### FEAST OF ST. MARTIN

### November 6, 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.



### 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

Bune J. Luna, Jr. +

### **Prayers Before Worship**

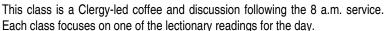
O Lord, we thank You that You have called us as members of Your family into this beautiful house of God. Grant that here we may feel Your presence and the beauty of Your peace, and that, as we return to our homes and work, we may sense Your guiding hand and loving care and be used in the service of our 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

### **NOVEMBER 6**

### **Adults**

8+ with the Rev. Dick Elwood 8:55-9:25 a.m. | Chapel Reception Hall





Christian Education for Adults, Children's Ministry and 7-1-7 Students at 10:15 a.m. will not be offered today so all may take part in the Parish Family Picture on The Church Plaza.

For more information about Adult Christian Education, email Amanda DeViney at adeviney@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

### Music Ministry

### Young Singers of St. Martin's

8:15 a.m. | Rehearsal in Children's Life Center 9:15 a.m. | Family Table service in Parish Life Center

Young Singers of St. Martin's, for grades 1-12, make joyful and beautiful music while affording them a special place in the worship services at St. Martin's.

For more information about Young Singers of St. Martin's email yssm@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

### **NOVEMBER 7-12**

### **Adults**

### Saintly Stitchers

Monday, Nov. 7 10 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.

### **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Tuesday, Nov. 8 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.

### **Blanket Ministry**

Wednesday, Nov. 9 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.

#### **Church Tours**

Wednesday, Nov. 9 10:45-11:15 a.m. | Christ Chapel 11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m. | The Church

The Church and Christ Chapel will be open for visitors. The Docent Guild offers a formal tour of The Church at 11:30 a.m. To schedule a group tour, please contact the Docent Line at 713-830-4117. For more information, contact the Rev. Sharron Cox at scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

### St. Clare's Needlepoint Guild

Wednesday, Nov. 9 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. 9 4:30-6 p.m. | Vestry Conference Room and via Zoom

Learn and grow in the practice of prayer for healing, with an opportunity to train as an OSL prayer minister. For more information, contact the Rev. Sharron Cox at scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

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

Wednesday, Nov. 9 7-8:45 p.m. | Off-site

Join our young adults as they share fellowship and dinner. For more information, contact the Rev. Wesley Arning at rwarning@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

#### Parish Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, Nov. 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 Dr. David Henning at dhenning@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

### Sterling's Market

Saturday, Nov. 5 | Rain or Shine 9 a.m.-1 p.m. | 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. For more information and to volunteer, contact info@sterlingsmarket.org.

### Men

#### Men of St. Martin's

Thursday, Nov. 10 7-8 a.m. | Bagby Parish Hall

This men's group meets for fellowship, mutual support and Bible study. This fall, we are studying the Book of Romans. No registration is necessary to attend the discussions. For more information, contact the Rev. John Sundara at jsundara@stmartinsepiscopal.org

### Dads' Bible Study

Thursday, Nov. 10 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, Nov. 8 – Evening Group 6:30–8 p.m. | Children's Life Center and via Zoom Thursday, Nov. 10 – Morning Group 9:30–11:30 a.m. | Parish Life Center and via Zoom



LIFEgrou

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

### The Moms' Group

Wednesday, Nov. 9 9:15–10:30 a.m. | Student Life Center Lounge

Join mothers of infants through grade 12 students for a book study of "Risen Motherhood: Gospel Hope for Everyday Moments" by Emily Jensen and Laura Wilfer. For more information, contact the Rev. Jane Ferguson at jferguson@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

### 7-I-7 Students

### Life Groups

Wednesday, Nov. 9 6–8 p.m. | Student Life Center

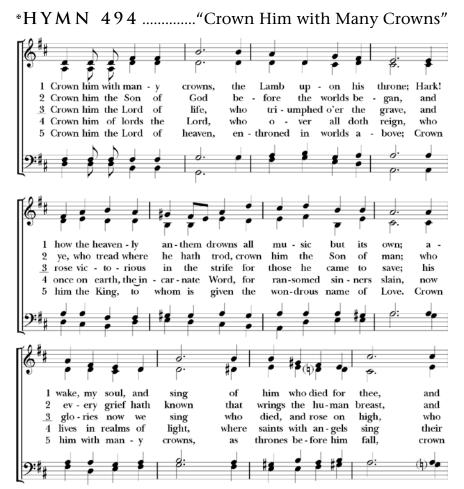
Students in grades 6-12 connect with their peers for fun activities and great discussions about faith and life. Please bring \$5 to cover the cost of dinner. For more information, contact the Rev. Jane Ferguson at jferguson@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

### HOLY EUCHARIST

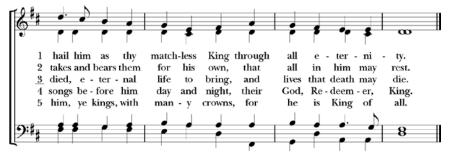
Holy Eucharist at 8 a.m. is a spoken service. Musical pieces in this booklet will be skipped or replaced by spoken liturgy, as noted.

