

# SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

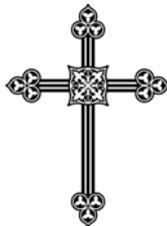
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*July 17, 2022*



## OUR MISSION

*To bring by the power of the Holy Spirit as many people as possible to know, love, and serve God as revealed through Jesus Christ; and to be transformed into spiritually renewed disciples of Jesus who know, love and serve one another and the world.*



ST. MARTIN'S  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## FROM THE RECTOR

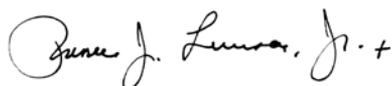
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IN THE NAME OF OUR LORD,  
JESUS CHRIST, WELCOME.

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.***

*NOTICE: St. Martin's is a gun-free campus.*

# WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT ST. MARTIN'S

## JULY 17

### Gathering

#### **Contemplative Hour**

10:15-11 a.m. | Bride's Parlor

Those who wish to deepen their contemplative walk can gather between services for prayer and sharing. For more information, contact the Rev. Sharron Cox at [scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org).

### Adults

#### **The Word Inspires: Clergy Favorites from Genesis to Revelation**

*Genesis with the Rev. Alex D. Graham III*

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



St. Martin's Clergy will walk through different books that they particularly love, giving an overview of the book's purpose and explaining how it fuels the fire of faith.

#### **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,  
email Amanda DeViney at [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.

*For more information about 7-1-7 Students  
email Student Ministries at [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 as well.

*For more information about Children's Ministry  
email Ashley Monachelli at [amonachelli@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:amonachelli@stmartinsepiscopal.org).*

## JULY 18-23

### Adults

#### Total Body Tone

Monday, July 18

8:30-9:30 a.m. | Activity Center, Aerobics Room, Second Floor

This is a terrific way to define, sculpt and build lean muscle that focuses on intense isolation exercises with free weights and resistance, ending with abs. Register at [bit.ly/smecactivitycenter](http://bit.ly/smecactivitycenter).



#### Senior Strength Training

Monday, July 18

9:45-10:30 a.m. | Activity Center, Aerobics Room, Second Floor

This class is a combination of strength training and basic movements to improve balance, flexibility and overall strength. We have designed this class for those who prefer a workout without the added impact to joints. Register at [bit.ly/smecactivitycenter](http://bit.ly/smecactivitycenter).



## Saintly Stitchers

Monday, July 18

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



Saintly Stitchers fill St. Martin's with pew kneelers and other gifts for worship spaces. For more information, contact the Rev. Lisa Neilson at [lnilson@smartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:lnilson@smartinsepiscopal.org).

## Watercolor Painting for Beginners

Monday, July 18

11 a.m.-noon | Activity Center, Game Room



Do you want to learn the basics of watercolor painting? If so, this class is for you! Learn how to modify the intensity of color and apply techniques with various types of brush strokes to create different effects. Register at [bit.ly/smecactivitycenter](http://bit.ly/smecactivitycenter).

## Line Dancing

Monday, July 18

1-2 p.m. | Activity Center, Upper Hall West, Second Floor



Let's cha-cha! Line dancing is for everyone! It is a great activity, and you will meet people in a fun and relaxed environment. Register at [bit.ly/smecactivitycenter](http://bit.ly/smecactivitycenter).

## ZUMBA Gold

Tuesday, July 19

10:45-11:45 a.m. | Activity Center, Aerobics Room, Second Floor



This class is designed for the active adults who are looking for a modified version of ZUMBA. Come ready to sweat, and prepare to leave empowered and feeling strong! Register at [bit.ly/smecactivitycenter](http://bit.ly/smecactivitycenter).

## Chair Yoga

Tuesday, July 19

1-2 p.m. | Activity Center, Aerobics Room, Second Floor



Come and enjoy the art of relaxation, breathing, balance and stretching. This great workout class will be a complete head-to-toe range of motion while relaxing in a chair. Register at [bit.ly/smecactivitycenter](http://bit.ly/smecactivitycenter).

