

LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

February 27, 2022



OUR MISSION

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



ST. MARTIN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

FROM THE RECTOR

IN THE NAME OF OUR LORD,
JESUS CHRIST, WELCOME.

Jesus' first words to His earliest disciples were very simple, "*Come, follow Me...*" (Matthew 4:19) It was a gentle invitation to take seriously the wonderful journey of faith found in Christ. For more than 2,000 years, people of all ages have responded to that invitation through a personal decision to follow Jesus Christ in a community of prayer, study and service. St. Martin's is just such a place.

St. Martin's is a member Church in the Diocese of Texas, The Episcopal Church in the United States of America and the greater worldwide Anglican Communion consisting of more than 77 million people. Our Parish Church considers it a tremendous honor to be a place where men, women, youth and children can grow in their personal relationship with our Lord, come to know and use their own spiritual gifts, and discover a personal ministry to be expressed both in the Church, the greater Houston area and beyond.

I want to personally invite you to participate in our worship services and as many of our activities and ministries as your own commitments and time will allow.



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

Prayers Before Worship

O Lord, we thank You that You have called us as members of Your family into this beautiful house of God. Grant that here we may feel Your presence and the beauty of Your peace, and that, as we return to our homes and work, we may sense Your guiding hand and loving care and be used in the service of our neighbors, our nation and the world, and all You send our way, through Him Who came not to condemn the world but to save it, Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. ***Amen.***

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

FEBRUARY 27

Gathering

Contemplative Hour

10:15-11 a.m. | Bride's Parlor

NEW

Those who wish to deepen their contemplative walk can gather between services for prayer and sharing. For more information, contact the Rev. Sharron Cox at scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

Adults

8+ with the Rev. Alex Graham III

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. Suse McBay, Ph.D.

Ephesians: The Body of Christ Made for a Purpose

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.

Family Life Class with the Rev. Alex Graham III

Grace-Centered Parenting

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. 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.



*For more information about Adult Christian Education,
email Lori Rivera at lrivera@stmartinsepiscopal.org.*

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 Confirmation,
email Dania Lainez at dlainez@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 is for young people who like to sing. Through the fellowship of music, Youth Choir members enjoy community as they deepen their walk with Christ.



*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.*

FEBRUARY 28-MARCH 5

Adults

Saintly Stitchers

Monday, Feb. 28

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 lnelson@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

St. Clare's Needlepoint Guild

Wednesday, March 2

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 lnelson@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

St. Martin's 20s & 30s

Wednesday, March 2

7-9 p.m. | Welcome Center



Join our young adults as they explore the Alpha Film Series during this spring semester. There will be a 20-minute video, discussion, prayer and, of course, dinner. For more information, contact the Rev. Wesley Arning at rwarning@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

Parish Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, March 3

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, March 5 | Rain or Shine

9 a.m.-noon | Corner of Woodway and Sage



The mission of 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. It's rodeo time! Wear your boots and hats, and pick up a bandana at the info tent. For more information and to volunteer, contact info@sterlingsmarket.org.

Men

Men of St. Martin's

Thursday, March 3

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, March 3

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

Christian Life Study

Tuesday, March 1 – Evening Group

6:30–8 p.m. | via Zoom

Thursday, March 3 – 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 or visit clsbiblestudy.com.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Tuesday, March 1

9-11:30 a.m. | Via Zoom



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.

Blanket Ladies

Wednesday, March 2

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.

HOLY EUCHARIST

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

VOLUNTARY "Prelude and Fugue in C" Johann Krebs

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

*HYMN 135 "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"

1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Jes - us, Lord, to thee we raise,
 2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Pro-phet, Priest, and King su - preme;
 3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;
 4 Man - i - fest on moun - tain height, shin - ing in re - splen-dent light,

man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far;
 and at Ca - na, wed - ding-guest, in thy God-head man - i - fest;
 man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell - ing all the dev - il's might;
 where dis - ci - ples filled with awe thy trans - fi - gured glo - ry saw.

branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem;
 man - i - fest in power di - vine, chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
 man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring - ing good from ill;
 When from there thou led - dest them stead - fast to Je - ru - sa - lem,

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

an - them's be to thee ad-dressed, God in man made man-i - fest.
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 cross and Eas - ter Day at - test God in man made man-i - fest.

