles the traditional egg tempera.

Registration fee of \$495 includes all art supplies, but students will need to bring a small desk lamp and an apron or smock.

Registration is now open https://bit.ly/iconography2021

#### 7 Night Cruise Aboard the Quantum of the Seas

# Join St. Martin's Episcopal Church Alaska Glacier Cruise June 13-20, 2022

# with The Rev. Dr. Russ Levenson





Guest Speaker on both cruises



Reverend Dr. Russ Levenson



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Join St. Martin's Episcopal Church with Rev. Dr. Russ Levenson August 7 - 18, 2022



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# THE OFFERTORY

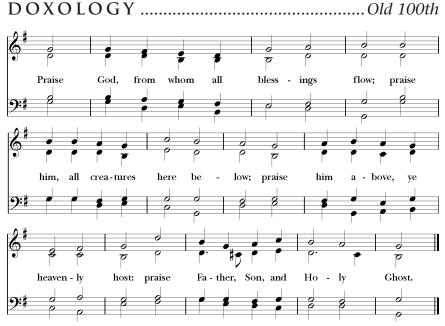
A N T H E M ...... "Like as the Hart" Herbert Howells

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God. My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God. When shall I come to appear before the presence of God? My tears have been my meat day and night, while they daily say unto me, "Where is now thy God?"

Text: Psalm 42, vv. 1-3.

# 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.

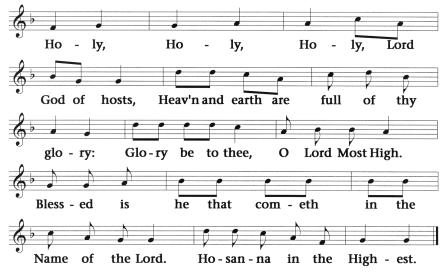
It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### People and Celebrant

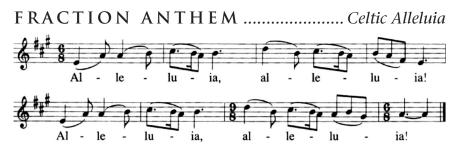
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

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

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



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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.

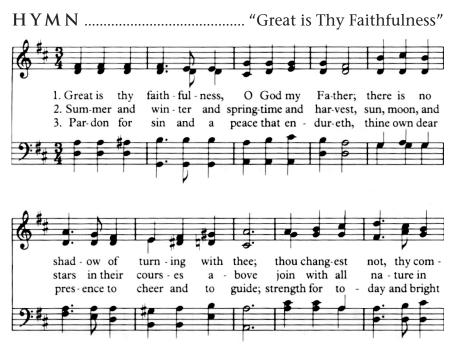
The Celebrant says the Invitation. (BCP p. 338)

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.

# A N T H E M ......"Be Still for the Presence of the Lord" David J. Evans

Be still for the presence of the Lord, the holy One, is here; Come bow before Him now with reverence and fear; In Him no sin found, we stand on holy ground. Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the holy One, is here. Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around; He burns with holy fire, with splendor He is crowned: How awesome is the sight, our radiant king of light! Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around. Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place: He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister His grace, No work too hard for Him. In faith receive from Him. Be still, for power of the Lord is moving in this place.

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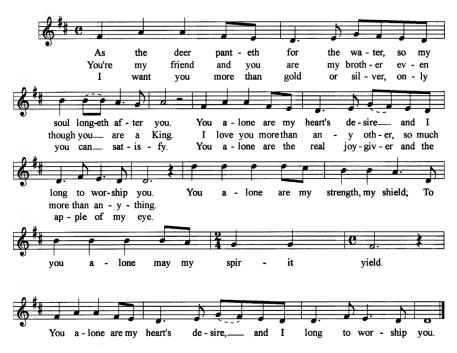


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*After Communion, the Celebrant says* Let us pray. (*BCP p. 339*)

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.



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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 the marriage of Elizabeth Jensen Dye and Matthew John Sipiora

On the occasion of the marriage of Lauren Margaret Mathews and Alexander Harris McKenzie

In thanksgiving for those confirmed and received at the Nov. 13 Confirmation service

In thanksgiving for the baptism of Virginia Frances Kerr by Frances and Philip Kerr

In thanksgiving for the baptism of Thomas Michael Ryan by his grandmother Judy Jones and

his parents Laura and Michael Ryan

In memory of Elizabeth Williams Dwyer by the Hinton Family

In memory of Elizabeth Williams Dwyer, on the anniversary of her 40th birthday

by Casey, Will, Henry, and Caroline Hedges



### BAPTISMS

- Nov. 6 John Christopher Fontana Madeleine Grace Tassin Amelie Gray Yates
- Nov. 7 Finley David Berry



### WEDDINGS

Nov. 6 Elizabeth Jensen Dye and Matthew John Sipiora



### SYMPATHY

Nov. 1 Theodore Joseph Haywood

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

# THE OLD TESTAMENT ......Daniel 12:1-3

The Lord spoke to Daniel in a vision and said, "At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

THE PSALM ..... Psalm 16

Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all other." All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people. But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied. Their libations of blood I will not offer, nor take the names of their gods upon my lips. O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot. My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a goodly heritage. I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me, night after night. I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand I shall not fall. My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope. For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the Pit. You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

# 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:

Harvey Altmann Shelly Bain Jack Beeson Anne Berry Alli Blackman Cory Blackman Grace Blake Michele Bouchard John and Dianne Brock III Elizabeth Holderfield Brock Burns Iane Cabes Elaine Chandler Elinor Christian Higdon Compton, Jr. Beth Costa Dawn Cunningham Gail Davis Mac Davis Sue Davis Tommy W. Davis Louis DelHomme Bobby deSosa Betty DeVerter Chase Dixon Nancy Doss Jim Easterling Stacey Elliott E.J. Farhood Matt Fryar Lauren Furr Brad Gallion Robbie Gay Dee Gilbert Max Goodloe Hollis, McKay and Rand Grace Steve and Amy Gula Gladys Halbouty

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Please be advised that we will be updating the Continuing Prayers list twice a year in the weeks 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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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

Please circle the name of any loved one that you would like to remain on our Continuing Prayer list, tear out this sheet of your bulletin and place it in the Prayer List box in the Narthex. You may also email Valerie Rivera at vrivera@stmartinsepiscopal.org with this information. Your assistance in maintaining our prayer list is most appreciated.

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