EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 22, 2024



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

WELCOME TO ST. MARTIN'S

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.

We want to invite you to participate in our worship services and as many of our activities and ministries as your own commitments and time will allow.

Prayer 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.
- To use a hearing assisted device, see one of our ushers.
- St. Martin's asks that anyone coming into a worship service not bring oversized or large backpacks.
- Please silence all cell phones when entering The Church and also refrain from texting. Thank you for being respectful of God and others as we spend time together in worship.

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

HOLY EUCHARIST

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

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

*HYMN 423"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"





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.

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **People:** And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen. THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Celebrant says

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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



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

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

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE LESSONJames 3:1-12

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.** *HYMN 656 (vs. 1-2)...... "Blest are the Pure in Heart"



Words: Sts. 1 and 3, John Keble (1792–1866), alt.; sts. 2 and 4, William John Hall (1793–1861), alt.; Music: Franconia, melody Johann Balthasar König (1691–1758); adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793–1870).

Deacon:The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.**People:**Glory be to thee, O Lord.

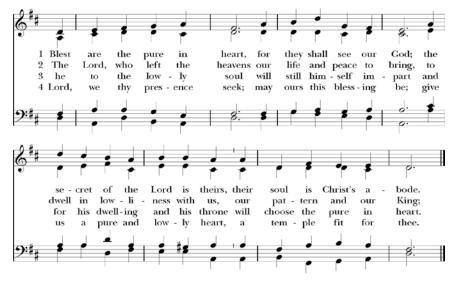
Jesus and his disciples passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

Deacon:The Gospel of the Lord.People:Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The remaining readings for the day are on page 23.

*HYMN 656 (vs. 3-4) "Blest are the Pure in Heart"



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Please be seated.

THE SERMON"I Want To Be Great, Don't You?" *The Rev. Elizabeth A. Miller*

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; for our Search Committee and the fifth Rector; in the Anglican Communion cycle of prayer, for the Church of North India (United); 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, John, 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.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

Gracious Father, we pray for thy holy catholic Church. Fill it with all truth, in all truth with all peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where in any thing it is amiss, reform it. Where it is right, strengthen it; where it is in want, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it; for the sake of Jesus Christ thy Son our Savior. **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The 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.

The Celebrant stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE (stand)

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you. **People:** And with thy spirit.

Please be seated.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please see page 33 for classes and events.

SERVANT SUNDAY RECOGNITION (9 and 11:15 a.m. only)

The Celebrant says these or similar words

Friends in Christ, we are all baptized by the one Spirit into one Body, and given gifts for a variety of ministries for the common good. These servants you see here have been called to ministry.

People: Praise be to God, who has called you to his service.

Celebrant: Let us pray. (silence)

Everliving God, whose will it is that all should come to you through your Son Jesus Christ: Inspire our witness to him, that all may know the power of his forgiveness and the hope of his resurrection. Look now with favor upon those whom you have called to serve you at St. Martin's, O God, and grant that they may be so filled with your Holy Spirit, that they may minister in their chosen task with joy and steadfast devotion; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

The Celebrant

In the Name of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we recognize you as servants of Christ's Gospel.

Please see pages 24-32 for a listing of all St. Martin's volunteers.

THE OFFERTORY

ANTHEM "Be Thou My Vision"

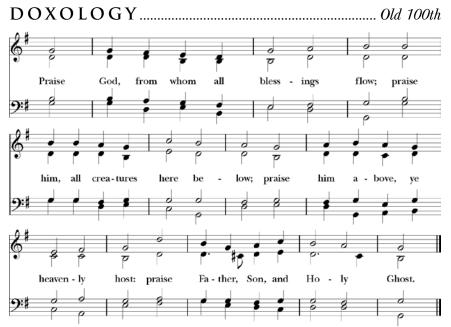
Alice Parker

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; nought be all else to me, save that Thou art. Thou my best thought by day or by night, waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light. Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord; Thou my great Father, I Thy true son; Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise. Thou mine inheritance now and always; Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasures Thou art. High King of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

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AT THE PRESENTATION (stand)

(8 a.m. only in place of sung Doxology)Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord;People: And of thine own have we given thee.



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

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant:The Lord be with you.People:And with thy spirit.Celebrant:Lift up your hearts.People:We lift them up unto the Lord.Celebrant:Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.People:It is meet and right so to do.