## Boot Camp

Tuesday, July 19

5-6 p.m. | Activity Center, Aerobics Room, Second Floor



Do you need an extra push? Our boot camps will keep you on your toes! We want to keep you guessing, so each class is different and will push you out of your comfort zone! We will challenge you during every class! We want you to have tons of fun – but be prepared to enjoy this high-intensity training! Register at [bit.ly/smecactivitycenter](http://bit.ly/smecactivitycenter).

### **Yogalates**

Wednesday, July 20

8:30-9:30 a.m. | Activity Center, Aerobics Room, Second Floor



Get a taste of this power-paced Pilates class that will mix traditional yoga flows and stretches. Improve your strength, lengthen your muscles, realign your body and rejuvenate while releasing the stress from your day. Register at [bit.ly/smecactivitycenter](http://bit.ly/smecactivitycenter).

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### **Live Music**

Wednesday, July 20

11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. | Bagby Parish Hall



Come have lunch, relax and enjoy live music from various artists.

### **St. Clare's Needlepoint Guild**

Wednesday, July 20

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



St. Clare's Guild undertakes a variety of needlepoint projects in worship spaces and for outreach programs. For more information, contact the Rev. Lisa Neilson at [Ineilson@stmartinsepisopal.org](mailto:Ineilson@stmartinsepisopal.org).

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

Wednesday, July 20

7-8:45 p.m. | Student Life Center



Join our young adults as they explore the First and Second Books of Thessalonians this summer. There will be discussion, prayer and dinner. For more information, contact the Rev. Wesley Arning at [rwarning@stmartinsepisopal.org](mailto:rwarning@stmartinsepisopal.org).

### **Family Line Dancing**

Wednesday, July 20

7-8 p.m. | Activity Center, Upper Hall West, Second Floor



Let's cha-cha! Line dancing is for everyone! It is a great activity, and you will meet people in a fun and relaxed environment. Register at [bit.ly/smecactivitycenter](http://bit.ly/smecactivitycenter).

### **Throwback Thursday Aerobics**

Thursday, July 21

9-10 a.m. | Activity Center, Aerobics Room, Second Floor



Old-school aerobics is a throwback from the Jane Fonda days incorporating cardio and toning exercises to great hits. This class is a great calorie burner and mood lifter. You will find it upbeat and enjoyable. Register at [bit.ly/smecactivitycenter](http://bit.ly/smecactivitycenter).

### **Balletone**

Thursday, July 21

10:45-11:45 a.m. | Activity Center, Fellowship Room, First Floor



Join us for a full body, non-equipment workout that combines high-intensity and low-impact exercises. It blends workout techniques from dance, Pilates, fitness and yoga. You will work on core strength, muscular endurance, dynamic balance and flexibility, leaving no muscle untouched. Register at [bit.ly/smecactivitycenter](http://bit.ly/smecactivitycenter).

### **Line Dancing**

Thursday, July 21

1-2 p.m. | Activity Center, Gym, First Floor



Let's cha-cha! Line dancing is for everyone! It is a great activity, and you will meet people in a fun and relaxed environment. Register at [bit.ly/smecactivitycenter](http://bit.ly/smecactivitycenter).

### **Fri-YAY Full Body Strength**

Friday, July 22

10-11 a.m. | Activity Center, Upper Hall East, Second Floor



This is a terrific way to define, sculpt and build lean muscle that focuses on intense isolation exercises with free weights and resistance, ending with abs. Register at [bit.ly/smecactivitycenter](http://bit.ly/smecactivitycenter).

### **Sterling's Market**

Saturday, July 23 | Rain or Shine

9 a.m.-1 p.m. | St. Martin's



The mission of Sterling's Market at St. Martin's Episcopal Church is to glorify God through sharing the Gospel and the bounties of the earth with Parishioners, neighbors and visitors. For more information and to volunteer, contact [info@sterlingsmarket.org](mailto:info@sterlingsmarket.org).

# Women

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

Tuesday, July 19

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



Knit and crochet shawls to be blessed for those in need of prayer. For more information, contact the Rev. Lisa Neilson at [lnilson@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:lnilson@stmartinsepiscopal.org).