### VOLUNTARY.. "Praise Him with Drums and Cymbals" Sigfrid Karg-Elert

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



<sup>\*</sup>indicates when latecomers may be seated so as not to disturb other worshipers



Words: Matthew Bridges (1800-1894); Music: Diademata, George Job Elvey (1816-1893).

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. and 11:15 a.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

Lord God of hosts, you clothed your servant Martin the soldier with the spirit of sacrifice, and set him as a bishop in your Church to be a defender of the catholic faith: Give us grace to follow in his holy steps, that at the last we may be found clothed with righteousness in the dwellings of peace; 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 LESSON ...... Isaiah 58:6-12

Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rearguard. Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

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

All stand.

### \*HYMN 482 (vs. 1-2) ....."Lord of All Hopefulness"



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Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to Matthew.

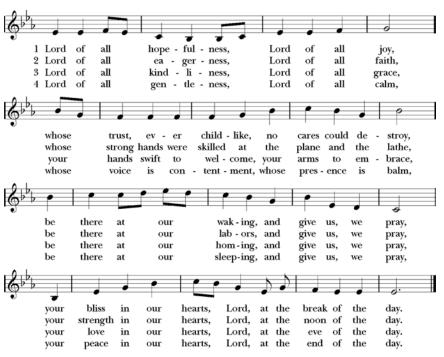
People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."

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

The remaining lectionary for the day is on page 37.





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### Please be seated.

THE SERMON ..... The Rev. Chris Bowhay

### THE NICENE CREED

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 (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, Hector and Scott; 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 the security and safety of all those in Ukraine; for victims of terror attacks; for an end to war and conflict; for first responders; for those suffering from the effects of the Coronavirus; for health care workers; for victims of natural disasters; for those in the hospitals,\_\_; for those for 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

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen**.

Minister says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

### Minister and People

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

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.



### **About Our Patron Saint**

Martin, one of the patron saints of France, was born in 316 at Sabaria, the modern Szombathely in Hungary. His early years were spent in Pavia in Italy. After a term of service in the Roman army, he traveled about Europe, and finally settled in Poitiers, whose bishop, Hilary, he had come to admire.

According to an old legend, while Martin was still a catechumen, he was approached by a poor man, who asked for alms in the name of Christ. Martin, drawing his sword, cut off part of his military cloak and gave it to the beggar. On the following night, Jesus appeared to Martin, clothed in half a cloak, and said to him, "Martin, a simple catechumen, covered me with this garment."

Hilary ordained Martin to the presbyterate sometime between 350 and 353, and Martin, inspired by the new monastic movement stemming from Egypt, established a hermitage at nearby Ligug. To his dismay, he was appointed Bishop of Tours in 371. He agreed to serve only if he were allowed to continue his strict, ascetic habit of life. His monastery of Marmoutier, near Tours, had a great influence on the development of Celtic monasticism in Britain, where Ninian, among others, promoted Martin's ascetic and missionary ideals. The oldest church in Canterbury, which antedates the Anglo-Saxon invasions, is dedicated to St. Martin.

Martin was unpopular with many of his episcopal colleagues, both because of his manner of life and because of his strong opposition to their violent repression of heresy. He was a diligent missionary to the pagan folk of the countryside near his hermitage, and was always a staunch defender of the poor and the helpless.

Martin died on November 11, 397. His shrine at Tours became a popular site for pilgrimages, and a secure sanctuary for those seeking protection and justice.

from "Lesser Feasts and Fasts"

# ST. MARTIN'S Day

## CHRIS BOWHAY

**SUNDAY, NOV. 6** 8, 9 AND 11:15 AM THE CHURCH

The Rev. Chris Bowhay serves as the 30th Rector at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Columbia, Tenn. First ordained in Washington, D.C. in 1972. the Rev. Bowhay re-entered ministry at St. Martin's Episcopal Church in 2004 where he served, at various times, as Director of Singles, Family, Youth and Outreach Ministries until he accepted a call to become Rector of St. Thomas' Church and School in Houston. He and his wife, Sally, live on a farm surrounded by sheep and cows.



