

# FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: TRINITY SUNDAY

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*June 4, 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

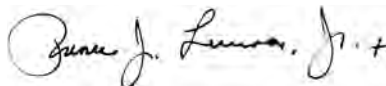
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IN THE NAME OF OUR LORD,  
JESUS CHRIST, WELCOME.

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

## JUNE 4

### Adults

#### **8+ with the Revs. Marty Bastian and Wesley Arning**

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

This class is a Clergy-led coffee and discussion following the 8 a.m. service. Each class focuses on one of the lectionary readings for the day.

#### **Just For Summer**

*The Lectionary Speaks*

10:15-11 a.m. | Bagby Parish Hall

This class will focus on passages from the Sunday lectionary. What is each lesson saying? How do the Old Testament, Psalm, Epistle and Gospel lessons connect with each other? Join us and bring your worship booklet.

#### **Seekers with the Rev. Nick Dyke**

10:15-11 a.m. | Activity Center, Aerobics Room

This class is for more senior parishioners for fellowship and lectionary-based Bible study.

*For more information about Adult Christian Education, contact Amanda DeViney at 713-830-4110 or [adeviney@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:adeviney@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.

***Those who finished fifth grade are now part of Student Ministries.***

*For more information about 7-1-7 Students, contact Florence Ritchie at 713-985-3843 or [students@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:students@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.

*For more information about Children's Ministry, contact Rocio Velazquez at 713-985-3807 or [rvelazquez@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:rvelazquez@stmartinsepiscopal.org).*

## JUNE 5-10

### Adults

**All Activity Center classes beginning before noon will not meet this week due to Vacation Bible School.**

### Church Tours

Wednesday, June 7

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](mailto:scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org).

### St. Clare's Needlepoint Guild

Wednesday, June 7

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](mailto:scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org).

### Parish Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, June 8

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](mailto:dhenning@stmartinsepiscopal.org).

**Sterling's Market**

Saturday, June 10 | Rain or Shine

9 a.m.-1 p.m. | Corner of Woodway and Sage

Sterling's Market at St. Martin's Episcopal Church glorifies God through sharing the Gospel and the bounties of the earth with Parishioners, neighbors and visitors. For more information and to volunteer, contact Sarah-Hampton Cambas at 713-985-3848 or [info@sterlingsmarket.org](mailto:info@sterlingsmarket.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 ..... “Benedictus”

Alec Rowley

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

## \*HYMN 362 ..... “Holy, Holy, Holy”

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord — God Al - might - y!  
\*2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,  
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,  
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord — God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee:  
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
though the sin - ful hu - man eye thy glo - ry may not see,  
All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,  
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,  
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,

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

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.  
 which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.  
 per - fect in power, in love, and pu - ri - ty.  
 God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

Words: Reginald Heber (1783–1826), alt.; Music: *Nicaea*, John Bacchus Dykes (1823–1876).

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 to the Lord, the Al - migh - ty, the King of cre -  
 a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for  
 he is thy health and sal - va - tion;  
 join the great throng, psal - ter - y, or - gan and  
 song, sound - ing in glad a - do - ra - tion.

Words: Joachim Neander (1650–1680); tr. Hymnal 1940, alt.; Music: *Lobe den Herren*, melody from *Erneuerten Gesangbuch*, 1665; harm. *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863.

# THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us pray. *(kneel)*

*The Celebrant says the Collect*

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your Divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

**THE LESSON** .....2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*All stand.*



HYMN 368 (vs. 1-2).....“Holy Father, Great Creator”

1 Ho - ly Fa - ther, great Cre - a - tor, source of mer - cy,  
 2 Ho - ly Je - sus, Lord of glo - ry, whom an - gel - ic  
 3 Ho - ly Spi - rit, Sanc - ti - fi - er, Come with unc - tion  
 4 God the Lord, through ev - ery na - tion let thy won - drous

love, and peace, look up - on the Me - di - a - tor,  
 hosts pro - claim, while we hear thy won - drous sto - ry,  
 from a - bove, touch our hearts with sa - cred fire,  
 mer - cies shine. In the song of thy sal - va - tion

clothe us with his right - eous - ness; heav - ly Fa - ther,  
 meet and wor - ship in thy Name, dear Re - deem - er,  
 fill them with the Sa - vior's love, Source of com - fort,  
 ev - ery tongue and race com - bine. Great Je - ho - vah,

heav - ly Fa - ther, through the Sa - vior hear and bless.  
 dear Re - deem - er, in our hearts thy peace pro - claim.  
 Source of com - fort, cheer us with the Sa - vior's love.  
 great Je - ho - vah, form our hearts and make them thine.