## Blanket Ladies

Wednesday, July 20

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



Make receiving blankets for newborn infants at local charity hospitals. For more information, contact the Rev. Lisa Neilson at [lnilson@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:lnilson@stmartinsepiscopal.org).

## Mommy and Me

Thursday, July 21

10-11 a.m. | Activity Center, Fellowship Room, First Floor



Join us for a fun mommy-and-me class that enhances socialization with mommy during the beginning of a child's mobility! The environments created in this class facilitate sitting, rolling, crawling, creeping, climbing and walking. The social bond that develops through group interaction is a key part of child development, and allows mommy an opportunity to share ideas and new experiences with baby. For moms and babies 0-12 months old. Register at [bit.ly/smecactivitycenter](http://bit.ly/smecactivitycenter).

# 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 ..... “Adoration”

Florence Price

*Dr. Michael Ging, Organist*

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

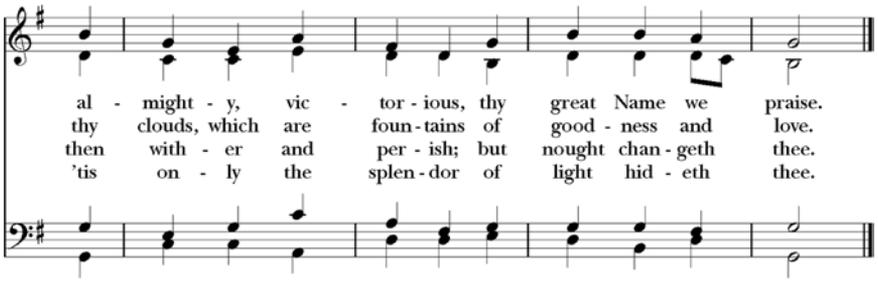
## \*HYMN 423 ..... “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” *Mrs. Sarah Ging, Vocalist*

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
3 To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small;  
4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry, thou rul - est in light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;  
in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;  
thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove  
we blos - som and flour - ish, like leaves on the tree,  
all laud we would ren - der: O help us to see

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



al - might - y, vic - tor - ious, thy great Name we praise.  
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
 then with - er and per - ish; but nought chan - geth thee.  
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

Words: Walter Chalmers Smith (1824–1908), alt.; Music: *St. Denio*, Welsh hymn, from *Caniadau y Cyssegr*, 1839; adapt. John Roberts (1822–1877); harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906, alt.

*Begin on page 323 of "The Book of Common Prayer" (BCP)*

**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 *Erneuerten Gesangbuch*, 1663; 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 God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

THE LESSON ..... 1 Peter 4:7-11

The end of all things is near; therefore be serious and discipline yourselves for the sake of your prayers. Above all, maintain constant love for one another, for love covers a multitude of sins. Be hospitable to one another without complaining. Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. Whoever speaks must do so as one speaking the very words of God; whoever serves must do so with the strength that God supplies, so that God may be glorified in all things through Jesus Christ. To him belong the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*All stand.*

# HYMN 660 (vs. 1-2)....“O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee”

1 O Mas - ter, let me walk with thee in low - ly  
 2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear,  
 3 Teach me thy pa - tience; still with thee in clos - er,  
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 sweet and strong, in trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong,  
 thou canst give, with thee, O Mas - ter, let me live.

Words: Washington Gladden (1836–1918); Music: *Maryton*, Henry Percy Smith (1825–1898).

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

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

THE GOSPEL ..... John 13:31-35

When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*The lectionary for the day is on pages 36-37.*

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*Please be seated.*

THE SERMON ..... “The Step of Service”  
 The Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson, Jr.

# STEPPING STONES *to* THE SAVIOR

About this week...

*I Peter 4:7-11 and John 13:31-35*

## THE STEP OF SERVICE

Jesus described His followers as “servants,” teaching, “Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be.” (John 12:26) Is the Christian life one of believing only or is there more to it than that? The early Church certainly believed it was. Jesus’ brother, James, wrote in his epistle, “Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by what I do.” (James 2:18) Are you finding service a bit of an intrusion into your life? Or perhaps you do not know where to even begin! Well, let us conclude our series by exploring together “*The Step of Service.*”

Please visit our website to view all sermons in this series.

