

THE DAY OF PENTECOST: WHITSUNDAY

May 28, 2023



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

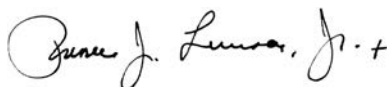
FROM THE RECTOR

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.

NOTICES

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

St. Martin's asks that anyone coming into a worship service not bring oversized or large backpacks.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARTIN'S

MAY 28

Christian Education for Adults, Children's Ministry and 7-1-7 Students will not be offered today in observance of Memorial Day. Please join us next Sunday, June 4, when Christian Education classes resume.

St. Martin's Campus will be closed Monday, May 29, in observance of Memorial Day. We will reopen Tuesday, May 30.

MAY 29-JUNE 3

Adults

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Tuesday, May 30

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. Sharron Cox at 713-830-4131 or scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

Blanket Ministry

Wednesday, May 31

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. Sharron Cox at 713-830-4131 or scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

Church Tours

Wednesday, May 31

11 a.m.-noon | The Church

The Docent Guild offers a formal tour of The Church. To schedule a group tour or special tours of The Church windows, Christ Chapel or Campus gardens, please contact the Docent Line at 713-830-4117. For more information, contact the Rev. Sharron Cox at 713-830-4131 or scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

St. Clare's Needlepoint Guild

Wednesday, May 31

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. Sharron Cox at 713-830-4131 or scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

Order of St. Luke (OSL) Healing Ministry Study Group

Wednesday, May 31

4:30-6 p.m. | Children's Life Center 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 713-830-4131 or scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

Parish Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, June 1

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 713-985-3820 or dhenning@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 "Come Holy Spirit"

Dieterich Buxtehude

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

*HYMN 512 "Come, Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove"

1 Come, gra - cious Spi - rit, heav - ly Dove, with light and
 2 The light of truth to us dis - play, and make us
 3 Lead us to Christ, the liv - ing Way, nor let us
 4 Lead us to heaven, that we may share full - ness of

com - fort from a - bove; be thou our guard - ian,
 know and choose thy way; plant ho - ly fear in
 from his pre - cepts stray; lead us to ho - li -
 joy for ev - er there; lead us to God, our

thou our guide; o'er ev - ery thought and step pre - side.
 ev - ery heart, that we from thee may ne'er de - part.
 ness, the road that we must take to dwell with God.
 fin - al rest, to be with him for ev - er blest.

Words: Simon Browne (1680–1732), alt.; Music: Mendon, melody from Methodist Harmonist, 1981; adapt. and harm. Lowell Mason (1792–1872).

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Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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.*)

The musical score is written for two voices (Soprano and Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in 4/4 time and B-flat major. The lyrics are: "Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me, Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me. Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me." The score consists of four systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (Soprano and Bass) and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are written below the vocal lines. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and single notes. The score ends with a double bar line.

Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me,

Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me.

Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray. (*kneel*)

The Celebrant says the Collect

Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE LESSONActs 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs – in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the

prophet Joel: ‘In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

All stand.

HYMN 510 (*vs. 1-2*)..... “Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove”

1 Come, Ho - ly Spi - rit, hea - ven - ly Dove, with all thy quick - ening powers;
 2 See how we tri - fle here be - low, fond of these earth - ly toys;
 3 In vain we tune our for - mal songs, in vain we strive to rise:
 4 Come, Ho - ly Spi - rit, hea - ven - ly Dove, with all thy quick - ening powers;

kin - dle a flame of sa - cred love in these cold hearts of ours.
 our souls, how heav - i - ly they go, to reach e - ter - nal joys.
 ho - san - nas lan - guish on our tongues, and our de - vo - tion dies.
 come, shed a - broad a Sa - vior's love, and that shall kin - dle ours.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674–1748), alt.; Music: *Saint Agnes*, John Bacchus Dykes (1823–1876).

