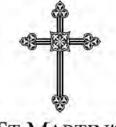
## THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## June 18, 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

# 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.

Bunne J. Luma . Jr. +

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

#### **Prayers Before Worship**

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

#### 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 18

#### Adults

#### 8+ with the Rev. Alex Graham

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.

#### 7-I-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.

#### **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.

## **JUNE 19-24**

#### Adults

The Campus is closed Monday, June 19, in observance of the Juneteenth holiday. We will reopen on Tuesday, June, 20.

#### Prayer Shawl Ministry

Tuesday, June 20 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, June 21 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, June 21 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, June 21 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, June 21 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 22 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

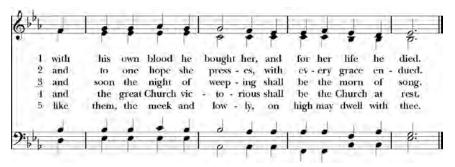
Holy Eucharist at 8 a.m. is a spoken service. Musical pieces in this booklet will be skipped or replaced by spoken liturgy, as noted.

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

\*HYMN 525 ..... "The Church's One Foundation"



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



Words: Samuel John Stone (1839–1900); Music: Aurelia, Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1818–1876).

#### 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.)



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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

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

Please be seated.

As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and behold the face of God? My tears have been my food day and night, while people say to me continually, "Where is your God?" These things I remember, as I pour out my soul: how I went with the throng and led them in procession to the house of God, with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving, a multitude keeping festival. Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God, for I shall again praise him, my help and my God. My soul is cast down within me; therefore I remember you from the land of Jordan and of Hermon, from Mount Mizar. Deep calls to deep at the thunder of your torrents; all your waves and your billows have gone over me. By day the Lord commands his steadfast love, and at night his song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life. I say to God, my rock, "Why have you forgotten me? Why must I walk about mournfully because the enemy oppresses me?" As with a deadly wound in my body, my adversaries taunt me, while they say to me continually, "Where is your God?" Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God, for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

All stand.

HYMN 435 (vs. 1-3)..... "At the Name of Jesus"

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

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for laborers deserve their food."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The lectionary for the day is on page 24.

HYMN 435 (vs. 46)...... "At the Name of Jesus"

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Please be seated.

#### THE SERMON ...... "What Deep Love Heals" The Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson, Jr.

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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 Anglican Church of Australia; 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

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **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.

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please see page 28 for upcoming events.

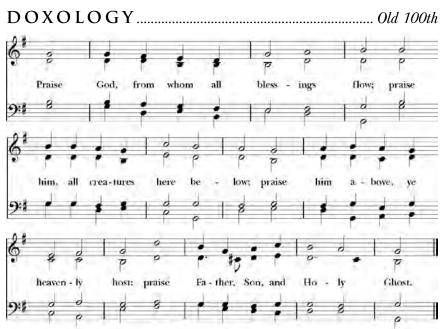
## THE OFFERTORY

Blessed are the men who fear Him, they ever walk in the ways of peace; Through darkness riseth light, light to the upright, He is gracious, compassionate; He is righteous.

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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.



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.	
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Celebrant:	Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.	

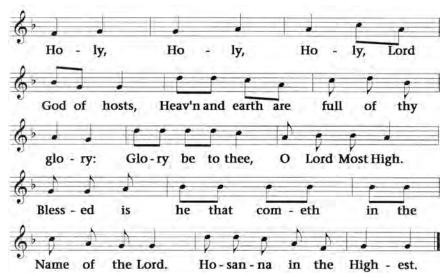
It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

## SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

Celebrant and People



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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 Al le lu ia. al le lu ia! ial ia. al le lu

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## PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

Then may be said by the Celebrant and People

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.

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I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin, My hand will save. I, who made the stars of night, I will make the darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send? Here I am, Lord. Is it I Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have born my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone, I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame, I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide Till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life for them. Whom shall I send?

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HYMN ......"Jesus, Name Above All Names"



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HYMN 599 ..... "Lift Every Voice and Sing" sing till earth and trod, bit - ter the ring, ring with the 1 Lift ev-ery voice and hea - ven road we 2 Ston-y the chas-tening rod, felt in the 3 God of our wea - ry years, God of sì - lent tears, thou who hast our Let our re - joic - ing har - mon ies of lib er - ty. rise ÷ ..... days when hope un - born had died; yet, with a stead - y beat, brought us thus far on the way; thou who hast by thy might skies; let it sound loud high as the lis - tening re as the for which our have not our wea - ry feet come to the place light; keep us the led us in to the for ev cr in roll Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has 2 ing sea. sighed? We have come o - ver a way that with tears has been par 2 ents Lest our feet stray from the pla-ces, our God, where we path. we pray. 4 of the that the pres - ent has taught us; sing a song full hope path through the blood of the wa - tered: we have come, tread - ing our of lest, our hearts drunk with the wine the world, we formet thee;



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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

All stand.