[STMARTINSEPISCOPAL.ORG/SERMON](http://STMARTINSEPISCOPAL.ORG/SERMON)



ST. MARTIN'S  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE NICENE CREED (*BCP p. 327*)

*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** (*BCP p. 387,  
Form III*) (*kneel*)

*Minister and People pray responsively*

Father, we pray for thy holy catholic Church;  
**That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and  
humbly serve thee;  
**That thy Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for our Anglican Communion; for the Archbishop  
of Canterbury, Justin; for our Presiding Bishop, Michael; for  
our Bishops, Andy, Jeff, Kai, Hector and Scott; for all bishops,  
priests and deacons;  
**That they may be faithful ministers of thy Word  
and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the  
nations of the world;  
**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do thy will in all that we undertake;  
**That our works may find favor in thy sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief  
or trouble;  
**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest;  
**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise thee for thy saints who have entered into joy;  
**May we also come to share in thy heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

For Joe, our President, Greg, our Governor, Sylvester, our Mayor, and the Congress and the Courts; for all who serve in our armed forces and their families; for persecuted Christians; for the security and safety of all those in Ukraine; for victims of terror attacks; for an end to war and conflict; for victims of natural disasters; for first responders; for those suffering from the effects of the Coronavirus; for health care workers; for those in the hospitals,\_\_; for those for whom our prayers have been requested,\_\_; for those on our Continuing Prayer List; for all the blessings of this life, especially those remembered today with Altar flowers,\_\_; for the dearly departed,\_\_; and we give thanks for their lives and pray for their loved ones left behind.

I invite your own prayers and intercessions.

*A period of silence, during which people may add their own petitions quietly or in the privacy of their hearts.*

*Celebrant adds a concluding Collect (BCP p. 394)*

Lord, hear the prayers of thy people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Minister says*

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

*Minister and People (BCP p. 331)*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.**

*Priest stands and says (BCP p. 332)*

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.**

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## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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*Please be seated.*

# GIVE BLOOD

**St. Martin's Episcopal Church**

## **Blood Drive**

**Monday, July 18 | 9 a.m.-3 p.m. | Bagby Parish Hall**

**FREE COVID-19 Antibody Test with Donation**

Appointments are required to donate during this time.

Please go online to schedule at [bit.ly/smeclblooddrive](https://bit.ly/smeclblooddrive)

or contact Jessica Munoz at Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center:

832-602-9350 or [jmunoz@giveblood.org](mailto:jmunoz@giveblood.org)

**EAT. DRINK. BRING I.D.**



**Gulf Coast Regional  
Blood Center**

ST. MARTIN'S  
**OUTREACH**  
MINISTRIES



## CCSC Work Day

**Saturdays, July 23 and 30 | 9 a.m.–noon**  
**3434 Branard, Houston, TX 77027**

Organize and distribute food at the Emergency Services location for the Christian Community Service Center (CCSC). CCSC assists the poor, hungry, disabled and otherwise needy, and provides a back-to-school and Christmas program for low-income children.

Contact [outreach@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:outreach@stmartinsepiscopal.org) for more information.



**Saturday, July 23 | 9 a.m.-1 p.m.**  
**Rain or shine | St. Martin's**

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

**For more information or to volunteer,  
visit [sterlingsmarket.org](http://sterlingsmarket.org)**



# THE GATHERING

For church members and others in our community who experience memory loss



This program meets on the fourth Monday of each month 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in Bagby Parish Hall.

## The Big Top

JULY 25 \* RODNEY RASBERRY



For more information, contact Kathy Tellepsen at 713-301-4786 or kattellepsen@me.com.

## Summer Hang-outs

Join us for some fun “mystery” adventures around the city of Houston.

Students entering 6th – 12th grade  
July 26 and July 28 | 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

REGISTRATION | \$40/DAY

[bit.ly/717summerhangouts](https://bit.ly/717summerhangouts)



INDOOR

# POP-UP MARKET

BAGBY PARISH HALL

WEDNESDAYS

JULY 27 and AUGUST 17 | 3-7 P.M.

Food trucks outside for your dining enjoyment.



Proceeds from Sterling's Market benefit outreach ministries in our community.



