

# THE TRANSFIGURATION

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*August 6, 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

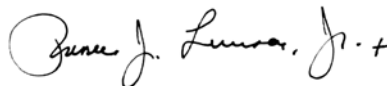
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IN THE NAME OF OUR LORD,  
JESUS CHRIST, WELCOME.

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.*

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

# THIS WEEK AT ST. MARTIN'S

## AUGUST 6

### Adults

#### **8+ with the Rev. Sharron Cox**

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 with the Rev. Sharron Cox**

*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.

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

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

# AUGUST 7-12

## Adults

### Saintly Stitchers

Monday, Aug. 7

10 a.m.-noon | Activity Center, Upper Hall East

Saintly Stitchers fill St. Martin's with pew kneelers and other gifts for worship spaces. For more information, contact the Rev. Sharron Cox at 713-830-4131 or [scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org).

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

Tuesday, Aug. 8

9-11:30 a.m. | Activity Center, Family Room

Knit and crochet shawls to be blessed for those in need of prayer. For more information, contact the Rev. Sharron Cox at 713-830-4131 or [scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org).

### Blanket Ministry

Wednesday, Aug. 9

10-11:30 a.m. | Activity Center, Family Room

Make receiving blankets for newborn infants at local charity hospitals. For more information, contact the Rev. Sharron Cox at 713-830-4131 or [scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org).

### St. Clare's Needlepoint Guild

Wednesday, Aug. 9

Noon-3 p.m. | Activity Center, Upper Hall East

St. Clare's Guild undertakes a variety of needlepoint projects in worship spaces and for outreach programs. For more information, contact the Rev. Sharron Cox at 713-830-4131 or [scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org).

**St. Martin's 20s & 30s with Christ Church Cathedral and St. John the Divine**

*People Problems: Navigating Family, Work and Relationships*

Wednesday, Aug. 9

7-9 p.m. | Off Campus

Building meaningful relationships and creating healthy boundaries can be tricky, especially as a young adult. Whether it is forming new friendships in this season of life, building trust with your spouse or looking for love, we all need a little help navigating our relationships. Join us for this one-night event where three Houston parishes team up to talk about this important topic. We'll hear some helpful tips from an expert and have a chance for Q&A, all the while building community between our three churches. Hors d'oeuvres will be provided. For more information and the location, contact the Rev. Wesley Arning at 346-335-8680 or [rwarning@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:rwarning@stmartinsepiscopal.org).

**Parish Choir Rehearsal**

Thursday, Aug. 10

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).

**Summer Fun at Sterling's Market**

Saturday, Aug. 12 | 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 ..... “Prelude in D Major” Johann Sebastian Bach

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

## \*HYMN 410 ..... “Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven”

1 Praise, my soul, the King of hea - ven; to his feet thy tri - bute bring;  
2 Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to his peo - ple in dis - tress;  
3 Fa - ther - like he tends and spares us; well our fee - ble frame he knows;  
4 An - gels, help us to a - dore him; ye be - hold him face to face;

ran - sored, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, ev - er - more his prais - es sing:  
praise him still the same as ev - er, slow to chide, and swift to bless:  
in his hand he gen - tly bears us, res - cues us from all our foes.  
sun and moon, bow down be - fore him, dwell - ers all in time and space.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Words: Henry Francis Lyte (1793–1847); Music: *Lauda anima*, John Goss (1800–1880).

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.**

\***G L O R I A** (*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 *Erneuereten 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*

O God, who on the holy mount revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured, in raiment white and glistening: Mercifully grant that we, being delivered from the disquietude of this world, may by faith behold the King in his beauty; who with you, O Father, and you, O Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## THE LESSON ..... Genesis 32:22-32

The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip. Therefore to this day the Israelites do not eat the thigh muscle that is on the hip socket, because he struck Jacob on the hip socket at the thigh muscle.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*All stand.*



\*HYMN 383 (vs. 1-2).....“Fairest Lord Jesus”

1 Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Ru - ler of all na - ture, O thou of  
 2 Fair are the mea - dows, fair - er still the wood - lands, robed in the  
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair - er still the moon - light, and all the

God and man the Son; thee will I cher - ish,  
 bloom - ing garb of spring: Je - sus is fair - er,  
 twink - ling, star - ry host: Je - sus shines bright - er,

thee will I hon - or, thou, my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.  
 Je - sus is pur - er, who makes the woe - ful heart to sing.  
 Je - sus shines pur - er, than all the an - gels heaven can boast.