Words: Sts. 1–3, Christopher Wordsworth (1807–1885); st. 4, F. Bland Tucker (1895–1984); Music: Salzburg, melody Jakob Hintze (1622–1702); harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750).

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.*)

Praise, my soul, the King of hea - ven;
 to his feet thy tri - bute bring; ran - somed,
 healed, re - stored, for - gi - ven, e - ver - more his
 prai - ses sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 lu - ia! Praise the e - ver - las - ting King.

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

O God, who before the passion of your only begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE LESSONExodus 34:29-35

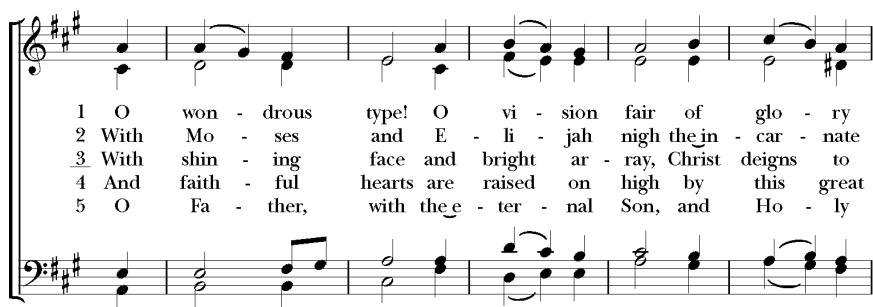
Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

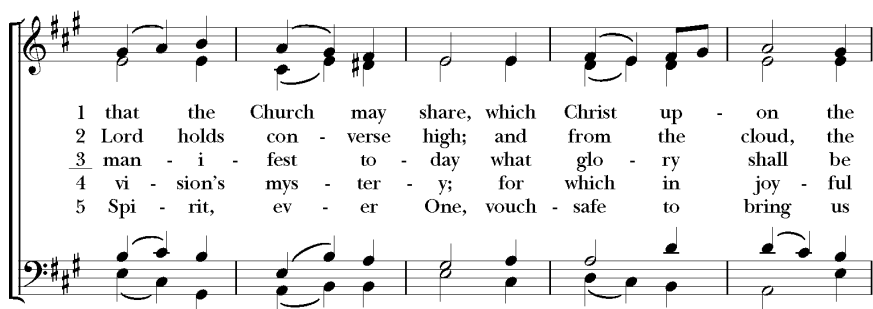
People: **Thanks be to God.**

All stand.

HYMN 137 (vs. 1-3)..... “O Wondrous Type”



1 O won - drous type! O vi - sion fair of glo - ry
 2 With Mo - ses and E - li - jah nigh the in - car - nate
 3 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray, Christ deigns to
 4 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high by this great
 5 O Fa - ther, with the e - ter - nal Son, and Ho - ly



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 2 Lord holds con - verse high; and from the cloud, the
 3 man - i - fest to - day what glo - ry shall be
 4 vi - sion's mys - ter - y; for which in joy - ful
 5 Spi - rit, ev - er One, vouch - safe to bring us



1 moun - tain shows, where bright - er than the sun he glows!
 2 Ho - ly One bears re - cord to the on - ly Son.
 3 theirs a - bove who joy in God with per - fect love.
 4 strains we raise the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.
 5 by thy grace to see thy glo - ry face to face.

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 Music: Wareham, melody William Knapp (1698–1768); alt.; harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, after
 James Turle (1802–1882); desc. Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875–1947).

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

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

THE GOSPELLuke 9:28-36

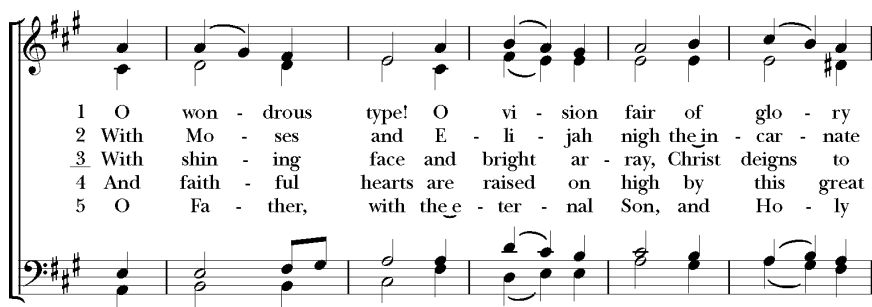
Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"--not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