Words: Alexander Viets Griswold (1766–1843), alt.; Music: *Regent Square*, Henry Thomas Smart (1813–1879).

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

**People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

**THE GOSPEL** ..... Matthew 28:16-20

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

*The lectionary for the day is on pages 26-27.*

HYMN 368 (vs. 3-4).....“Holy Father, Great Creator”

1 Ho - ly Fa - ther, great Cre - a - tor, source of mer - cy,  
 2 Ho - ly Je - sus, Lord of glo - ry, whom an - gel - ic  
 3 Ho - ly Spi - rit, Sanc - ti - fi - er, Come with unc - tion  
 4 God the Lord, through ev - ery na - tion let thy won - drous

love, and peace, look up - on the Me - di - a - tor,  
 hosts pro - claim, while we hear thy won - drous sto - ry,  
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*Please be seated.*

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THE SERMON ..... “The Joy of the Holy Spirit”  
*The Rev. John D. Sundara*

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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  
Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria; 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*

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for 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.**

*Please be seated.*

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## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please see page 30 for upcoming events.*

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# EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY (EFM) GRADUATION *(11:15 a.m.)*

Mentor: We present to you Margaret Napier Baker and Carter John O'Rourke, who have completed the four-year program of theological Education for Ministry.

Celebrant: Margaret and Carter, you have given yourself to four years of intensive study and reflection on the Christian life. Do you now wish to recommit yourself to follow Jesus Christ and to serve the world and the Church in His name?

Graduates: I do.

Celebrant: In the name of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and on behalf of the Parish of St. Martin's, I commend you to this ministry and we pledge you our prayers, encouragement, and support.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, look with favor upon those who have affirmed their commitment to follow Christ and serve in His name. Give them courage, patience, and vision; and strengthen us all in our vocation of witness to the world and of service to others; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES

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# THE OFFERTORY

## ANTHEM ..... “Verleih Uns Frieden (Lord, In Thy Mercy)” Felix Mendelssohn

Lord, in thy mercy grant us peace throughout all generations; thou art alone our sword and shield, Lord who dost guide the nations. Defend us, O God, we pray thee.

Text: Martin Luther. Music: Felix Mendelssohn, edited by John Rutter. © 1996 Oxford University Press..

## 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.

For with thy co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, thou art one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Substance; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of thee, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

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.

*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*

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

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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** ..... “O Taste and See”  
Ralph Vaughan-Williams

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is: blest is the man that trusteth in Him.

Text: Psalm xxxiv, v. 8; © 1953, Oxford University Press, London.

H Y M N ..... “Spirit of the Living God”

The image displays a musical score for the hymn "Spirit of the Living God". It is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The score is organized into four systems, each consisting of a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). 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 melody is simple and hymn-like, with a steady accompaniment.

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# HYMN ..... "In the Garden"

1. I come to the gar - den a - lone, While the dew is  
 2. He speaks, and the sound of His voice Is so sweet the  
 3. I'd stay in the gar - den with Him Tho' the night a -

still on the ros - es; And the voice I hear, fall - ing on my ear,  
 birds hush their sing - ing; And the mel - o - dy that He gave to me  
 round me be fall - ing; But He bids me go, thro' the voice of woe;

*Refrain*

The Son of God dis - clos - es.  
 With - in my heart is ring - ing. And He walks with me, and He  
 His voice to me is call - ing.

talks with me, And He tells me I am His own; And the joy we

share as we tar - ry there None oth - er has ev - er known.

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HYMN ..... "Blessed Assurance"

1. Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of  
 2. Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, Vi-sions of rap-ture now  
 3. Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest, I in my Sav-ior am

glo-ry di-vine! Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God,  
 burst on my sight: An-gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove  
 hap-py and blest: Watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove,

Born of his Spir-it, wash'd in his blood.  
 Ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love. This is my sto-ry, this is my  
 Fill'd with his good-ness, lost in his love.

song, Prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long; This is my sto-ry,  
 this is my song, Prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long.