Words: German composite; tr. pub. New York, 1850, alt.; Music: *St. Elizabeth*, melody from *Schlesische Volkslieder*, 1842; harm. Thomas Tertius Noble (1867–1953).

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

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

**THE GOSPEL** ..... Luke 9:28-36

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

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*The lectionary for the day is on page 26.*

\*HYMN 383 (vs. 3).....“Fairest Lord Jesus”

1 Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Ru - ler of all na - ture, O thou of  
 2 Fair are the mea - dows, fair - er still the wood - lands, robed in the  
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair - er still the moon - light, and all the

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*Please be seated.*

THE SERMON ....“From Perservering to Being Transformed”  
*The Rev. Jane P. Ferguson*

# 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  
Province of the Anglican Church of Congo; 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*

Hasten, O Father, the coming of thy kingdom; and grant that we thy servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold thy Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. **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 27 for upcoming events.*

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## THE OFFERTORY

ANTHEM ..... “The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee”  
William Harris

The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord: and thou givest them their meat in due season. Thou openest thine hand, and fillest all things living with plentuous. The Lord is righteous in all his ways: and holy in all his works. The Lord is nigh unto all them that call upon him. Yes all such as call upon him faithfully he will fulfill the desire of them that fear him. He also will hear their cry and will help them. The Lord preserveth all them that love him, all them that love him.

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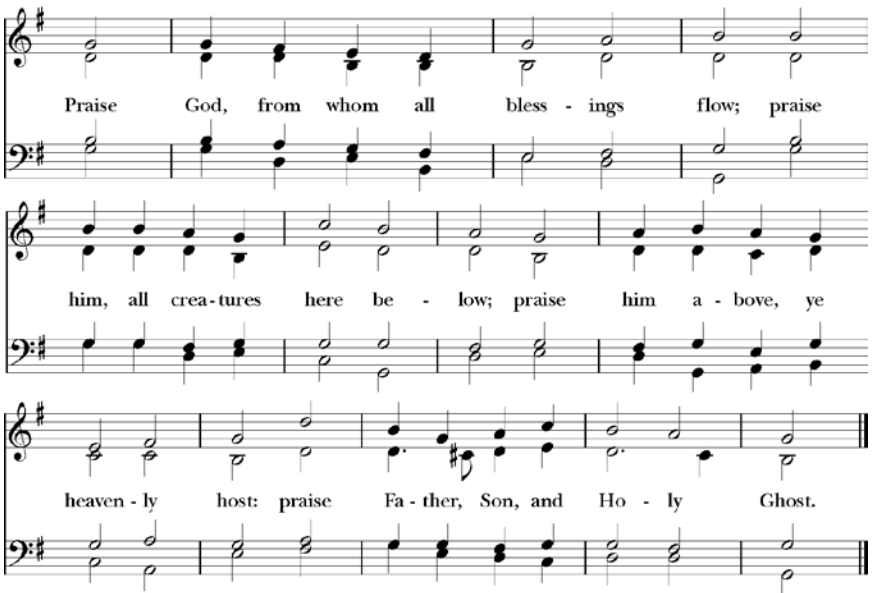
## AT THE PRESENTATION *(stand)*

*(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.

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

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



# SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

*Celebrant and People*

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 image shows a musical score for the Sanctus and Benedictus. It consists of five staves of music in a single system, all in a treble clef with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first line is 'Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Lord'. The second line is 'God of hosts, Heav'n and earth are full of thy'. The third line is 'glo - ry: Glo - ry be to thee, O Lord Most High.'. The fourth line is 'Bless - ed is he that com - eth in the'. The fifth line is 'Name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the High - est.'.

John Merbecke, 1549. Copyright © 1940, 1943, 1961. The Church Pension Fund.