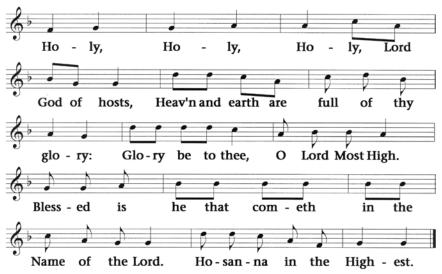
It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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

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



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The Celebrant continues (kneel)

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN**.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Celebrant says

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

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

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 Clergy administering Communion if you wish to receive a gluten-free wafer.

Open thou mine eyes and I shall see: Incline my heart and I shall desire: Order my steps and I shall walk in the ways of thy commandments. O Lord God, be thou to me a God and beside thee let there be none else, no other, nought else with thee. Vouchsafe to me to worship thee and serve thee according to thy commandments, in truth of spirit, in reverence of body, in blessing of lips, in private and public.

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After Communion, the Celebrant says (kneel) Let us pray.

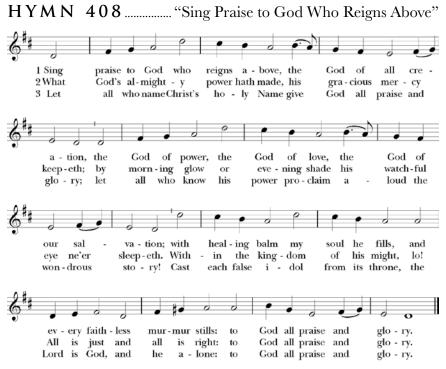
Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

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.



Words: Johann Jakob Schütz (1640–1690); tr. Frances Elizabeth Cox (1812–1897), alt.; Music: Mit Freuden zart, melody from "Une pastourelle gentille," 1529; adapt. Pseaumes cinquante de David, 1547, and Kischengeseng darinnen die Heubtartickel des Christlichen Glaubens gefasset, 1566; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958), after Heinrich Reimann (19th cent.).

THE DISMISSAL

A Minister says the dismissal

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Alexandre Guilmant

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

RECOGNITIONS



FLOWERS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

In thanksgiving for the ministry and dedication of all St. Martin's volunteers In thanksgiving for the baptism of Charlotte Bintliff Moorman by her parents, Katie and Blake Moorman and her brothers, Raleigh and Rivers Moorman In thanksgiving for the baptism of Mary Harlon Wooldridge by Meredith and John Wooldridge In thanksgiving for the wedding anniversary of Meredith and Dean Huffman by Meredith and Dean Huffman In thanksgiving for the 93rd birthday of Marjorie Nelson from her family by Richard Nelson



W E D D I N G S

Sept. 14 Avery Claire Layton and Matthew Garrett Cox

SYMPATHY

| Sept. 10 | Kathryn Gen Lumpkins |
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| Sept. 16 | Anne Mebane Sewell Thomson |

To mark any occasion with altar flower dedications, visit bit.ly/smecaltarflowers or contact Rebekah Maddux El-Hakam at relhakam@smec.org.

CONTINUING PRAYERS

Individuals are included on the Continuing Prayers list for numerous reasons, some of which may include recovery from illness, thanksgiving or need for support for special ministry and mission. In addition to praying for participants in cancer support groups, the Alzheimer's Caregiver's Support Group and The Gathering, this week please pray for the following:

Bobbie Adams Carolyn Alban Harvey Altmann Buck Anderson Scotty Arnoldy Edith Avery Shelly Bain Susan Beeley Cory Blackman John Boysen Jennifer Broussard Kenny Brown Matthews Brown Harry Burrow John Canon Delonda Citrano Sammy A. Citrano III Hallie Cooley Sam Cruse James Cunningham Gail Davis Paul Davison Bobby de Sosa Linda de Sosa Ross Dunn Becca Earhart Russell Ekblad Stacev and John Elliott Paul Falgout Mary Finucane Charles Flores Will Fogle Susan Folk Catherine Gonzales Nancy Gore Shea Guinn Cissy Gully Bette Haidusek Cathy Haidusek Ann Halverson Jean Hatton