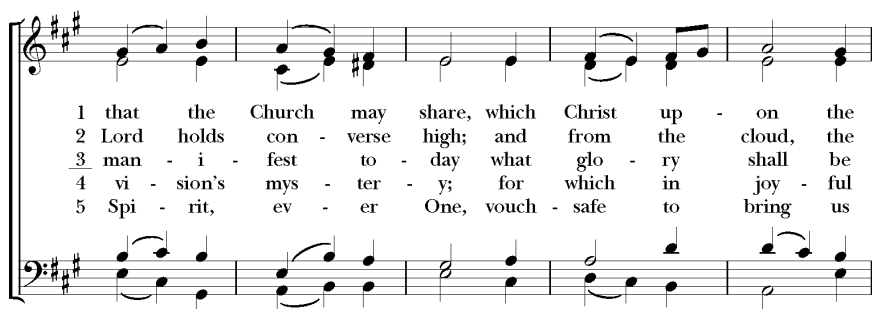
People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The remaining lectionary for the day is on page 45.

HYMN 137 (vs. 4-5)..... “O Wondrous Type”



1 O won - drous type! O vi - sion fair of glo - ry
 2 With Mo - ses and E - li - jah nigh the in - car - nate
 3 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray, Christ deigns to
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Please be seated.

THE SERMON “Ascending the True Mountain” *The Rev. R. Wesley Arning*

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.

Minister and People (BCP p. 331)

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

Priest stands and says (BCP p. 332)

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

T H E P E A C E *(stand)*

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

People: **And with thy spirit.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please be seated.

COMMISSIONING OF ST. MARTIN'S
ALTAR GUILD OFFICERS
AND GROUP CHAIRS (11:15 a.m.)

Minister: Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus, we are all baptized by the One Spirit into One Body, and given gifts for a variety of ministries for the common good. Our purpose is to commission these persons in the Name of God and of this congregation to a special ministry within the Church to which they are called.

Presenter: *Therese Moore, 2020–2022 President of the Altar Guild*
I present to you these persons to be admitted to the ministry of leading the Altar Guild in this congregation.

All: The Levites were responsible for the ark, the table, the lampstand, the altars, and the vessels of the sanctuary with which the priests ministered.

Minister: In the temple of the Lord all are crying, "Glory!"

All: Holiness adorns thy house, O Lord, for ever.

Minister: Let us pray.

O God, thou didst accept the service of Levites in thy temple, and thy Son was pleased to accept the loving service of his friends: Bless the ministry of the Altar Guild and its leaders and give them grace, that they, caring for the vessels and vestments of thy worship and the adornment of thy sanctuary, may make the place of thy presence glorious; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

In the Name of God and of this congregation, I commission you as officers, leaders, chairs and members of St. Martin's Altar Guild.

O Lord, without whom our labor is lost: We beseech you to prosper all works in your Church undertaken according to your holy will. Grant to your workers a pure intention, a patient faith, sufficient success on earth, and the blessedness of serving you in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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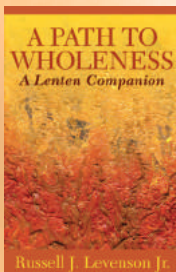
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ST. MARTIN'S **OUTREACH** MINISTRIES



Sole Hope

Shoe Cutting at Home Project

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Cut and prepare fabric uppers from old jeans for Sole Hope's Ugandan cobblers to handcraft shoes for vulnerable kids. No skills required and all supplies are provided. Kits are available for pick-up by sign-up on Mondays from the Front Reception Desk and should be returned to the same location by 3 p.m. Friday. **Sign up at bit.ly/solehopeathome is required.**

Contact worldmissions@stmartinsepiscopal.org for more information.



THE GATHERING

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

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

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



**TUESDAY, MARCH 1
5-7:30 P.M.
BAGBY PARISH HALL**

All Parishioners are invited to attend this family gathering that includes a traditional pancake dinner along with red beans and rice, live entertainment, children's activities and more. Fireworks are on tap after dinner.

