

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 26, 2026



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

Welcome to St. Martin's Episcopal Church as we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Everything that this vibrant Parish does – all of our worship, our learning, our fellowship, and our service – flows from the astonishing announcement heard this day that Jesus' tomb is empty and Jesus' victory over Sin and Death is complete. Whoever you are, whatever you have done, however you have succeeded and wherever you have failed, this announcement is Good News for you, and for this whole weary world!

Rejoice today that Jesus Christ is alive. Lift your voice with the heavenly chorus praising God. Join with Christians down the centuries and across the world. Let our Alleluias ring.

“For Christ our Lord is risen; our joy, it hath no end.”

Welcome to St. Martin's this Eastertide!

The Rev. Dane E. Boston, Rector

Prayer Before Worship

Be present, be present, O Jesus, our great high priest, as thou wast present with thy disciples, and be known to us in the opening of the Scriptures and in the breaking of bread; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. *Amen.*

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- *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 worshippers.

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If you're visiting today, we're so glad you're here! Please fill out a Welcome Card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or scan the QR code to connect with us.



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HOLY EUCHARIST

As found beginning on page 323 in the Book of Common Prayer

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“Psalm 68”

Percy Whitlock

The people stand as the procession begins.

*HYMN 518“Christ is Made the Sure Foundation”

1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and
2 All that ded - i - cat - ed ci - ty, dear - ly loved of
3 To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of
4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of

cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord, and pre - cious,
God on high, in ex - ult - ant ju - bi - la - tion
Hosts, to - day; with thy wont - ed lov - ing - kind - ness
thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er

bind - ing all the Church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's
pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy; God the One in
hear thy serv - ants as they pray, and thy full - est
with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter

help for ev - er, and her con - fi - dence a - lone.
 Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.
 ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in its walls al - way.
 in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.

Words: Latin, ca. 7th cent.; tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, after John Mason Neale (1818–1856), alt.; Music: *Westminster Abbey*, Henry Purcell (1659–1695).

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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.**

G L O R I A (*said at 8 a.m., sung at 9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.*)

Thine be the glo - ry, ri - sen, con-que- ring Son; end - less is the
 vic - tory thou o'er death hast won. An - gels in bright rai - ment
 rolled the stone a - way, kept the fol - ded grave clothes
 where thy bo - dy lay. Thine be the glo - ry, ri - sen, con-que- ring
 Son; end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray. (*kneel*)

The Celebrant says the Collect

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of thy people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calleth us each by name, and follow where he doth lead; who, with thee and the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The People sit. Either the First Lesson or the Epistle is read.

THE FIRST LESSONActs 2:42-47

And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. And fear came upon every soul; and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. And all who believed were together and had all things in common; and they sold their possessions and goods and distributed them to all, as any had need. And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they partook of food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE EPISTLE1 Peter 2:19-25

For one is approved if, mindful of God, he endures pain while suffering unjustly. For what credit is it, if when you do wrong and are beaten for it you take it patiently? But if when you do right and suffer for it you take it patiently, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps. He committed no sin; no guile was found on his lips. When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he trusted to him who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Guardian of your souls.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM.....Psalm 23, Coverdale

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



- 1 The Lord | is my | shepherd *
therefore | can I | läck | nothing.
- 2 He shall feed me in a | grëen | pasture *
and lead me forth be- | side the | waters • of | comfort.
- 3 He shall con- | vert my | soul *
and bring me forth in the paths of | righteous- • ness, | for
his | Name's sake.
- 4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will | fear no | evil *
for thou art with me; thy | rod and • thy | stäff | comfort me.
- 5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me against | them that |
trouble me *
thou hast anointed my head with oil, | and my | cup shall
• be | full.
- 6 Surely thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the
| days of • my | life *
and I will dwell in the house of the | Lörd | för | ever.

All stand.