Nancy Haywood Mollie Hill Marguerite Hillgers Marilyn Ingham Thelma Isenhart Christine Iean Mary and Jim Jennings Bobby Jornayvaz John Justice Sandra "Sandy" Justice Mary Anne Kannard Dick Kildav Robin Kleinpeter Searcy Kracke Marjorie Krajian Mary Tyler Labhart Rhea Latta Bruce Michael Lee Nancy Liles Nicole Holford Lockney Amanda Lodge Rvan Logan Linda Maddux Patrick Maehs Madelvn Markham Bill Maynard Janet McDaniel Adams McHenry Frances Melicks Len Menefee Stuart Nixon Deborah Oliver Andrew O'Malley Bob Paddock Jim Paddock Patty Pate Colleen Paxton Judy Peach **Ophelia** Pujol Barbara Quackenbush Phyllis Reinhardt

Julia Richards Monica Rivera John Davis Roady Maggie Rodriguez Consuelo Saldana Caroline Searls Helen and Jim Shaffer Caroline Shanahan Diane Shelton Clif Shoemake Fran Gardner Shores Bob Spencer Trish St. Jean Martin Jim and Jan Stokes Hillary Stonger Henry Suman Paul Therrien Carlotta Thomas Grantland Wagner MaeJoyce Wagner Mary Watters Richard "Rit" Webb Stephen Wedemeyer Marilyn Whitehurst Desyre Whittington Ann Winters Stacy Wood Eric Zoerb Atticus Cameron Dave Elizabeth and Scott Henry Julie Laura Louise Lynne Phyllis Katharine Roger Sarah Stuart

Please be advised that the weeks after Easter and All Saints' Day, this list will be completely redone. To add or remove someone on the Continuing Prayers list, please contact Valerie Rivera at 713-985-3817 or vrivera@smec.org.

CONTINUING PRAYERS

Prayers for those on Active Military Duty in the Armed Forces:

| Lt. Col. Julian Benton | 1st Lt. Alex Mullen |
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| 1LT. Tom Cadwallender | PFC. Parris F. Owen |
| 1LT. Yonatan Cadwallender | Corporal James W. Peoples |
| 1st LCDR Casey Gainer | Lt. Paul Piana |
| LCDR Bradley Hoffman | Lt. Col. Thomas C. Plant |
| Lt. Col. Wesley J. Hunnell | PO1 Brian Powell |
| 2nd Lt. Stephen A. Jeckovich | Sgt. Joel Rowell |
| Capt. Blake J. Kidd | PO Evan Tomlin |
| Capt. Jack Mullen | |

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OTHER WORSHIP SERVICES



9:15 a.m. • Parish Life Center

The Family Table service with Holy Eucharist combines contemporary worship music with traditional liturgy and is designed for families with young children.



11:15 a.m. • Parish Life Center

The Riverway Contemporary Service is both Anglican and modern, offering the Holy Eucharist in a relaxed service with contemporary music.

WEDNESDAY SERVICES

Holy Eucharist Services 7 a.m., noon and 6 p.m. • Christ Chapel

> OSL Healing Prayer Service First Wednesday of the month 5–6 p.m. • Parish Life Center Online at **bit.ly/oslservice**

READINGS FOR THE DAY

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THE OLD TESTAMENTJeremiah 11:18-20

| It was the Lord who made it known to me, and I knew; |
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| then you showed me their evil deeds. |
| But I was like a gentle lamb |
| led to the slaughter. |
| And I did not know it was against me |
| that they devised schemes, saying, |
| "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, |
| let us cut him off from the land of the living, |
| so that his name will no longer be remembered!" |
| But you, O Lord of hosts, who judge righteously, |
| who try the heart and the mind, |
| let me see your retribution upon them, |
| for to you I have committed my cause. |
| THE PSALM Psalm 54 |
| 1 Save me, O God, by your Name; * |
| in your might, defend my cause. |
| 2 Hear my prayer, O God; * |
| give ear to the words of my mouth. |
| 3 For the arrogant have risen up against me, |
| and the ruthless have sought my life, * |
| those who have no regard for God. |
| 4 Behold, God is my helper; * |
| it is the Lord who sustains my life. |
| 5 Render evil to those who spy on me; * |
| in your faithfulness, destroy them. |
| 6 I will offer you a freewill sacrifice * |
| and praise your Name, O Lord, for it is good. |
| 7 For you have rescued me from every trouble, * |
| and my eye has seen the ruin of my foes. |