PARISH FAMILY PICTURE 10:15 a.m. The Church Plaza







### TOUR A GOTHIC-STYLE CHURCH WITHOUT LEAVING HOUSTON!

**SUNDAY, NOV. 6** Following the 11:15 a.m. service Meet in the Narthex

St. Martin's docents offer free, public and private tours. Everyone is welcome regardless of religious affiliation. To schedule a tour, please call St. Martin's Docent Guild at 713-830-4117 and leave a contact name and number for a return call.

### **VETERANS DAY**

AT ST. MARTIN'S

### SUNDAY, NOV. 6 6 P.M. • THE CHURCH

Former U.S. Army Captain and Houston native, Wesley Hunt, will lead the service. As our guest preacher, he will lead a lineup of accomplished veterans, leaders and speakers from our Parish and beyond. This is one of St. Martin's signature services. Those who attend gain a better understanding and deeper respect for the men and women of all branches of the armed forces who serve their country.



Wesley Hunt U.S. Army Captain



## GIVING OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT ST. MARTIN'S GARDENS





Parishioners who wish to make a memorial gift to St. Martin's beautiful gardens can provide donations for teak garden benches and table-and-chair sets. Opportunities begin at \$3,000. Durable teak furniture offers quiet seating areas surrounded by trees, flowers, shrubs and fountains.

These special places furnish tranquility and comfort to visitors and Parishioners whether they stop by for a few minutes or a few hours.

To learn more about these giving opportunities, contact Carol Gallion, Administrative Associate to the Rector at cgallion@stmartinsepiscopal.org or 713-985-3813.





# Membership 101

### **MONDAY, NOV. 7**

Bagby Parish Hall and via Zoom 6–9 p.m.
Dinner will be served.

Reservations are required by 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov 6. To R.S.V.P., contact Kathy Johnson at kjohnson@stmartinsepiscopal.org or 713-985-3834.

Learn more about the mission and core values of St. Martin's and broaden your understanding of our ministries and your role in the Church during this membership class that will include an instructed Eucharist, a presentation by St. Martin's Rector, the Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson, Jr., and a question-and-answer session by Kathy Johnson, Director of Membership.



# Activity Center

### **PAINT TURKEYS**

Tuesday, Nov. 8 | 10-11 a.m. Fellowship Room

Gobble some treats while you paint a fall festive turkey on canvas with acrylic paint.

For more information about the extended Activity Center calendar, visit bit.ly/smecactivitycenter



# DAY GROUP



### 1–2:30 p.m. | Wednesday, Nov. 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 Amanda DeViney at adeviney@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

# Witness to Dignity

The Life and Faith of George H.W. and Barbara Bush

by The Rev. Russell J. Levenson, Jr.

- **NOW AVAILABLE** - in St. Martin's Gift Shoppe



### NATIONAL BOOK LAUNCH RECEPTION at St. Martin's

6 p.m. • Wednesday, Nov. 9 • Parish Life Center Presentation - Signing Opportunities - Commemorate Book Plates



"I had the pleasure of knowing President George H.W. Bush and the wonderful former first lady Barbara Bush. But nowhere near as well as my friend Reverend Dr. Russell Levenson. In reading 'Witness to Dignity,' I know you will enjoy getting to know them through the eyes and heart of their devoted pastor and friend."

 Gary Sinise, Actor and Chairman of the Gary Sinise Foundation



"Moving, deeply personal, written with humor and humility, Russ Levenson's book, 'Witness to Dignity' captures the faith and family values of George H.W. and Barbara Bush in a way that will inspire the reader regardless of their personal beliefs or political leanings. A remarkable addition to the legacy of our 41st President."

- Admiral William H. McRaven, U.S. Navy (Retired)



"Take it from a Catholic, this gifted Episcopalian
Reverend knows how to inspire, and in reflecting on
the lives of George and Barbara Bush, he knows what
"inspiring" is as well. There is a great humility and dignity
to the entire Bush family, and I clearly see where it
starts, and where it remains."

Neil Cavuto, Senior Vice President, Managing Editor,
 Your World with Neil Cavuto and Cavuto Live, Fox News;
 Cavuto: Coast to Coast. Fox Business Network



"Reverend Levenson was a dear friend and spiritual mentor to both my beloved grandparents. His stories of friendship will fill you with hope and inspire grace."