# VBS RALLY DAY

July 31 | 9:15 a.m. | The Family Table

JOIN US AS WE KICK-OFF A WONDERFUL WEEK OF VBS!

*“Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.” - Psalm 100:1*



St. Martin's welcomes all pastoral questions and concerns. During the summer, our Clergy are not always available due to vacations, so we ask you please use the methods detailed below when you need Pastoral Care Services. It ensures a timely response to your needs.



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

### **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.

### **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.

# Activity Center

Register for classes at:  
[bit.ly/smecactivitycenter](http://bit.ly/smecactivitycenter)



## MONDAYS

### Total Body Tone

8:30-9:30 a.m. | Aerobics Room, Second Floor

### Senior Strength Training

9:45-10:45 a.m. | Aerobics Room, Second Floor

### Beginner Watercolor Class

11 a.m.-noon | Game Room, First Floor

### Line Dancing

1-2 p.m. | Upper Hall West, Second Floor

## TUESDAYS

### ZUMBA Gold

10:45-11:30 a.m. | Aerobics Room, Second Floor

### Chair Yoga

1-2 p.m. | Aerobics Room, Second Floor

### Boot Camp

5-6 p.m. | Aerobics Room, Second Floor

## WEDNESDAYS

### Yogalates

8:30-9:30 a.m. | Aerobics Room

### Senior Strength Training

9:45-10:45 a.m. | Aerobics Room, Second Floor

## THURSDAYS

### Throwback Thursday Aerobics

9-10 a.m. | Aerobics Room, Second Floor

### Mommy and Me

10-11 a.m. | Fellowship Room, First Floor

### Balletone

10:45-11:30 a.m. | Fellowship Room, First Floor

### Line Dancing

1-2 p.m. | Gym Floor

## FRIDAYS

### Fri-YAY Full Body Strength

10-11 a.m. | Upper Hall East, Second Floor

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# THE OFFERTORY

## ANTHEM ..... “Laudate Dominum” Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

*Laudáte Dóminum ómnes géntes; Laudáte éum, ómnes pópuli. Quóniam confirmáta est super nos misericórdia éjus. Et véritas Dómini mánet in aetérnum. Glória Pátri, et Fílio, et Spíritui Sáncto. Sicut érat in princípío, et nunc, et sémpet, et in saécula saéculorum. Amen.*

O praise the Lord, all ye nations; Praise him, all ye peoples. For his loving kindness has been bestowed upon us, and the truth of the Lord endures forever. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Text: Psalm 117, English version by Alice Parker. Music: W.A. Mozart (1756-1791). © 1963 by the Lawson – Gould Music Publishers, Inc. ARR.

## AT THE PRESENTATION

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

**Celebrant:** All things come of thee, O Lord;

**People:** And of thine own have we given thee.

## DOXOLOGY ..... *Old 100th*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise  
him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye  
heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *(BCP p. 340) (stand)*

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And with thy spirit.**

**Celebrant:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

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

**People:** **It is meet and right so to do.**

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

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 (said at 8 a.m.; sung at 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m. and 6 p.m.)*

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

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

*The Celebrant continues (BCP p. 341) (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** *(BCP p. 336)*

*People and Celebrant*

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

#### **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

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

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

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

## FRACTION ANTHEM ..... *Celtic Alleluia*



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

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## PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS (*BCP p. 337*)

*Then may be said*

**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. (BCP p. 338)*

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

## ANTHEM ..... “I Know that My Redeemer Liveth” George Frederick Handel

I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that He shall stand at the latter day upon the earth. And though worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God. For now is Christ risen from the dead, the first fruits of them that sleep.

Text: Job 19: 25-26; 1 Corinthians 15: 20.

HYMN ..... "They'll Know We Are Christians"

*Unison*

1. We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord.  
 2. We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand.  
 3. We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side.  
 4. All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come.

We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord.  
 We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand.  
 We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side.  
 And all praise to Christ Je - sus, His on - ly Son.

And we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored.  
 And to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land.  
 And we'll guard each one's dig - ni - ty and save each one's pride.  
 And all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one.

*Refrain*

And they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our love.

Yes, they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love.