ST. MARTIN'S VOLUNTEERS

Acolytes

Oliver Absmeier Elliot Anderson Adaline Bailey Sienna Bailey Kathleen Bowes Mackenzie Bowes Laura Carter Catherine Clampitt Rozlyn Costales William Donnelly Adelaide Dooley Libby Essalih Annie Fertitta Elizabeth Gormley Evelyn Graham Kacey Harvin Maddie Harvin Wesley Hennekes Leighton Hinton Caroline Hull Sophie Miller Caroline Mould Charlie Mould Laine Parrish Hellen Perrow Charlie Priest Asher Ray Aubry Robinson Reede Robinson Sophia Selinidis Cooper Waindel Susie Ward

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Henry Blackford Abby Bridger William Bridger Anne Cahill Valeria Chavez Paige Jones Grace Miller Edith Omelianchuk Julia Omelianchuk Paige Ryan Annie Samuelson Betsy Sanders Isabelle Vanderbout Ingrid Zhao

Youth Choir of St. Martin's

Natalia Ayala Ava Costales Rozlyn Costales Evelyn Graham India Graham Witt Graham Frances Harper Ellie Jones

We have attempted to list all volunteer names according to the current information we have. If your name is not listed, we apologize and most certainly appreciate your service to St. Martin's. Please inform your ministry leader of the oversight and we will update our records as well.

THIS SUNDAY

ADULTS

8+ with the Rev. Dr. Jordan HyldenDiscuss the lectionary readings of the day following the 8 a.m. service.8:55 a.m. • Chapel Reception Hall

THEOLOGY FOR LIFE with the Rev. Dr. Jim Jackson

"Things Jesus Never Said: God helps those who help themselves" Reflect on why popular sayings are so popular and how the Bible gives us a different perspective on what we often think is just common sense. 10:15 a.m. • Bagby Parish Hall

Next week's teacher is Mr. Eric Priest.

To pre-order the Rev. Canon Dr. Victor Lee Austin's book "Losing Susan," which will be referenced in his Oct. 6 class, please visit bit.ly/losingsusan.

FAMILY LIFE CLASS with the Rev. Alex Graham

"The Art of Marriage" **Final Class** Parents of younger families meet to study how to maintain a healthy and vibrant marriage. *10:15 a.m.* • *Activity Center, Game Room*

SPIRITUAL FORMATION with the Rev. Sharron Cox "The Kingdom of God is Within You" Learn how to cultivate the interior life in Christ amid so many competing thoughts, desires and motivations. *10:15 a.m.* • *Founders' Hall*

ADULT CONFIRMATION with the Rev. John Sundara Discuss "The Book of Common Prayer," the Sacraments and the Church's history and polity to explore the Episcopal faith. 10:15 a.m. • Chapel Reception Hall

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



To view all our Christian education options, scan the QR code or visit **bit.ly/smecedu**.

F STUDENT MINISTRIES

SUNDAY GET-TOGETHERS

Students in grades 6–12 spend time in fellowship and discuss the Scriptures shared in worship. 10:15 a.m. • Student Life Center

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children through 5th grade are given a solid foundation of Biblical and theological knowledge in age-appropriate ways. *10:15 a.m.* • *Children's Life Center*

CHILDCARE

Available during all morning services for six-weeks through three-year-olds. *8 a.m.* • *Children's Life Center*

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THIS WEEK AT ST. MARTIN'S

SEPTEMBER 23-28, 2024

ALL ADULTS

Saintly Stitchers *Monday, 10 a.m.* • *Activity Center, Upper Hall East* Saintly Stitchers fill St. Martin's with pew kneelers and other gifts for worship spaces.

Docent Tour *Wednesday, 11 a.m.* • *The Church* The Docent Guild offers a formal tour of The Church. To schedule a group tour or tours of other Campus locations, contact the Docent Line at 713-830-4117.

Parish Choir *Thursday*, 11:30 a.m. or 7 p.m. • *The Music Center*, *Rehearsal Hall* Sing a variety of traditional music in service to the Lord and our congregation.

MEN

Dads' Bible Study*Thursday, 8 a.m.* • *Welcome Center* Join dads with children of all ages for coffee, fellowship and Bible study.