HYMN 368 ..... "Holy Father, Great Creator"

great Cre-a -1 Ho - ly Fa - ther, tor. source of mer - cy. Je - sus, Spi - rit, 2 Ho - ly Lord of glo . whom an gel - ic ry, 3 Ho - ly Sanc - ti - fi -Come with er, unc - tion 4 God the Lord, through ev - ery na - tion let thy won - drous love, and peace, look the di up on Me a tor. 14 hosts pro-claim, while we hear thy won drous Sto - TV. 4 from a - bove, touch hearts with fire. our 53. cred mer - cies shine. In the song of thy sal va - tion with his right-cous - ness; clothe us heaven lv Fa - ther, meet and wor - ship in thy Name, dear Re-deem - er, Sa - vior's love. fill them with the Source of com - fort, race com - bine, - ery tongue and Great Je - ho - vah. ev 0 heaven - ly Fa - ther, through the bless. Sa - vior hear and 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 thine. them

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## THE DISMISSAL

## The Minister says the Dismissal **People:** Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia. ORGAN VOLUNTARY

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

## RECOGNITIONS



FLOWERS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD In thanksgiving for fathers In memory of Richard R. Nelson, Jr. by Marjorie Nelson and family



B A P T I S M S June 10 Harper Rose Rosson Clark Alan Samuelson III



W E D D I N G S June 10 Taylor Clair Barnett and Vincent Andrew Giammalva, Jr.



SYMPATHY June 10 Hugh L. McCulley

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## THE OLD TESTAMENT ..... Exodus 19:2-8a

The Israelites had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God; the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites." So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him. The people all answered as one: "Everything that the Lord has spoken we will do."

## THE EPISTLE ...... Romans 5:1-8

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person – though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. "It is much harder than it sounds to keep our souls centered on God. We hold on tightly, but often to the wrong things ... but staying centered on God ... is the essence of life for the soul."

[Ortberg quoting Christian author Thomas Kelly], "We feel honestly the pull of many obligations and try to fulfill them all ... and we are unhappy, uneasy, strained, oppressed and fearful..."

From "Soul Keeping" by John Ortberg, p. 104

"The great malady of [of our time], implicated in all of our troubles and affecting us individually and socially, is 'loss of soul.' When soul is neglected, it doesn't just go away; it appears symptomatically in obsessions, addictions, violence, and loss of meaning ... emptiness, meaninglessness, vague depression ... disillusionment about marriage, family and relationship, a loss of values, yearning for personal fulfillment, a hunger for spirituality...

"All of these symptoms reflect a loss of soul and let us know what the soul craves. We yearn excessively for entertainment, power, intimacy, sexual fulfillment, and material things, and we think we can find these things if we discover the right relationship or job, the right church or therapy. But without soul, whatever we find will be unsatisfying, for what we truly long for is the soul in each of these areas. Lacking that soulfulness, we attempt together these alluring satisfactions to us in great masses, thinking apparently that quantity will make up for lack of quality..."

From "Care of the Soul" by Thomas Moore, p. xi, xvi-xvii

## 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	Nicole Lockney	Henry
Carolyn Alban	Ryan Logan	Holden
Katie and Harvey Altmann	Marie Lord	Jay
Patsy Angel	Jeffrey Martinson	Laura
Shelly Bain	Jack Mayfield	Len
Denice Bass	Janet McDaniel	Martha
Pam Bentley	Sandra McHenry	Mary Jane
Cory Blackman	Michelle McStravick	Susan
Dianne Brock	Kate Moorman	Tom
Nancy Burrows	Andrew O'Malley	
Paul Case	Bob Paddock	
Robin Cogdell	Jim Paddock	
Higdon Compton, Jr.	Carol Postal	
Gail Davis	Stephen Preston	
Marcella Davis	Ophelia Pujol	
Susan Davis	Heather Rathnau	
Tommy W. Davis	Ted Reed	
Bobby de Sosa	Helen and Jim Shaffer	
Linda de Sosa	Caroline Shanahan	
Ross Dunn	P.K. Sharkey	
Kiersten Dyke	Clif Shoemake	
Stacey and John Elliott	Bob Spencer	
Nancy Ellison	Jan and Jim Stokes	
Charles Flores	Julie Stulken	
Nancy Gore	Paul Therrien	
Shea Guinn	Carlotta Thomas	
Cissy Gully	John Treanor	
Gladys Halbouty	Christine Turner	
Mollie Hill	Mae Joyce and Grant Wagner	
JoLynne Huddelston	Mike Webb	
Marilyn Ingham	Charles Werlla	
Nicole Jabbari	Allison Williams	
Mary Anne Kannard	Walt Williams	
Amy Lacy	Vern Wilson	
Reggie Lang	Eric Zoerb	
Stan Leong	Catherine	
Shawn Levenson	Charlie	
Patricia Levy	Elizabeth	
Nancy Liles	Eric and family	

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

SSgt Clint Bahme Lt. Col. Julian Benton 1st Lt. Benjamin Brown Lt. Col. Chris Davis Wesley Dodd Sgt. James Drury III James Eilers Major Parker Firestone Capt. Dom Flatt 1st Lt. Will Golinkin LCDR Bradley R. Hoffman

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\*Except for July 2. Sunday School will not be offered in observance to Independence Day.

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Contact Tracee Tindol for more information at 713-985-3811 or outreach@stmartinsepiscopal.org.





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For more information, contact Amanda DeViney at adeviney@stmartinsepiscopal.org or 713-830-4110.





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## FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Contact Barbara Piana at 713-830-4116 or worshipcoordinators@stmartinsepiscopal.org.



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