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HYMN ..... "Children of the Heavenly Father"

1. Child - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther Safe - ly  
 2. God His own doth tend and nour - ish, In His  
 3. Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er From the  
 4. Praise the Lord in joy - ful num - bers, Your pro -  
 5. Though He giv - eth or He tak - eth, God His

in His bos - om gath - er; Nest - ling bird nor star in  
 ho - ly courts they flour - ish; From all e - vil things He  
 Lord His child - ren sev - er; Un - to them His grace He  
 tect - or nev - er slum - bers; At the will of your de -  
 chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth; His the lov - ing pur - pose

heav - en, Such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.  
 spares them, In His might - y arms He bears them.  
 show - eth, And their sor - rows all He know - eth.  
 fend - er Ev - ery per - son must sur - ren - der.  
 sole - ly To pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

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HYMN ..... "As the Deer"

As the deer pant-eth for the wa-ter, so my  
 You're my friend and you are my broth-er ev-en  
 I want you more than gold or sil-ver, on-ly  
 soul long-eth af-ter you. You a-lone are my heart's de-sire— and I  
 though you— are a King. I love you more than an-y oth-er, so much  
 you can— sat-is-ify. You a-lone are the real joy-giv-er and the  
 long to wor-ship you. You a-lone are my strength, my shield; To  
 more than an-y-thing. ap-ple of my eye.  
 you a-lone may my spir-it yield.  
 You a-lone are my heart's de-sire,— and I long to wor-ship you.

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*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray. (BCP p. 339)

*The People may join in saying this prayer*

**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 a.m. 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

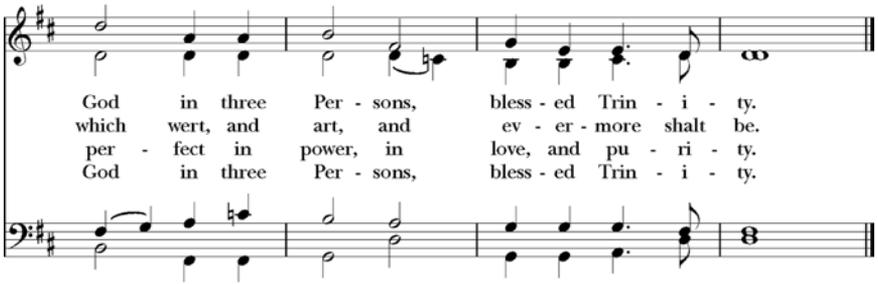
*All stand.*

### HYMN 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,



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).

## THE DISMISSAL

*A Minister says the dismissal*

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

## ORGAN VOLUNTARY

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

## RECOGNITIONS



### FLOWERS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

In thanksgiving for the baptism of Scott Key Lord  
 by Steven H. Lord, Sr.

In thanksgiving for the baptisms of Grace Marie and Clara Lee Roff  
 by their loving grandparents, Drs. Mary Katharine and John Roff



### BAPTISMS

July 9 Molly Clare McClure



### SYMPATHY

June 5 Sue Alexander Morrison

To mark a special occasion with an altar flower dedication, visit  
[bit.ly/ChurchFlowers](http://bit.ly/ChurchFlowers) or contact Barbara Piana at 713-830-4116.

# SERMON NOTES

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Robert Louis Stevenson's childhood home  
17 Heriot Row, Edinburgh, Scotland

# SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. MARTIN'S

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## **Amazing Place**

Amazing Place needs volunteers to help with their day program for individuals with mild to moderate dementia. If you are able to help, please contact Susie Howard, Volunteer Services Director, at showard@amazingplacehouston.org or 713-660-1378.

## **Bo's Place**

Bo's Place, a support center for bereavement, is looking for volunteer support group facilitators for both online and in-person groups, as well as hospitality volunteers for in-person groups. For more information, please contact Kelly Prucnal at kelly@bosplace.org.