TICKETS

ADULTS: \$10 | CHILDREN: \$5 | FAMILY TICKET*: \$30

*Parents with children age 15 and under

Get your tickets online at
bit.ly/SMECShroveTuesdayDinner

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WEDNESDAY



Holy Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes

Wednesday, March 2

7 a.m., noon and 6 p.m.

The Church

Noon

Online via YouTube and Facebook

stmartinsepiscopal.org/watchonline

7 p.m. Riverway

Parish Life Center

The first day of Lent is a special day of Holy Obligation.

DESERT ISLAND DEVOTIONS



THURSDAY LENTEN SERIES

Chapel Reception Hall

March 3 – April 7 | 4–5 p.m.

March 3

The Rev. Alex D. Graham III

March 10

The Rev. Jane P. Ferguson

March 17

The Rev. Wesley Arning

March 24

The Rev. Sharron L. Cox

March 31

The Rev. Dr. Suse McBay

April 7

The Rev. Lisa R. Neilson

You are stranded on a desert island. You have a Bible, a notebook and a pen. Food and supplies are not an issue. You are allowed one album, one book and one other item to take with you in order to fuel and feed your relationship with God. What would you take? In this series, each of our Clergy will share their answers of what they would take to help them and why. Come along and hear their stories!



RICE UNIVERSITY ORGAN STUDIO

STUDENT CONCERT

Friday, March 4 | 7p.m.
The Church

Student musicians from Rice University's Shepherd School of Music will perform selections from a vast musical repertoire.

LENTEN QUIET DAY

"Psalms for Living" Sponsored by St. Martin's
OSL Healing Community

Saturday, March 5 | 9 a.m.–Noon | Parish Life Center

During Lenten Quiet Day, St. Martin's Clergy will be taking this categorization and providing meditations on Psalms for the suffering, for the thankful and for the guilty. The Rev. Dr. Suse E. McBay, Ph.D., the Rev. Alex D. Graham III and the Rev. Sharron L. Cox will each supply a 15-20-minute meditation on one or more Psalms followed by a 20-minute silent time for reflection, prayer or sitting in one of St. Martin's many gardens.

Registration is recommended so that enough coffee and breakfast pastries will be available. Please dress comfortably and bring a Bible and journal. Come and be present to God as you begin your Holy Lent.

Register at bit.ly/2022lentenquietday

For more information, please contact the Rev. Sharron Cox at scox@stmartinseiscopal.org or call 713-830-4131.



The Moms' Group

Brunch

Saturday, March 5
10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

at Liberty Kitchen & Oysterette, River Oaks
4224 San Felipe St., Houston, TX 77027

Contact: Tracee Martin
tmartin@stmartinsepiscopal.org | 713-985-3811

FAMILY DINNERS



Sunday, March 6 | 5-7 p.m.
Student Life Center

Students in 6th-12th 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.

Please register at bit.ly/springfamdin
so we have an accurate headcount for dinner.

A Very Special Lenten Retreat *Icon Writing* with Teresa Harrison

March 7-11
Monday through Friday
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



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

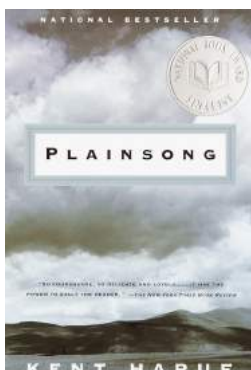
Participants will write their own icons using acrylic paint and gold leaf, a medium that resembles the traditional egg tempera.

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

Space is limited. Register soon at bit.ly/iconography2021



DAY GROUP



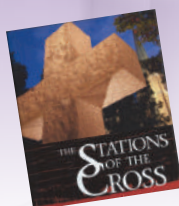
1–2:30 p.m. | Wednesday, March 9
Children's Life Center, Room 132 and
Via Zoom | bit.ly/faithinlitdayzoom

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 Dania Lainez at dlainez@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Wednesdays, March 9-April 13
4:30-5:30 p.m. | The Church
Available online at bit.ly/smeclent



This free guide booklet is available to all those wishing to experience The Stations of the Cross. Copies can be picked up in the Narthex of The Church or downloaded from the St. Martin's Lent webpage above.