*The Celebrant continues (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

*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.*

AN THEM ..... “Love Bade Me Welcome”  
David Hurd

Love bade me welcome: yet my soul drew back, guiltie of dust and sinne. But quick-ey’d Love observing me grow slack from my first entrance in, drew nearer to me, sweetly questioning, if I lacked anything. A guest, I answer’d, worthy to be here: Love said, You shall be he. I, the unkinde, ungrateful? Ah, my deare, I cannot look on thee. Love took my hand and smiling did reply, Who made the eyes but I? Truth, Lord but I have arr’d them: let my shame go where it doth deserve. And know you not, says Love, who bore the blame? My deare, then I will serve. You must sit down, says Love, and taste my meat: so I did sit and eat.

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HYMN ..... “I Love You, Lord”

I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice to wor - ship

you, O my soul, re - joice! Take joy, my King, in

what you hear: may it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

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HYMN 693 ..... “Just As I Am”

1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, but that thy  
 2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - ya  
 \* 3 Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; sight, rich - es,  
 4 Just as I am: thou wilt re - ceive; wilt wel - come,  
 5 Just as I am, thy love un - known has bro - ken

1 blood was shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me  
 2 con - flict, man - ya doubt; fight - ings and fears with -  
 3 heal - ing of the mind, yea, all I need, in  
 4 par - don, cleanse, re - lieve, be - cause thy prom - ise  
 5 ev - ery bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea,

1 come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
 2 in, with - out, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
 3 thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
 4 I be - lieve, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
 5 thine a - lone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6 Just as I am, of thy great love  
 the breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,  
 here for a season, then above:  
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Words: Charlotte Elliott (1789–1871); Music: *Woodworth*, William Batchelder Bradbury (1816–1868).

HYMN ..... “How Great Thou Art”

1. O Lord my God, when I in awe - some won - der Con - sid - er  
 2. When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der And hear the  
 3. And when I think that God, his Son not spar - ing, Sent him to  
 4. When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion And take me

1. all the worlds\* thy hands have made, — I see the stars I hear the roll - ing\*  
 2. birds sing sweet - ly in the trees, — When I look down from loft - y moun - tain  
 3. die, I scarce can take it in, — That on the cross, my bur - den glad - ly  
 4. home, what joy shall fill my heart! — Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -

1. thun - der, Thy pow'r through - out the u - ni - verse dis - played. —  
 2. gran - deur, And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze. —  
 3. bear - ing, He bled and died to take a - way my sin. —  
 4. ra - tion, And there pro - claim, my God how great thou art. —

Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior, God, to Thee: — How great Thou

art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior, God, to

Thee: How great Thou art, how great Thou art!

Words: Stuart K. Hine (b. 1899); Music: Swedish Folk Melody; arr. Stuart K. Hine; Copyright: Words and arr. © 1953. Renewed 1981 MANNA MUSIC, INC. 15510 Stanford, Suite 101, Valencia, CA 91355. International Copyright Secured. All Rights Reserved. Used by permission.

*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.**

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

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

## THE BLESSING

*All stand.*

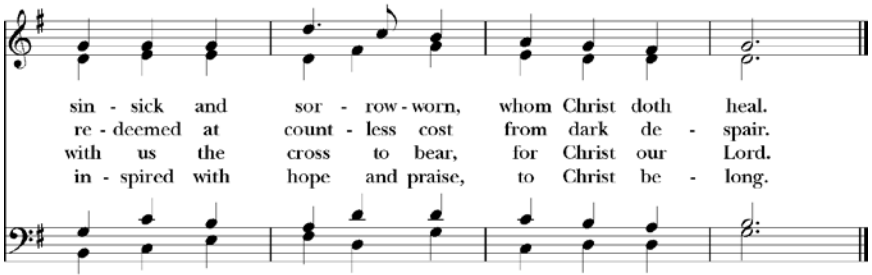
### HYMN 537 ..... "Christ for the World We Sing"

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

*The Minister says the Dismissal*

**People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**VOLUNTARY** ..... “Tuba Tune”  
 Craig Sellar Lang

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

## RECOGNITIONS



### FLOWERS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

In memory of Karen Wallace Johnson  
 by her family



### BIRTHS

April 3 Robert Jackson Taylor  
 Son of Ashley and Travis Taylor  
 Grandson of Susan and Bob Porter



### BAPTISMS

July 28 Henry Ryan Schwarz  
 Sophie Grace Schwarz

To mark a special occasion with an altar flower dedication,  
 visit [bit.ly/smecaltarflowers](http://bit.ly/smecaltarflowers) or contact Rebekah Maddux El-Hakam  
 at [relhakam@stmartinseiscopal.org](mailto:relhakam@stmartinseiscopal.org).