— Jenna Bush Hager, Co-Host, NBC News' TODAY with Hoda & Jenna



"To whom much is given, the scriptures teach us, much is expected, and George and Barbara Bush always sought to keep this injunction in mind. They were not perfect, but as Russell Levenson's personal and pastoral memoir tells us, they strove to be faithful people of God. Which is, when you think about it, an illuminating lesson for the rest of us."

— Jon Meacham, Pulitzer Prize-winning Author and Renowned Presidential Historian



"Russ Levenson's "Witness to Dignity" is a beautiful tribute to God and the faith of George H.W. and Barbara Bush that sustained them during their lives. They shared so much of themselves with the world, and now 'Witness to Dignity' helps us better understand how to conduct ourselves in the same gracious ways."

 Dana Perino, White House Press Secretary to President George W. Bush and a Fox News anchor and co-host.



### Friday, Nov. 11 • 7 p.m. • The Church • Free Admission

Under the baton of Dr. Brian Runnels, the Houston Civic Symphony returns to St. Martin's for a special concert. Since 1967, the organization has provided a creative outlet for highly talented musicians to perform a masterful symphonic repertoire for the Houston community.



Saturday, Nov. 12 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Sage and Woodway sterlingsmarket.org

# Celebrating Thankfulness

Stop by the Sterling's Market Volunteer Booth and post a note on the "Give Thanks" board to show all for which you are thankful.

Shop unique treasures from local farmers and artisans.

Proceeds benefit St. Martin's Outreach Ministries in our community.





# Thanksgiving

GIVING TREE CARDS

Give to Outreach and honor a loved one on a special occasion through The Giving Tree.

The Giving Tree is a branch of St. Martin's Outreach Ministries, offering Parishioners and the surrounding community the opportunity to honor a loved one on a special occasion.

Cards are sold in St. Martin's Gift Shoppe or online.

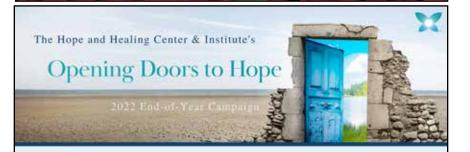
Deadline to orders is Monday, Nov. 14.
For more information, visit bit.ly/thanksgivinggivingtree





Remember a loved one with poinsettias decorating The Church at Christmas. All requests received by 5 p.m. Monday, Nov. 21, 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. (case sensitive)

For more information, contact Rebekah Maddux El-Hakam at 713-830-4146 or relhakam@stmartinsepsicopal.org.



### Did you know? 🍹

According to a survey, the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) reported that approximately 64% of people with a diagnosed mental illness find that the holidays make their condition worse.

As the holidays approach, the Hope and Healing Center & Institute is dedicated to serving those struggling with mental health issues and addiction now more than ever.

To give to our Opening Doors to Hope campaign and make a difference in lives of those in your community, visit hopeandhealingcenter.org/GIVE



2023 Stewardship is here! Please join us and prayerfully consider a pledge and how you will serve St. Martin's in the coming year. We are counting on our Parish Family to be All-In just as our founders were 70 years ago.



Please scan this QR code or visit bit.ly/smec2023stewardship to make your pledge online.

Questions? Contact Ashley Pratka, Director of Development, at *apratka@stmartinsepiscopal.org* or 346-335-8658.





TEXT
Text SMEC to 73256



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Houston, TX 77056



**ONLINE** bit.ly/smecgiving



### **BEQUESTS**

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



### TRANSFER OF ASSETS

Pledging and setting up a recurring gift online helps you and the church budget.

LEARN MORE AT: STMARTINSEPISCOPAL.ORG/GIVING

### THE OFFERTORY

ANTHEM ....."Draw Us in the Spirits Tether"
Harold Fridell

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

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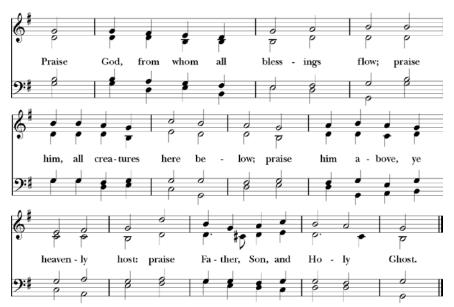
### AT THE PRESENTATION

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

Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord;

People: And of thine own have we given thee.

DOXOLOGY ......Old 100th



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

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (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.