Text: Fanny J. Crosby (1820-1915). Music: Phoebe P. Knapp (1839-1908).



*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 God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace; 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 537 ..... “Christ for the World We Sing”

1 Christ for the world we sing! The world to  
 2 Christ for the world we sing! The world to  
 3 Christ for the world we sing! The world to  
 4 Christ for the world we sing! The world to

Christ we bring with lov - ing zeal; the poor, and  
 Christ we bring with fer - vent prayer; the way - ward  
 Christ we bring with one ac - cord; with us the  
 Christ we bring with joy - ful song; the new - born

them that mourn, the faint and o - ver - borne,  
 and the lost, by rest - less pas - sions tossed,  
 work to share, with us re - proach to - dare,  
 souls, whose days, re - claimed from er - ror's ways.

sin - sick and sor - row - worn, whom Christ doth heal.  
 re - deemed at count - less cost from dark de - spair.  
 with us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.  
 in - spired with hope and praise, to Christ be - long.

Words: Samuel Wolcott (1813–1886); Music: *Moscow*, melody Felice de Giardini (1716–1796); harm. *The New Hymnal*, 1916 based on *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, and Lowell Mason (1792–1892).

# 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

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

## RECOGNITIONS

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### FLOWERS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

In thanksgiving for our Education for Ministry graduates

In thanksgiving for Barbara Higgins

by her children

In memory of Alida Webb

by Education for Ministry graduates and students



### SYMPATHY

May 18

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Mary Jean “Jeannie” Barnes

Anne Bishop Lipscomb

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# READINGS FOR THE DAY

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## THE OLD TESTAMENT .....Genesis 1:1-2:4a

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind.

# READINGS FOR THE DAY

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And God saw that it was good. Then God said, “Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.” So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

## THE PSALM ..... Psalm 8

O Lord our Governor, how exalted is your Name in all the world! Out of the mouths of infants and children your majesty is praised above the heavens. You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, to quell the enemy and the avenger. When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses, what is man that you should be mindful of him? The son of man that you should seek him out? You have made him but little lower than the angels; you adorn him with glory and honor; you give him mastery over the works of your hands; you put all things under his feet: All sheep and oxen, even the wild beasts of the field, the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea. O Lord our Governor, how exalted is your Name in all the world!

# CONTINUING PRAYERS

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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	Janet McDaniel
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Patsy Angel	Kate Moorman
Shelly Bain	Andrew O'Malley
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Pam Bentley	Jim Paddock
Cory Blackman	Carol Postal
Dianne Brock	Stephen Preston
Nancy Burrows	Ophelia Pujols
Paul Case	Ted Reed
Robin Cogdell	Helen and Jim Shaffer
Higdon Compton, Jr.	Caroline Shanahan
Gail Davis	P.K. Sharkey
Marcella Davis	Clif Shoemake
Susan Davis	Bob Spencer
Tommy W. Davis	Jan and Jim Stokes
Ross Dunn	Paul Therrien
Kiersten Dyke	Carlotta Thomas
Stacey and John Elliott	John Treanor
Nancy Ellison	Mae Joyce and Grant Wagner
Charles Flores	Mike Webb
Nancy Gore	Charles Werlla
Shea Guinn	Vern Wilson
Cissy Gully	Eric Zoerb
Mollie Hill	Charlie
Marilyn Ingham	Elizabeth
Nicole Jabbari	Eric and family
Mary Anne Kannard	Henry
Amy Lacy	Holden
Stan Leong	Jay
Shawn Levenson	Laura
Patricia Levy	Len
Nancy Liles	Martha
Nicole Lockney	Mary Jane
Ryan Logan	Susan
Marie Lord	
Jeffrey Martinson	
Jack Mayfield	

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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](mailto:vriviera@stmartinsepiscopal.org).

# CONTINUING PRAYERS

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 SERVICE OF PRAYER FOR  
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**Next Service**  
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**Bagby Parish Hall or via Zoom**  
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