ENCOUNTERS *on the* ROAD

This series will follow Jesus' interactions with different people on the road to the cross as found in Luke's Gospel. What do these encounters teach us about our relationship with Jesus today?

SEDER MEAL • MARCH 9

Holy Eucharist | The Church.....5:30 p.m.
Dinner | Bagby Parish Hall6:00-6:30 p.m.
Program | Bagby Parish Hall6:30-7:30 p.m.

Registration: bit.ly/2022lentensedermal

MARCH 9 Seder Meal with Senior Rabbi David A. Lyon, Congregation Beth Israel

MARCH 16 Jesus and Judas (Luke 22:39-53)
The Rev. Dr. Suse McBay

MARCH 23 Jesus and Pilate and Barabbas
(Luke 23:1-25) The Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson, Jr.

MARCH 30 Jesus, Simon of Cyrene and the
"Daughters of Jerusalem" (Luke 23:26-31)
The Rev. Dr. Chad T. Martin

APRIL 6 Jesus and The End of The Road
(Luke 23:32-49) The Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson, Jr.

Christian Life Study

MORNING GROUP

Thursdays | 9:30 a.m.

Parish Life Center and via Zoom


The CLS Day Group will begin its last study on March 10 with the book, "7 Feasts" by Erin Davis. This last study goes through April 21 and the CLS will conclude with Sharing Day on April 28. All women are welcome to join the group—even if they have never ever attended a CLS meeting.

This is a great way to discover CLS and the depth of what brings women to join what this last section and end up joining full year in the Fall.



For more information, contact Anna McLean at 281-782-0594 or amaynebr1@gmail.com for the Day Group

Easter Flowers



Remember a loved one by ordering lilies to decorate The Church at Easter. All requests received by 5 p.m. Friday, March 18, will be included in the worship booklet available at all Easter services. Names submitted after the deadline will be printed in worship booklets in weeks following Easter. Make your flower dedication online at bit.ly/easteraltarflowers

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



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July 16-25, 2022

All are welcome to join us on this wonderful tour!

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Interested in joining us on this exciting trip?

Contact Angel Romero at aromero@stmartinsepiscopal.org



Sunday, June 26 – Saturday, July 2

Apply before March 15

We will work with missionary Kurt Ackermann and Sus Hijos to build a house, feed the homeless and spend time with the forgotten youth of San Salvador.

Students must submit an application and be active participants in Student Ministries' Programs to be considered for the trip.

Submit your application at

<https://bit.ly/2022HSMissionTrip>

STUDENT MINISTRIES

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JUNE 12-17, 2022



Register now at bit.ly/2022MSMissionTrip
Registration deadline March 31

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JULY 10-16

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THE OFFERTORY

ANTHEM“This Glimpse of Glory”
David Ashley White

We have come at Christ’s own bidding to this high and holy place, where we wait with hope and longing for some token of God’s grace. Here we pray for new assurance that our faith is not in vain, searching like those first disciples for a sign both clear and plain. Light breaks in upon our darkness, splendor bathes the flesh-joined Word, Moses and Elijah marvel as the heavenly voice is heard. Eyes and hearts behold with wonder how the Law and Prophets meet: Christ, with garments drenched in brightness, stands transfigured and complete. Strengthened by this glimpse of glory, fearful lest our faith decline, we like Peter find it tempting to remain and build a shrine. But true worship gives us courage to proclaim what we profess, that our daily lives may prove us people of the God we bless.

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AT THE PRESENTATION

(8 a.m. only in place of sung Doxology)

Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord;

People: And of thine own have we given thee.

DOXOLOGY *Old 100th*

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise
him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674–1748), para. of Psalm 117. St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637–1711); Music: *Old 100th*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?–1561?).