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

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

THE GOSPELJohn 20:19-23

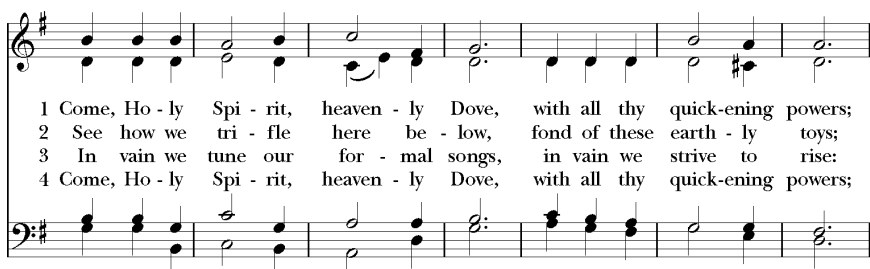
When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

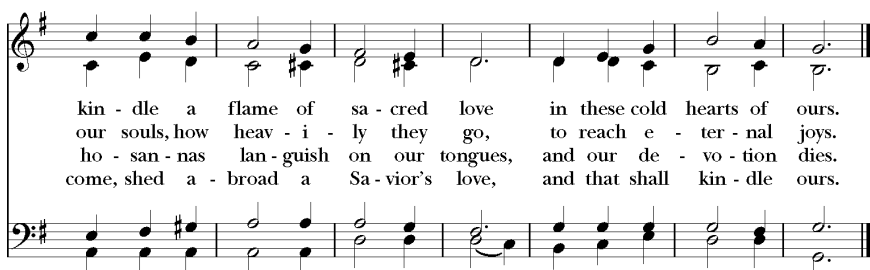
People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The lectionary for the day is on page 22.

HYMN 510 (vs. 3-4)..... “Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove”



1 Come, Ho - ly Spi - rit, hea - ven - ly Dove, with all thy quick - ening powers;
2 See how we tri - fle here be - low, fond of these earth - ly toys;
3 In vain we tune our for - mal songs, in vain we strive to rise;
4 Come, Ho - ly Spi - rit, hea - ven - ly Dove, with all thy quick - ening powers;



kin - dle a flame of sa - cred love in these cold hearts of ours.
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ho - san - nas lan - guish on our tongues, and our de - vo - tion dies.
come, shed a - broad a Sa - vior's love, and that shall kin - dle ours.

Words: Medieval Jewish liturgy; tr. Max Landsberg (1845–1928) and Newton M. Mann (1836–1926); Music: *Leoni*, Hebrew melody; harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1985, alt.

Please be seated.

THE SERMON “Longing for the Holy Spirit”
The Rev. Sharron L. Cox

THE NICENE CREED *(stand)*

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 Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our
Presiding Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Kai and Hector, our bishops; the Clergy
of this Parish; in the Anglican Communion cycle of prayer, for the
Extra-Provincial Churches; for all bishops, priests and deacons.

That they may be faithful ministers of thy Word and Sacraments.

We pray for Joe, our President, Greg, our Governor, Sylvester, our
Mayor, and the Congress and the Courts; and 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.

We pray for those for whom our prayers have been requested,
especially ____; for those who are hospitalized, especially ____; and for
those on our continuing prayer list; have compassion on those who
suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

We pray for those who have died, especially ____; give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We give thee thanks for all the blessings of this life, especially those remembered today with Altar flowers, ____; and we praise thee for thy saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in thy heavenly kingdom.

In this moment of silence, let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

A period of silence, during which people may add their own petitions quietly 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.

A moment of silence is observed.

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.

Celebrant 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 see page 26 for upcoming events.

Please be seated.

THE OFFERTORY

ANTHEM “Come Down, O Love Divine”
William H. Harris

Come down, O Love divine, seek thou this soul of mine, and visit it with thine own ardour glowing; O Comforter draw near, within my heart appear, and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing. O let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn to dust and ashes in its heat consuming; and let thy glorious light shine ever on my sight, and clothe me round, and while my path illuming. Let holy charity mine outward vesture be, and lowliness become mine inner clothing: true lowliness of heart, which takes the humbler part, and o’er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing. And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long, shall far outpass the power of human telling; for none can guess its grace, till he become the place wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling. Amen.

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AT THE PRESENTATION *(stand)*

(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

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.