# 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:

Robin Adair	Nicole Jabbari	Bob Spencer
Bobbie Adams	Mary Anne Kannard	Jan and Jim Stokes
Carolyn Alban	Dick Kilday	Julie Stulken
Katie and Harvey Altmann	Amy Lacy	Paul Therrien
Patsy Angel	Reggie Lang	Carlotta Thomas
Judith Arnold	Rhea Latta	John Treanor
Shelly Bain	Stan Leong	Christine Turner
Denice Bass	Shawn Levenson	Mae Joyce and Grant Wagner
Bob Beeley	Patricia Levy	Mike Webb
Larry Biedenharn	Nancy Liles	Charles Werlla
Cory Blackman	Nicole Lockney	Allison Williams
Dianne Brock	Ryan Logan	Walt Williams
Nancy Burrows	Marie Lord	Eric Zoerb
Paul Case	Ronnie Martin	Catherine
Doug Clarke	Jeffrey Martinson	Charlie
Robin Cogdell	Jack Mayfield	Elizabeth
Higdon Compton, Jr.	Deanna McCool	Eric and family
Gail Davis	Janet McDaniel	Henry
Marcella Davis	Sandra McHenry	Holden
Susan Davis	Shannon McNally	Jay
Tommy W. Davis	Michelle McStravick	Laura
Bobby de Sosa	Margaret Milner	Len
Linda de Sosa	Kate Moorman	Martha
Don DeWalch	Stuart Nixon	Mary Jane
Ross Dunn	Andrew O'Malley	Susan
Kiersten Dyke	Bob Paddock	Tom
Stacey and John Elliott	Jim Paddock	
Nancy Ellison	Carol Postal	
Charles Flores	Stephen Preston	
Alan Funderburg	Ophelia Pujol	
Cathy Gonzales	Heather Rathnau	
Nancy Gore	Ted Reed	
Joyce Gubbs	Marjorie Reeks	
Shea Guinn	Monica Rivera	
Cissy Gully	Joan Scales	
Gladys Halbouty	Helen and Jim Shaffer	
Mollie Hill	Caroline Shanahan	
JoLynne Huddelston	P.K. Sharkey	
Marilyn Ingham	Clif Shoemake	

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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 [vrivera@stmartinscatholic.org](mailto:vrivera@stmartinscatholic.org).

# CONTINUING PRAYERS

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Names we have received of those in the Armed Forces:

SSgt Clint Bahme	Capt. Cody Horr	James W. Peoples
Lt. Col. Julian Benton	Maj. Wesley J. Hunnell	Lt. Paul Piana
1st Lt. Benjamin Brown	Dallas Wayne Hunter	LCMR David A. Pilko
Lt. Col. Chris Davis	2nd Lt. Stephen A. Jeckovich	Lt. Col. Thomas C. Plant
Wesley Dodd	Staton Jobe	PO1 Brian M. Powell
Sgt. James Drury III	Lt. Cmdr. Kory Krebs	SPC Joel Rowell
James Eilers	Krystal Martinez	Maj. Christian Schleider
Major Parker Firestone	PV2 Wills Masterson	1st Lt. Grant Suter
Capt. Dom Flatt	Ensign Ben Morris	CPO Evan Tomlin
1st Lt. Will Golinkin	1st Lt. Jack Mullen	
LCDR Bradley R. Hoffman	2nd Lt. Alex Mullen	

# READINGS FOR THE DAY

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## THE PSALM ..... Psalm 99:5-9

- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God  
and fall down before his footstool; \*  
he is the Holy One.
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,  
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, \*  
they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.
- 7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; \*  
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.
- 8 O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; \*  
you were a God who forgave them,  
yet punished them for their evil deeds.
- 9 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God  
and worship him upon his holy hill; \*  
for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

## THE EPISTLE ..... 2 Peter 1:13-21

I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to refresh your memory, since I know that my death will come soon, as indeed our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me. And I will make every effort so that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things.