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (*BCP p. 340*) (*stand*)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: **It is meet and right so to do.**

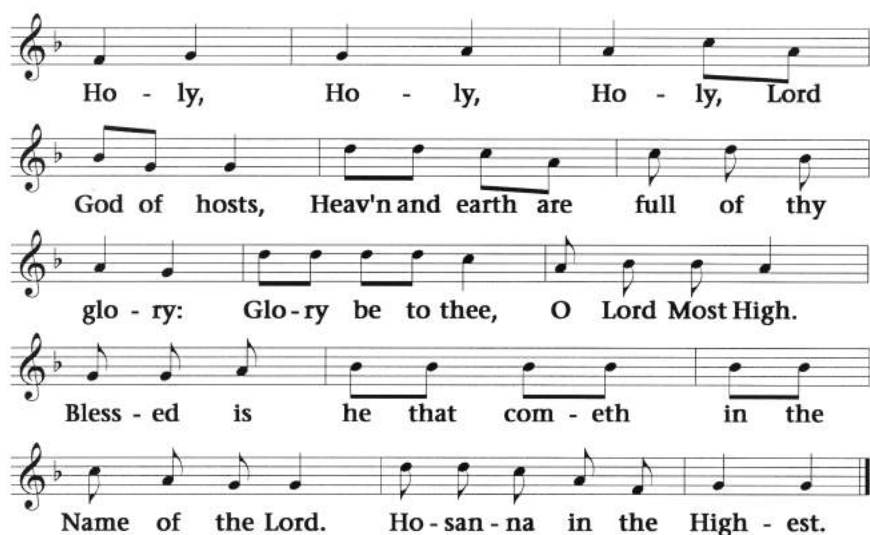
It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, thou hast caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of thy glory in the face of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.)



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Lord
God of hosts, Heav'n and earth are full of thy
glo - ry: Glo - ry be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Bless - ed is he that com - eth in the
Name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the High - est.

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)*

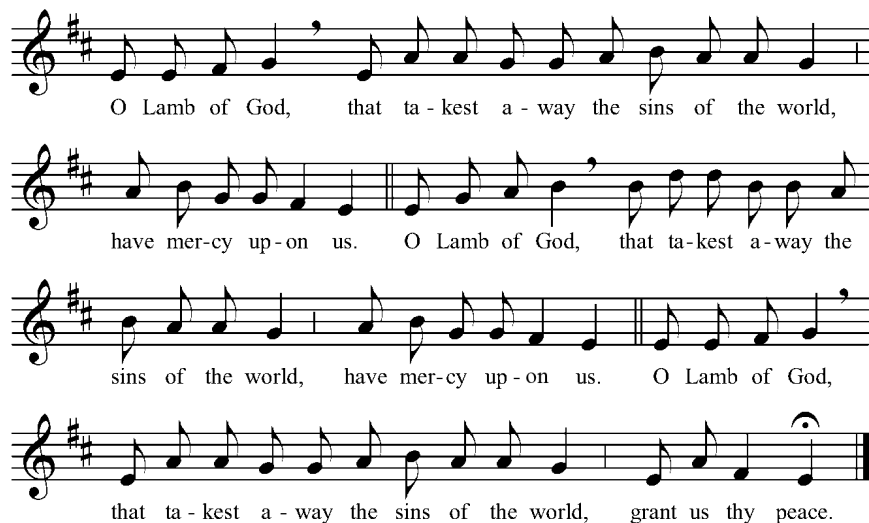
People and Celebrant

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.

(said at 8 a.m.; sung at 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m. and 6 p.m.)



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Then may be said

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS *(BCP p. 337)*

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

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

Distribution of the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist. At this time, we are offering only the wafer, which is considered full Communion in the Episcopal Church. Please tell the priest administering Communion if you wish to receive a gluten-free wafer.

AN T H E M “Beautiful Savior”

arr. F. Melius Christiansen

Fair are the meadows, Fairer are the woodlands, Robed in flow'rs of blooming spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, He makes our sorrowing spirit sing. Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, Praise, adoration, Now and forevermore be Thine!

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HYM N “As the Deer”

As the deer pant - eth for the wa - ter, so my
You're my friend and you are my broth - er ev - en
I want you more than gold or sil - ver, on - ly

soul long - eth af - ter you. You a - lone are my heart's de - sire — and I
though you — are a King. I love you more than an - y oth - er, so much
you can — sat - is - fy. You a - lone are the real joy - giv - er and the

long to wor - ship you. You a - lone are my strength, my shield; To
more than an - y - thing.
ap - ple of my eye.

you a - lone may my spir - it yield.

You a - lone are my heart's de - sire, — and I long to wor - ship you.