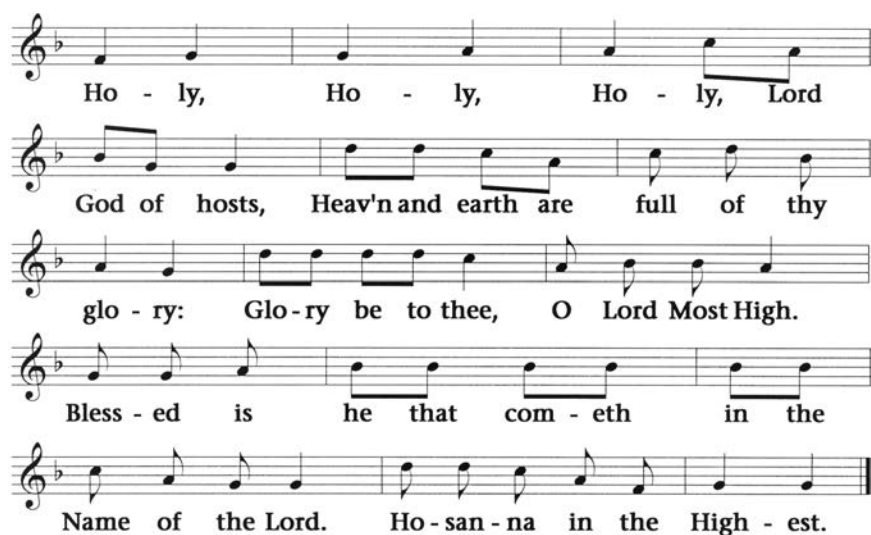
It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; according to whose true promise the Holy Ghost came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to thy Church the power to serve thee as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

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



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.

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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

Celebrant and People

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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PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

The Prayer of Humble Access is not a part of our public liturgy until the Second Sunday after Pentecost. You are invited to use it for your private preparation before receiving Communion.

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.

All Christians who have been baptized with water and in the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and are permitted to receive Holy Communion in their own church are welcome to do so on this occasion. If you do not wish to receive one or both Elements, cross your arms over your chest and the Clergy will give you a blessing. Please tell the priest administering Communion if you wish to receive a gluten-free wafer.

ANTHEM “Come, Holy Ghost”
Thomas Attwood

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire, And lighten with celestial fire;
Thou the anointing Spirit art, who dost Thy sevenfold gifts impart:
Thy blessed unction from above is comfort, life and fire of love. Enable
with perpetual light the dullness of our blinded sight: Anoint and cheer
our soiled face. With the abundance of Thy grace: Keep far our foes,
give peace at home where Thou art Guide no ill can come. Teach us to
know the Father, Son, and Thee of Both, to be but One; That through
the ages all along this may be our endless song, Praise to Thy eternal
merit, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Music: Thomas Attwood © 2003 Steve Jones.

HYMN “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

1. Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me
 2. When my way dark - ness ap - pre - cious and the night Lord, lin - ger
 3. When the dark - ness ap - pre - cious and the night Lord, lin - ger draws

stand, near, near, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn,
 When my life is al - most gone,
 And the day is past and gone;

Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the,
 Hear my cry, hear my call, Hold my hand, lest I,
 At the ri - ver I stand, Guide my feet, hold my

light, Take my hand, pre - cious Lord, Lead me on,
 fall, Take my hand, pre - cious Lord, Lead me on,
 hand, Take my hand, pre - cious Lord, Lead me on,

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HYMN “Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”

Turn your eyes up-on Je - sus, Look full in His won-der-ful face; And the

things of earth will grow strange-ly dim In the light of His glo-ry and grace.

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HYMN “There’s a Sweet, Sweet Spirit in This Place”

1. There's a sweet, sweet Spir - it in this place, _____ And I
 (2. There are) bless - ings you can - not re - ceive _____ Till you
 (3. If you) say He saved you from your sin, _____ Now you're -

1. know that it's the Spir - it of _____ the Lord. _____ There are
 2. know Him in His full - ness, and _____ be - lieve. _____ You're the
 3. weak, you're bound, and can - not en - ter in, _____ you can

1. sweet ex - pres - sions on each face, _____ And I
 2. one to pro - fit when you say, _____ “I am
 3. make it right if you will yield; _____ You'll en -

1. know they feel the pres - ence of _____ the Lord. _____
 2. going to walk with Je - sus all _____ the way.” _____
 3. joy the Ho - ly Spir - it that _____ we feel. _____

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After Communion, the Celebrant says (kneel)

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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

May the Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, giving you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and to proclaim the wonderful works of God; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

All stand.