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.



## THE BUMPY ROAD OF OBEDIENCE:

*A Sermon Series on the Life of Jacob*

JULY 23, 30, AUG. 6 and 13  
All-Church Sermon Series

8, 9, 11:15 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Traditional Services • The Church

9:15 a.m. Family Table Service • Parish Life Center

11:15 a.m. Riverway Service • Parish Life Center

Obedying God is not always easy. Oftentimes it is a road filled with twists, turns and bumps along the way. What can we learn from the Old Testament character of Jacob? Join us for this 4-week series being preached in all our Sunday worship services.

For more information, contact Juli Browning at [jbrowning@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:jbrowning@stmartinsepiscopal.org) or 713-985-3845.



**Just 4  
Summer**  
The Lectionary  
Speaks



## **SUMMER ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL AT ST. MARTIN'S**

**Sundays through Aug. 20**

**10:15 a.m.–11 a.m. • Bagby Parish Hall**

St. Martin's yearly summer adult education class is focusing 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.

For more information, contact Liz Gallien at [lgallien@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:lgallien@stmartinsepiscopal.org) or 713-830-4139.

ST. MARTIN'S  
**OUTREACH**  
MINISTRIES



## Poinsettia Planting

**Monday, Aug. 7 | 8:30–11:30 a.m.**

**Sign-up required at [singup.com/go/HQwTYtF](https://singup.com/go/HQwTYtF)**

Help with poinsettia planting at Brookwood Community. You will be working in a greenhouse, so please wear closed-toe shoes, comfortable clothing (knee-length shorts) and bring a water bottle. Minimum age to volunteer is 15, but a parent must accompany.

Contact Tracee Tindol at [outreach@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:outreach@stmartinsepiscopal.org) or 713-985-3811 for more information.



## Activity Center

### WRITING CALLIGRAPHY

Every Tuesday | 10:30 a.m.  
Fellowship Room

Sign up at [bit.ly/smecactivitycenter](https://bit.ly/smecactivitycenter)  
MOST CLASSES ARE FREE!

Learn the art of writing calligraphy in this fun class for all levels!  
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For more information, contact Sarah-Hampton Cambas at 713-985-3835 or [scambas@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:scambas@stmartinsepiscopal.org).



# What Everyone Needs to Know About Estate Planning

**10 a.m. to noon, Wednesday, Aug. 9**

Chapel Reception Hall

Please Register at: [bit.ly/3pvWFiaEstatePlans](https://bit.ly/3pvWFiaEstatePlans)



No matter what stage of life you are in, it is never too early to think about wills and estate planning. St. Martin's will welcome **Jana Fay Bacarisse**, a probate and estate planning attorney and founder of Bacarisse Law PLLC to St. Martin's for an educational seminar. She has more than 18 years of experience in estate administration, probate, estate planning, guardianships, and elder law.

## Topics include:

- What happens to your estate if you die without a will.
- How to plan to take care of your children upon your death.
- Beneficiary designations and related issues.
- Issues in marriages with separate and community property.
- How to get started with your estate plans.

This event is designed to be educational only. Please consult with your family and your estate planning attorney before making any estate planning decision.

Registration is required for this free event.

Please register at: [bit.ly/3pvWFiaEstatePlans](https://bit.ly/3pvWFiaEstatePlans)

For more information contact Ashley Pratka at [apratka@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:apratka@stmartinsepiscopal.org) or 346-335-8658.



**THURSDAY**

# Thrills

**AUG. 10**

10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Student Life Center

Students entering grades 6–12

Includes lunch • Cost is \$10

7 1 7 STUDENTS



Come in your PJs and hang out with friends to watch some great flicks and enjoy delicious munchies!

For more information, contact Florence Ritchie at [fritchie@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:fritchie@stmartinsepiscopal.org) or 713-985-3843.