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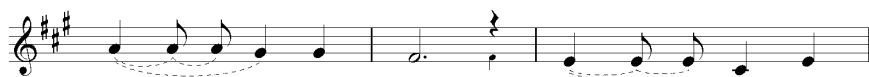
HYMN 335 "I Am the Bread of Life"



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



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



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



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

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

up, and I will raise them up on the

last day. _____

2 The
3 Un- day.
4 —
5 Yes,
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HYMN "Surely the Presence"

Sure - ly the pres - ence of the Lord is in this place; I can

feel His might - y pow - er and His grace. I can

hear the brush of an - gel's wings, I see glo - ry on each face;

Sure - ly the pres - ence of the Lord is in this place.

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

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs,

through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

All stand.

HYMN 618 "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones"

1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright ser - aphs, cher - u -
 2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more glo - rious than the
 3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, ye pa - tri - archs and
 4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su - per - nal an - thems

bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Al - le - lu - ia! Cry
 ser - a - phim, lead their prais - es, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou
 pro - phets blest, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Ye
 ech - o - ing, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! To

out, do - min - ions, prince - doms, powers, vir - tues, arch - an - gels, an - gels'
 bear - er of the e - ter - nal Word, most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the
 ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyrs strong, all saints tri - um - phant, raise the
 God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, Three in

choirs, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 Lord, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 song, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 One, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

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

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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

In thanksgiving for the baptism of David Masterson Boyce
by his parents and big brother

In thanksgiving for the baptism of Robert John Gotcher,
son of Leanne and West Gotcher
by Beth and Bobby Reeves

In thanksgiving for the dedicated members of the St. Martin's Altar Guild

In thanksgiving for Mae Joyce Wagner on her 90th birthday
by Paula and Frank Gay

In loving memory of Richard B. Wilkens III (Richy) on the anniversary
of his 75th birthday
by his family, Sandy, Derry, Richard, Mary Lee, Brady
and James Wilkens



BIRTHS

Jan. 19 Robert John Gotcher
 Son of Leanne and West Gotcher
 Grandson of Beth and Bobby Reeves
 Great grandson of Bette and John Fryar

Feb. 12 Joshua Lane Bullard
 Son of Amy and Jeremy Bullard
 Grandson of Kathy and Dan Ellwood



BAPTISMS

Feb. 19 Sloane Francis Steele



WEDDINGS

Feb. 19 Lila Irene Ontiveros and Charles Randall Flores



SYMPATHY

Jan. 14 Jo Nell Marshall
Feb. 3 Elsworth Tonn

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

SERMON NOTES

OTHER READINGS FOR THE DAY

THE PSALM Psalm 99

The Lord is King; let the people tremble; he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake. The Lord is great in Zion; he is high above all peoples. Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; he is the Holy One. "O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob." Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and fall down before his footstool; he is the Holy One. Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, they called upon the Lord, and he answered them. He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them. O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds. Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and worship him upon his holy hill; for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

THE EPISTLE 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit. Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

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:

Shelly Bain	Debra Ibarra Mayfield	Jim Stokes
Cia Baze	Brittney Jacobson	Aaron Strong
Jack Beeson	John Jamail	Susan Strother
Missy Belote	Shirlee Jamail	Paul Stumpff
Anne Berry	Helen Joyner	Nancy Talbot
Alli Blackman	Muriel Kearby Albaral	Paul Therrien
Cory Blackman	Paige Laird	Millie Tonn
Grace Blake	Amy Lee	H. Michael Tyson
Dianne Brock	Stan Leong	Randy Vander Naillen
Harry Burrow	Shawn Levenson	Becky Wareing
Jane Cabes	Nancy Liles	Charles Warren
Elinor Christian	Martha Ann Linden	Mary Waters
Higdon Compton, Jr.	Roberta Lloyd	Derry Wilkens
Beth Costa	Ryan Logan	James Wilkerson
Gail Davis	Jaclyn Manning	Eric Zoerb
Mac Davis	Jeffrey Martinson	Ben
Sue Davis	BD McAndrew	Betsey
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2nd Lt. Alex Mullen
Lt. Holly E. Pace
Lt. Paul Piana
LCMR David A. Pilko
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