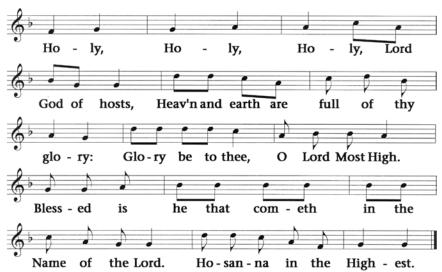
It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Who in the obedience of thy saints hast given us an example of righteousness, and in their eternal joy a glorious pledge of the hope of our calling.

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.)



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The Celebrant continues (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

People and Celebrant

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

### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

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

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

FRACTION ANTHEM ......Celtic Alleluia



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Then may be said

### PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

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.

Distribution of the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist. Please tell the priest administering Communion if you wish to receive a gluten-free wafer.

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Ave verum corpus, natum Ex Maria Virgine, Vere passum, immolatum In cruce pro homine. Cujus latus perforatum Vero fluxit sanguine; Esto nobis praegustatum, Mortis in examine. O Clemens, O pie, O dulcis Jesu, Fili Mariae.

Jesus, Word of God Incarnate, Of the Virgin Mary born, On the Cross for us Thy Body suffered pain and cruel scorn. By the blood and water cleanse us, Flowing from Thy pierced Side; With Thy broken Body feed us, When in death we must abide. O Sweetest, O kindest, O Jesus, Son of Mary, O hear us.

Music: Edward Elgar; Edited by Philip Brunelle.





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### HYMN ....."Lord, Prepare Me to be a Sanctuary"



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## After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.

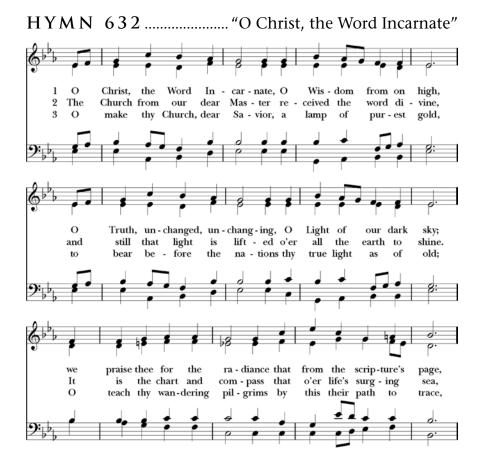
Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate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

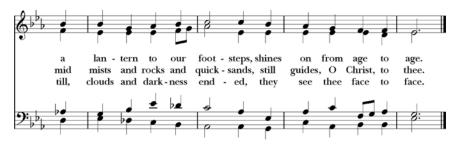
At 9 and 11:15 a.m., after the Post-Communion Prayer, members of the Shepherd's Guild may come forward. The priest or deacon gives the Sacrament to the Eucharistic visitors, saying

In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us the Communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body, because we share one bread, one cup. **Amen**.

### THE BLESSING

All stand.





Words: William Walsham How (1823–1897), alt.; Music: Munich, melody from Neu-vermehrtes und zu †bung Christl. Gottseligkeit eingerichtetes Meiningisches Gesangbuch, 1693; adapt. and harm. Felix Mendelssohn (1807–1847).

### 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.

### ST. MARTIN TAPESTRY IN THE NARTHEX



Martin, a Roman soldier preparing to be baptized in about 348, cut his military cloak in half and gave one part to a poor man requesting alms in the name of Christ. The tapestry was designed by Jacque Lamy and hand-woven in the traditional manner in the Aubusson region of France by Ateliers Pinton (est. 1515). The artist's image was faithfully reproduced using thousands of hand-dyed wool threads and hand-woven into a beautiful tapestry.

### RECOGNITIONS



### FLOWERS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

On the occasion of their marriage

by Katherine Elizabeth Chernosky and Richard Alexander Barclay

In thanksgiving for the ministry of the Rev. Chris Bowhay

In memory of Earl Lester, Jr.

by Linda and John Griffin, Laura and Jack Schuhmacher, and Allison and Philip Lorenzo



### BIRTHS

Sept. 26 Ashby Hampton Scully

Daughter of Elizabeth and Patrick Scully

Granddaughter of Kathy Scully



### BAPTISMS

Oct. 29 Collins Louise Chaney

Perry Alice Thanheiser



### WEDDINGS

Oct. 29 Katy Ruth Rose Gallion and Andrew Robert Bouffard



### SYMPATHY

Oct. 26 Robert Delane "Dub" Maedgen, Jr.

Oct. 30 Kenneth Gavin Watler, Sr.

To mark a special occasion with an altar flower dedication, visit bit.ly/smecaltarflowers or contact Rebekah Maddux El-Hakam at 713-830-4146.