HYMN 516 “Come Down, O Love Divine”

1 Come down, O Love di - vine, seek thou this soul of mine,
 2 O let it free - ly burn, till earth - ly pas - sions turn
 3 And so the year - ing strong, with which the soul will long,

and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;
 to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;
 shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing;

O Com - fort - er, draw near, with - in my heart ap - pear,
 and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,
 for none can guess its grace, till Love cre - ate a place

and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
 and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
 where - in the Ho - ly Spi - rit makes a dwell - ing.

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THE DISMISSAL

Minister: Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing
in the power of the Spirit.

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

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In memory of Clarence P. Alfrey, M.D. on the occasion of his birthday
by his loving family

In memory of Jeannie Barnes
by St. Martin's Altar Guild Group V



BAPTISMS

May 20 Evelyn Marie Boudreaux
Rose Kathryn Johnson
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WEDDINGS

May 20 Hannah Gates Colvin and Jacob Charles Soto

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READINGS FOR THE DAY

THE PSALM Psalm 104:25-35, 37

O Lord, how manifold are your works! in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures. Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number, creatures both small and great. There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, which you have made for the sport of it. All of them look to you to give them their food in due season. You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things. You hide your face, and they are terrified; you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust. You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth. May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; may the Lord rejoice in all his works. He looks at the earth and it trembles; he touches the mountains and they smoke. I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being. May these words of mine please him; I will rejoice in the Lord. Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah!

THE NEW TESTAMENT 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body – Jews or Greeks, slaves or free – and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

SERMON NOTES

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	Michelle McStravick
Carolyn Alban	Kate Moorman
Katie and Harvey Altmann	Andrew O'Malley
Patsy Angel	Bob Paddock
Shelly Bain	Jim Paddock
Denice Bass	Carol Postal
Pam Bentley	Stephen Preston
Cory Blackman	Ophelia Pujols
Dianne Brock	Ted Reed
Nancy Burrows	Helen and Jim Shaffer
Paul Case	Caroline Shanahan
Robin Cogdell	P.K. Sharkey
Higdon Compton, Jr.	Clif Shoemake
Gail Davis	Bob Spencer
Marcella Davis	Jim and Jan Stokes
Susan Davis	Paul Therrien
Tommy W. Davis	Carlotta Thomas
Ross Dunn	John Treanor
Kiersten Dyke	Mae Joyce and Grant Wagner
Stacey and John Elliott	Mike Webb
Charles Flores	Charles Werlla
Nancy Gore	Vern Wilson
Shea Guinn	Eric Zoerb
Cissy Gully	Betsey
Mollie Hill	Charlie
Marilyn Ingham	Elizabeth
Nicole Jabbari	Eric and Family
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Please be advised that we will be updating the Continuing Prayers list twice a year in the weeks before Easter and All Saints' Day. Names will remain on the prayer list for six months. To put someone on the Continuing Prayers list, please contact Valerie Rivera at 713-985-3817 or vriviera@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

CONTINUING PRAYERS

Names we have received of those in the Armed Forces:

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SUNDAY, MAY 28

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St. Martin's International Order of St. Luke (OSL) Healing Community offers a service of prayer for healing and wholeness on the first Wednesday of each month. This short service is held for anyone in need of prayer for themselves, friends or family.

Next Service
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For more information, please contact Amanda DeViney at 713-830-4110
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For assistance, contact Tracee Tindol at
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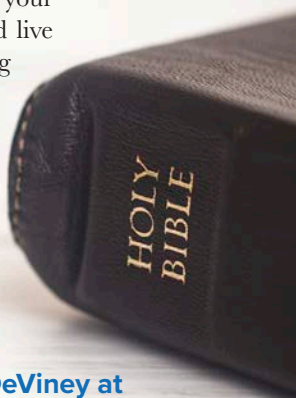


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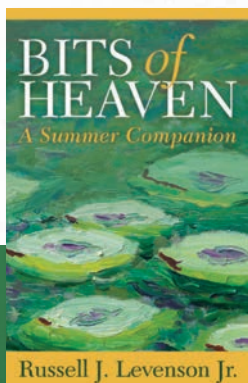
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