WOMEN

The Moms' Group *Wednesday*, *9:15 a.m.* • *Student Life Center* Join mothers of infants through grade 12 students for a book study and fellowship. Childcare provided for 6 weeks to 3-years-old.

STUDENTS

Life Groups *Wednesday, 6 p.m.* • *Student Life Center* Students in grades 6–12 connect with their peers for fun activities and great discussions about faith and life. Please bring \$5 to cover the cost of the meal.

EVENTS



To view all our upcoming events, scan the QR code or visit **bit.ly/smecevents**.



NEW BOOK STUDY! Deep Roots: Good Books and Good Conversation

Led by the Rev. Dr. Jordan Hylden "The Four Loves" by C.S. Lewis Sept. 24 | 6:15–7:45 p.m. | Chapel Reception Hall

In this new series, we're taking C. S. Lewis's advice to read the old books. We'll read a classic each month from the Christian tradition, with Dr. Hylden or special guests giving a talk and leading discussion. This month is Lewis's "The Four Loves," followed by Jacques Maritain on democracy (Oct. 29) and St. Athanasius on the Incarnation (Dec. 3).



For more information or to reserve childcare, visit *bit.ly/smecdeeproots* or scan the QR code.

Contact: Amanda DeViney • adeviney@smec.org • 713-830-4110





MOST CLASSES ARE FREE! For more information, visit bit.ly/smecactivitycenter.

ACTIVITY CENTER CHAIR YOGA

MONDAYS Noon–12:45 p.m. Aerobics Room

Join Megh in the Aerobics Room for a class to learn the art of relaxation, breathing and stretching to feel completely rejuvenated while mostly seated in a chair.

Open to ALL levels. *Recommended for beginner yoga levels.*

Contact | Victoria Wilson events@smec.org • 713-985-3838



Serve Day

Wednesday, Sept. 25 10 a.m.-noon Chapel Reception Hall

Please join us to help us prepare for the Angel Tree Holiday Project, Seafarer's Christmas shoebox project and Church in the Field Christmas.

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





PARISH CHOIR CONCERT

Thursday, Sept. 26 7 p.m. | The Church Our very own Parish Choir will sing the beautiful program that was so well received in Florence, Italy, at their recent tour. The program is free and open to the public. Hear the voices sing movements from Joseph Haydn's Missa Brevis Sancti Joannis De Deo and music by Tallis, Palestrina, Monteverdi, Ireland, Duruflé, Lauridsen, MacMillan, Ešenvalds and others.

> Contact: Keith Lathrom klathrom@smec.org • 713-985-3815



COMMUNION INSTRUCTION CLASS

Sundays Sept. 29, Oct. 6, 13 and 20

10:15–11 a.m. • Activity Center

The Rev. Alex D. Graham III and Lay Minister Eric Priest will teach children in 2nd-5th grade what communion (also known as the "Eucharist" or the "Lord's Supper") is about. *Parental or significant adult participation is necessary to help children continue learning at home.*



For class schedule and registration, visit **bit.ly/communioninstruction**

Contact: Rocio Velazquez • rvelazquez@smec.org • 713-985-3807

RIVERWAY

Celebration Sunday!

Celebrate September Birthdays and Anniversaries with Riverway.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 29 Parish Life Center Narthex

Following the 11:15 a.m. services

We invite everyone who has had a recent birthday or anniversary to join us in acknowledgement of your special day, and share a dessert or breakfast item with us. Everyone is welcome!

Contact: Amanda DeViney • 713-830-4110 • adeviney@smec.org

MIDDLE SCHOOL



Oct. 4–6 • Camp Blessing, Brenham, TX

Cost: **\$250** | Registration: **bit.ly/msretreatsmec** (Deadline to register: Sept. 29)

We'll take time away from our usual schedules for a weekend retreat. What a great way to spend time with God, while sharing in fellowship and making new friends. Transportation, lodging and meals are included in the registration fee.

Contact: T.D. Davis • students@smec.org • 713-830-4132



Please note: This class is mandatory for Confirmands.

Open to all students in grades 6–12. We will gather in The Church to journey through the Sacrament of Communion, learning the meaning and symbolism behind the words and actions that we share each week.