*HYMN 663 “The Lord my God my Shepherd Is”
(Verses 1-2 before the Gospel; verses 3-5 after the Gospel)

1 The Lord my God my shep - herd is; how
 2 To whole - ness he re - stores my soul and
 3 Yea, e - ven when I must pass through the
 4 Thou hast in grace my ta - ble spread se -
 5 Then sure - ly I can trust thy love for

1 could I want or need? In pas - tures green, by
 2 doth in mer - cy bless, and helps me take for
 3 val - ley of death's shade, I will not fear, for
 4 cure in all a - larms, and filled my cup, and
 5 all the days to come, that I may tell thy

1 streams se - rene, he safe - ly doth me lead.
 2 his Name's sake the paths of right - eous - ness.
 3 thou art here, to com - fort and to aid.
 4 borne me up in ev - er - last - ing arms.
 5 praise, and dwell for ev - er in thy home.

Words: F. Bland Tucker (1895–1984); para. of Psalm 23; Music: *Crimond*, melody Jesse Seymour Irvine (1836–1887); harm. *Hymnal* 1982.

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

THE GOSPEL John 10:1-10

Jesus said, “Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber; but he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. To him the gatekeeper opens; the sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his

own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers.” This figure Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So Jesus again said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and robbers; but the sheep did not heed them. I am the door; if any one enters by me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.”

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Conclusion of Sequence hymn

THE SERMON

*THE NICENE CREED

**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

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 Sarah, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding
Bishop; Andy, Jeff, Kai, Hector and Brian, our bishops; the Clergy
of this Parish; in the Anglican Communion cycle of prayer, for the
Church of Nigeria and our ministry partner, the Diocese of Aru; for
all bishops, priests and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of thy Word and Sacraments.

We pray for Donald, 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.

Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

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

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Minister says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

A moment of silence is observed.

Minister and People

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

Celebrant stands and says

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

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. John 3:16

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. 1 Timothy 1:15

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. 1 John 2:1-2

THE PEACE

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Please be seated.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS *(11:15 a.m.)*

The Rector

Dear Friends in Christ, in companionship with each other as we journey in faith, we welcome new members into this community of St. Martin's Episcopal Church. We welcome them to join us as we seek to love the Lord our God with heart and soul, mind and strength, and to love our neighbors as ourselves. We welcome and cherish their unique gifts and experiences as together we follow the Holy Spirit in transforming this community for the work and mission of Jesus Christ.

Presenter

I present these Christians to be welcomed as members of St. Martin's Episcopal Church.

Rector : Do you desire to continue your journey into Christ as a member of St. Martin's Episcopal Church?

New Members: We do.

Rector : Will you commit yourself to seek and serve Christ in this community of faith and pledge to work, pray, and give to build up our common life?

New Members: We will, with God's help.

Rector : Will you who witness these promises, do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People: We will.

Rector : Let us pray.

Loving God, we give thanks that you have brought these new members to join us in ministry. Knit us together, one to another, so that in unity we may know you and serve you in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

THE OFFERTORY

ANTHEM “The Lord is my Shepherd” Philip Stopford

The Lord is my Shepherd; therefore can I lack nothing. He shall feed me in a green pasture, and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort. He shall convert my soul and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for His Name’s sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For Thou art with me: Thy rod and thy staff comfort me. Thou shalt prepare a table for me against them that trouble me: Thou hast anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full. But Thy loving kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Text: Psalm 23 Music: Phillip Stopford (b. 1977). © 2021, Birnamwood Publications (ASCAP) A division of MorningStar Music Publishers, Inc.

AT THE PRESENTATION

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

Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord;

People: And of thine own have we given thee.

DOXOLOGY

Sing we to our God a - bove Al - le - lu - ia!

praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

The musical score consists of two systems. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The first system covers the first two lines of lyrics, and the second system covers the last two lines. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines.

praise him, all ye heaven - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

Words: Latin, 14th cent.; tr. *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt. St. 4, Charles Wesley.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (*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.

But chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath won for us 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. and 11:15 a.m.)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of
Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -
- ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: Healey Willan, From *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*, Healey Willan (1880–1968); Copyright: By permission of Oxford University Press.

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

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

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.