## **Brazen Table**

Brazen Table, a culinary workforce training held at St. Martin's in collaboration with A Second Cup anti-human trafficking ministry, is looking for volunteers to assist with mock interviews, resumes and cover letters. For more information, email outreach@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

## **Christian Community Service Center (CCSC)**

CCSC needs volunteers to organize and distribute food at emergency services to assist the poor, hungry, disabled and otherwise needy. To sign up, email outreach@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

## **Church in the Field**

Church in the Field ministers to the homeless in downtown Houston by serving a meal, serving as prayer partners and providing praise music for the worship service once a month. To sign up, email outreach@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

## **Epiphany Community Health Outreach Services (ECHOS)**

ECHOS requests volunteers for its food fairs (with fresh meat, dairy and produce) and food pantry (with bagged non-perishable food). If you would like to volunteer, please register at [bit.ly/volunteerechos](http://bit.ly/volunteerechos), or contact Jennifer at 713-705-9718 with any questions.

## **Houston International Seafarers Center**

Adult-sized shoeboxes are needed for the upcoming Seafarer's Christmas Box project. If you have shoeboxes you can donate, please drop them off at the Front Reception Desk, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information, email worldmission@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

# SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. MARTIN'S

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## **Kids' Meals**

Come prepare sandwiches to help provide nutritious lunches to hungry children throughout Houston. For more information about Kids' Meals, visit [kidsmealshouston.org](http://kidsmealshouston.org).

## **Nora's Home**

Volunteers will serve dinner at Nora's Home, which offers affordable lodging for pre-transplant and post-transplant patients and their families who travel to any of the Texas Medical Center transplant centers. For more information, email [outreach@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:outreach@stmartinsepiscopal.org).

## **Senior Rides and More**

Senior Rides and More needs volunteers to help with transportation to/from medical appointments, transportation for shopping trips, telephone friendship/reassurance calls, etc. Please contact Senior Rides at 713-772-8181 or [info@SeniorRidesandMore.org](mailto:info@SeniorRidesandMore.org) for more information.

## **Sole Hope**

Sole Hope provides shoes to Ugandans to prevent jiggers from infecting their feet. Every pair of shoes requires one pair of adult-sized blue cotton/denim jeans for the material. (Stretchy or jegging-type jeans do not work for this project). If you have jeans you can donate, please drop them off at the Front Reception Desk, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information, email [worldmission@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:worldmission@stmartinsepiscopal.org).

## **Sterling's Market**

Sterling's Market offers unique treasures from local farmers and artisans most Saturdays at St. Martin's, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. The Market needs volunteers to assist with hospitality and logistics. To sign up, visit [bit.ly/volunteer\\_sterlings\\_market](http://bit.ly/volunteer_sterlings_market).

## **Yellowstone Academy**

Join fellow St. Martin's members to help with Lunch Buddies, student events and teacher appreciation. Yellowstone Academy was founded in July 2001 to provide a high quality, faith-based education for students in Houston's historic Third Ward community. For more information, email [outreach@stmartinsepiscopal.org](mailto:outreach@stmartinsepiscopal.org).

# READINGS FOR THE DAY

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## THE OLD TESTAMENT ..... Amos 8:1-12

This is what the Lord God showed me – a basket of summer fruit. He said, “Amos, what do you see?” And I said, “A basket of summer fruit.” Then the Lord said to me, “The end has come upon my people Israel; I will never again pass them by. The songs of the temple shall become wailings in that day,” says the Lord God; “The dead bodies shall be many, cast out in every place. Be silent!” Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, saying, “When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practice deceit with false balances, buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat.” The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds. Shall not the land tremble on this account, and everyone mourn who lives in it, and all of it rise like the Nile, and be tossed about and sink again, like the Nile of Egypt? On that day, says the Lord God, I will make the sun go down at noon, and darken the earth in broad daylight. I will turn your feasts into mourning, and all your songs into lamentation; I will bring sackcloth on all loins, and baldness on every head; I will make it like the mourning for an only son, and the end of it like a bitter day. The time is surely coming, says the Lord God, when I will send a famine on the land; not a famine of bread, or a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord. They shall wander from sea to sea, and from north to east; they shall run to and fro, seeking the word of the Lord, but they shall not find it.