Contact: Florence Ritchie • fritchie@smec.org • 713-985-3843



ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

MONDAY, SEPT. 30 6:30 P.M. • PARISH LIFE CENTER Dinner will be offered after the service

Join Riverway for our worship series titled, "Keeping the Kalendar." We will observe the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels, commonly known as Michaelmas. This feast is observed annually by Anglicans around the world and reminds us that God has given us advocates – the Holy Spirit and the angels to watch over us as we strive to renounce evil and follow God's will for our lives.



Contact: Rebekah Maddux El-Hakam relhakam@smec.org 713-830-4146



VESTRY NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN

Current members of St. Martin's may nominate any confirmed member of the Parish for consideration to serve on the Vestry for the upcoming three-year term. Nominations can be submitted for review from August 1 to October 1 of each year. At our Annual Parish Meeting in January, we will vote as a Parish to elect five new members to serve on the Vestry.

Completed nomination forms for the upcoming term must be received by Tuesday, Oct. 1.

Vestry Nomination Form available online at bit.ly/VestryNominations

If you have any questions, please contact Brittney Pena at 713-985-3821 or bjacobson@smec.org.

Nominations are to be kept strictly confidential – please do not inform the nominee or his/her family that you have nominated him/her.



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

Next Service Wednesday, Oct. 2 | 5 p.m. Parish Life Center or via Zoom bit.ly/oslservice

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



Chef Aylin Contreras

A CULINARY PASSPORT TO **ITALIAN CUISINE!**

Learn to make simple and delicious Italian classics in this hands-on cooking class with Chef Aylin Contreras.

Thursday, Oct. 10 • Parish Life Center, Kitchen 6-8 p.m. • Cost is \$75

Scan the QR code or sign up at bit.ly/cafestmartinscooking1



Chef Contreras will teach techniques for preparing handmade potato gnocchi, homemade Bolognese sauce and tiramisu dessert cups.

Contact: Chrissy Kana • ckana@smec.org • 713-985-3806



TUESDAY, OCT. 15 Bagby Parish Hall, Activity Center and Parish Life Center

Enjoy food, festivities and first looks at the wonderful merchandise.

\$20 advanced ticket / \$25 at the door Tickets go on sale Monday, Sept. 23 To purchase tickets, visit smec.org/joy-of-giving

Contact: Tracee Tindol joyofgiving@smec.org • 713-985-3811



MEMBERSHIP

If you are visiting today, please fill out a Welcome Card from the pew rack to place in the offering plate or complete it online by scanning the QR code or visiting **bit.ly/smecvisitors**. Please introduce yourself to one of



our Clergy and we will be in touch to let you know more about our Parish Family.

Seeking membership in a parish is a very important step and it is our goal to support your understanding of our Parish, its ministries and your place in the life of St. Martin's. Our membership process begins by attending one of our quartely Membership 101 classes.

Contact: Kathy Johnson • 713-985-3834 • kjohnson@smec.org

ST. MARTIN'S IS HERE FOR YOU

For general questions, contact the Reception Desk at 713-621-3040 during business hours (8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday–Friday).

For pastoral concerns during business hours, contact 713-985-3817 or pastoralcare@smec.org.

For pastoral emergencies after hours and weekends, call 713-621-3040 and follow the prompts to reach the priest on call.

For prayer requests, contact the prayer request line at 713-830-4124 or Valerie Rivera at 713-985-3817 or vrivera@smec.org.

For death notifications and funerals, contact Cyndy Ensign at 713-985-3808 or censign@smec.org.

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PRAYER FOR THE SEARCH FOR ST. MARTIN'S FIFTH RECTOR



Heavenly Father,

As a community of believers, we come together in prayer seeking Your guidance as St. Martin's Episcopal Church continues the search for our fifth rector. May we be blessed with Your Holy Spirit's wisdom and discernment. We especially ask that You guide the hearts and minds of the Search Committee who will be deeply involved in this choice. Lord Jesus, shepherd Your flock with tender care and love. Give us patience as we wait, trusting in Your gracious provision. Guide us, Oh Lord, as we navigate this season of change, knowing that You are with us every step of the way. Our fervent prayer is that Your will be done.

With humble expectations, we pray this prayer in Jesus name, who we joyfully serve and love. Amen.

WE INVITE YOU TO Keep this booklet For reference.

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