### OTHER READING FOR THE DAY

### THE PSALM ......Psalm 15

Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? Who may abide upon your holy hill? Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, who speaks the truth from his heart. There is no guile upon his tongue; he does no evil to his friend; he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor. In his sight the wicked is rejected, but he honors those who fear the Lord. He has sworn to do no wrong and does not take back his word. He does not give his money in hope of gain, nor does he take a bribe against the innocent. Whoever does these things shall never be overthrown.



### WINDOW 21B CLOSE-UP

St. Martin, a 4th century Roman soldier, was sent as a young man to Gaul. On a bitterly cold day, Martin met a half-naked beggar. Having already given away all but the clothes on his back and his arms. but seeing no one else who would help the man, the young Martin drew his sword and halved his own cloak to clothe the shivering man. In his sleep, St. Martin saw Jesus Christ wearing the half-cloak he had given away. The vision inspired him to new ardor in the practice of his faith. Withdrawing from the military, he chose a monastic life, devoted to following the example of Christ. Eventually, he was persuaded to become a Bishop of Tours, but he continued in his profound humility and austere life. His saint's day is Nov. 11, traditionally celebrated with a goose dinner. There is poetic justice to this tradition, considering the legend that geese betrayed him with their gabbling when St. Martin tried to hide in a stall and escape his appointment as bishop.

### 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:

**Bobbie Adams** Kiersten Dyke Ryan Logan Jim Easterling Jeri Ann Adams Marie Lord Carolyn Alban Stacey and John Elliott Jaclyn Manning Harvey Altmann Mayfield Family Greg Martin Katie Altmann Charles Flores **Brad Martin** Patsy Angel Michael Foster **Jeffrey Martinson** Stephen Archer Matt Fryar Pat Marymee Shelly Bain Brad Gallion Janet McDaniel Susan Beeley Max Goodloe Michelle McStravick Jack Beeson Nancy Gore Nicole Morrison Hollis, McKay and Missy Belote Christine Nguyen Anne Berry Rand Grace Benice Nwabueze Alli Blackman Shea Guinn Judy and Jay O'Connor Cory Blackman Gladys Halbouty Nwora Onwuzulu Grace Blake Connie Haney Iim Paddock Molly Hardy Barrett **Jose Luis Bravo** Russell Pae Walesk Harvey Dianne Brock Troy Phillips Susie C. Hatfield Jimmy Prentice Harrison Brown Ophelia Pujol Pastor Brown Elizabeth Hill Mollie Hill Barbara Ouackenbush Harry Burrow **Jane Cabes** Jeff Holden Michael Reade Don Cheatham Kim Holway Robert Rosales Elinor Christian Susan Rovello Nicole Jabbari Higdon Compton, Jr. Ronnie Jacobe, Jr. Baker Rudolph Lynn Conine Lynda Jones **Brady Samuelson** Beth Costa Lynda Jones David Samuelson Pat Jones John Dacus **Jim Sanitato** Muriel Kearby Albaral Gail Davis Molly Scarbrough Mac Davis Paige Laird Ellie Schilling Sue Davis Sherman Lasker Helen and Jim Shaffer Tommy W. Davis Amy Lee Megan Sharkey Louis DelHomme Clif Shoemake Stan Leong Bobby deSosa McKenna Letsos Richard Smith Betty DeVerter Shawn Levenson Rvan Smith Chase Dixon Nancy Liles William and Betsy Smith Katharine Dorinda Martha Ann Linden Mark Solomons Ross Dunn Roberta Lloyd **Bob Spencer** 

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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Mimi Thobae
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Millie Tonn
Jane Touchstone
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Mae Joyce and

Charles Warren
Charles Werlla
James Wilkerson
Roger Williams
Tim Womack
Eric Zoerb
Angela
Anne
Barbara
Ben
Betsey
Casey
Dean
Elizabeth
Eric and Family

Landry
Laura
Lauren
Leslie
Lorrie
Marilyn
Mark
Mary Jane
Matthew
Naomi
RC
Sally
Thomas
Victor and Barbara

Randy Vander Naillen Mae Joyce and Grant Wagner Janice Waits Murphy Becky Wareing

Henry Jana Jane Kathryn Willie Woody

### Names we have received of those in the Armed Forces:

SSgt Clint Bahme
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1st Lt. Benjamin Brown
Lt. Col. Chris Davis
Wesley Dodd
James Drury III
James Eilers
Major Parker Firestone
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