## THE PSALM ..... Psalm 52

You tyrant, why do you boast of wickedness against the godly all day long? You plot ruin; your tongue is like a sharpened razor, O worker of deception. You love evil more than good and lying more than speaking the truth. You love all words that hurt, O you deceitful tongue. Oh, that God would demolish you utterly, topple you, and snatch you from your dwelling, and root you out of the land of the living! The righteous shall see and tremble, and they shall laugh at him, saying, “This is the one who did not take God for a refuge, but trusted in great wealth and relied upon wickedness.” But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God; I trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever. I will give you thanks for what you have done and declare the goodness of your Name in the presence of the godly.

# READINGS FOR THE DAY

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## THE EPISTLE .....Colossians 1:15-28

Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers – all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him – provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel. I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

## THE GOSPEL ..... Luke 10:38-42

As Jesus and his disciples went on their way, Jesus entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

# 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	Max Goodloe	Hal Means
Jeri Ann Adams	Nancy Gore	Christine Nguyen
Harvey Altmann	Hollis, McKay and	Benice Nwabueze
Katie Altmann	Rand Grace	Judy and Jay O'Connor
Shelly Bain	Shea Guinn	Jim Paddock
Susan Beeley	Gladys Halbouty	Troy Phillips
Jack Beeson	Amelia Harrington	Jimmy Prentice
Missy Belote	Walesk Harvey	Ophelia Pujol
Anne Berry	Elizabeth Hill	Barbara Quackenbush
Alli Blackman	Mollie Hill	Rocky Robinson
Cory Blackman	Jeff Holden	Robert Rosales
Grace Blake	Wayne Hollis	Virginia Runnels
Dianne Brock	Kim Holway	Brady Samuelson
Mark Burchard	Jack and Lee Hunnell	Jim Sanitato
Harry Burrow	Nicole Jabbari	Ellie Schilling
Jane Cabes	Ronnie Jacobs, Jr.	Helen and Jim Shaffer
Elinor Christian	Karen Johnson	Megan Sharkey
Richard Colvin, Jr.	Pat Jones	Clif Shoemake
Higdon Compton, Jr.	Muriel Kearby Albaral	Richard Smith
Beth Costa	Paige Laird	Bob Spencer
Gail Davis	Sherman Lasker	Jim and Jan Stokes
Mac Davis	Amy Lee	Aaron Strong
Sue Davis	Stan Leong	Susan Strother
Tommy W. Davis	McKenna Letsos	Julie Stulken
Louis DelHomme	Shawn Levenson	Nancy Talbot
Bobby deSosa	Nancy Liles	Paul Therrien
Betty DeVerter	Martha Ann Linden	Carlotta Thomas
Margaret Dickey	Roberta Lloyd	Millie Tonn
Chase Dixon	Ryan Logan	Jane Touchstone
Katharine Dorinda	Marie Lord	H. Michael Tyson
Kiersten Dyke	Robert Maedgen, Jr.	Randy Vander Naillen
Jim Easterling	Jaclyn Manning	Mae Joyce and
Stacey Elliott	Greg Martin	Grant Wagner
Mayfield Family	Brad Martin	Becky Wareing
Michael Foster	Jeffrey Martinson	Charles Warren
Matt Fryar	Pat Marymee	Mary Waters
Brad Gallion	Michelle McStravick	Charles Werlla

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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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James Wilkerson	Jana	Matthew
Tim Womack	Jane	Oran
Eric Zoerb	Kathryn	RC
Barbara	Laura	Sally
Ben	Lauren	Thomas
Betsey	Leslie	Victor and Barbara
Casey	Lorrie	Willie
Elizabeth	Marilyn	Woody
Henry	Mark	

Names we have received of those in the Armed Forces:

SSgt Clint Bahme	LCDR Bradley R. Hoffman	2nd Lt. Alex Mullen
Lt. Col. Julian Benton	Capt. Cody Horr	Lt. Holly E. Pace
1st Lt. Benjamin Brown	Maj. Wesley J. Hunnell	James W. Peoples
Lt. Col. Chris Davis	Dallas Wayne Hunter	Lt. Paul Piana
Wesley Dodd	Staton Jobe	LCMR David A. Pilko
James Drury III	Lt. Cmdr. Kory Krebs	Lt. Col. Thomas C. Plant
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