## DONATE BLOOD SAVE LIVES

Monday, Aug. 21

9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Bagby Parish Hall

Schedule your next appointment.

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Walk-ins Welcome!

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blood recipient



For more information, contact Justin Jacobson Avery at [jjacobson@smec.org](mailto:jjacobson@smec.org) or 713-985-3838.



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A Bible Study for Any Woman Seeking God's Truth

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## MORNING GROUP STUDY

**Class Starts Thursday, Sept. 14**

Thursdays • 9:30–11:15 a.m. • Parish Life Center and via Zoom

For more information, contact Anna McLean at  
281-782-0594 or [amaynebr1@gmail.com](mailto:amaynebr1@gmail.com).

## EVENING GROUP STUDY

**Class Starts Tuesday, Sept. 12**

Tuesdays • 6:30–8 p.m. • Children's Life Center and via Zoom

For more information, contact Ann Wilson at  
713-828-8722 or [annwilson33@gmail.com](mailto:annwilson33@gmail.com).

# BENVENUTO IN ITALIA!



## PARISH CHOIR - FLORENCE TOUR

*June 21–July 1, 2024*

Join St. Martin's Parish Choir for an exciting 10-day tour that will transport you into a world of beauty, culture, history and music!

What could be better than to hear our extraordinary Parish Choir sing in one of the world's most enchanting cities? You will join the group for guided tours in Florence and the surrounding areas of Tuscany.  
*Places are limited!*

For more information, contact Dr. David Henning at  
[dhenning@stmartinsepisopal.org](mailto:dhenning@stmartinsepisopal.org) or 713-985-3820.



ST. MARTIN'S PRESENTS

# Open House SUNDAY

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27

Come for an overview of the classes and events lined up at St. Martin's this year. See what's in store for the entire Parish, including Christian Education, guest preachers and teachers, special retreats and programs in the Activity Center. Come join us and find out more!

## Adult Ministries

### Adult Ministries

10:15–11 a.m. • Bagby Parish Hall  
Contact Amanda DeViney at 713-830-4110  
adeviney@stmartinsepiscopal.org



### Student Ministries

10:15–10:35 a.m. and 10:40–11 a.m.  
Student Life Center  
Contact Florence Ritchie at 713-985-3843  
fritchier@stmartinsepiscopal.org



### Children's Ministry

10:15–11 a.m. • Children's Life Center  
Contact Rocio Velazquez at 713-985-3807  
rvelazquez@stmartinsepiscopal.org



ST. MARTIN'S  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

# Café

## ST. MARTIN'S

Monday – Thursday  
11 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

*Located in Bagby Parish Hall*

Come by and discover delicious specialties prepared daily by Sous-Chef Tina English and her team.

Enjoy our hot meal entrées, sandwiches, salad bar, baked potato bar, desserts and more!



*View our menu at [bit.ly/cafestmartins](http://bit.ly/cafestmartins).*

For more information, contact  
Christy Kana at 713-985-3847 or [ckana@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:ckana@stmartinsepiscopal.org).



SUPPORT GROUP

## Monthly Grief Support Group (VIRTUAL)

Presented by:



Peggy Determeyer, Ph.D.,  
M.Div., McGee Fellow & Director  
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# AUGUST 8

Tuesday @ 5:30 pm CT  
Available Online Only

*Register today at [hhci.org/events](http://hhci.org/events)*

For more information, contact Peggy Determeyer  
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and the church budget.

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[apratka@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:apratka@stmartinsepiscopal.org) or 346-335-8658.

# ST. MARTIN'S IS HERE FOR YOU! GOD LOVES YOU!

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## **General Questions**

Contact the Reception Desk at  
713-621-3040.

## **Prayer Requests**

Contact the Prayer Request Line at  
713-830-4124 or Valerie Rivera at  
713-985-3817 or  
[vrivera@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:vrivera@stmartinsepiscopal.org).

## **After Hours Emergencies**

Call 713-621-3040 and press 2 to reach  
the Priest on Call.

## **Death Notifications and Funerals**

Contact Cyndy Ensign at 713-985-3808 or  
[censign@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:censign@stmartinsepiscopal.org).

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