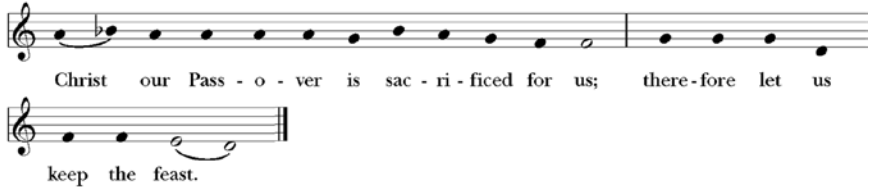
FRACTION ANTHEM

Cantor:



All: Repeat Alleluias

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PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

During the season of Easter, the Prayer of Humble Access is not a part of our public liturgy. You are invited to use it for your private preparation before receiving Communion.

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Facing the people, the Celebrant may say the following Invitation.

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All Christians who have been baptized with water and in the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and are permitted to receive Holy Communion in their own church are welcome to do so on this occasion. If you do not wish to receive one or both Elements, cross your arms over your chest and the Clergy will give you a blessing. Please tell the priest administering Communion if you wish to receive a gluten-free wafer.

If you are unable to come to the Altar Rail, please alert an Usher and Communion will be brought to you.

ANTHEM “Panis Angelicus”

César Franck

Panis angelicus, fit panis hominum, Dat panis coelicus figuris terminum. O res mirabilis manducat Dominum, Pauper, pauper, servus et humilis. Te trina Deitas unaque poscimus: Sic nos tu visita, sicut te colimus; Per tuas semitas duc nos quo tendimus, Ad lucem quam inhabitas. Amen.

The angelic bread becomes the bread of humanity; The heavenly bread ends all prefigurations: What wonder! The Lord is consumed by a poor and humble servant. Triune God, We beg of you: visit us, just as we worship you. By your ways, lead us where we are heading, to the light in which you dwell. Amen.

Text: St. Thomas Aquinas; Music: Cesar Franck; Text: *Sacris Solemnis*, Stanza 6, St. Thomas Aquinas; © 1908, G. Schirmer, Boston; 1910, G. Schirmer, Boston.

HYMN 343 “Shepherd of Souls”

1 Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen
 2 We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy
 3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not
 4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine thy Bo - dy

pil - grim flock with man - na in the
 word of grace, in strength of which we
 then de - part; Sa - vior, a - bide with
 and thy Blood, that liv - ing bread, that

wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.
 trav - el on to our a - bid - ing - place.
 us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.
 heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

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HYMN 664.....“My Shepherd will Supply My Need”



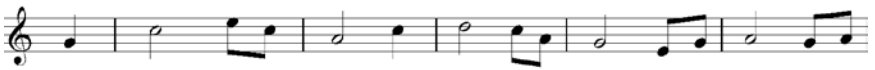
1 My Shep - herd will sup - ply my need, Je - ho - vah
 2 When I walk through the shades of death, thy pres - ence
 3 The sure pro - vi - sions of my God at - tend me



is his Name; _____ in pas - tures fresh he
 is my stay; _____ one word of thy sup -
 all my days; _____ oh, may thy house be



makes me feed be - side the liv - ing stream.____
 port - ing breath drives all my fears a - way.____
 mine a - bode and all my work be praise.____



He brings my wan - dering spi - rit back when I for -
 Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my
 There would I find a sett - led rest, while o - thers



sake his ways, _____ and leads me, for his
 ta - ble spread; _____ my cup with bless - ings
 go and come; _____ no more a stran - ger



mer - cy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.____
 o - ver - flows, thy oil a - noints my head.____
 or a guest, but like a child at home.____

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748); para. of Psalm 23; Music: *Resignation*, American folk melody, acc. David Hurd (b. 1950); Copyright: Music: Accompaniment © 1985, David Hurd.

HYMN 708 “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

1 Sa - vior, like a shep - herd lead us; much we need thy
 2 Ear - ly let us seek thy fa - vor, ear - ly let us

ten - der care; in thy plea - sant pas - tures feed us;
 learn thy will; do thou, Lord, our on - ly Sa - vior,

for our use thy folds pre - pare. Bless - ed Je - sus!
 with thy love our bos - oms fill. Bless - ed Je - sus!

Bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.
 Bless - ed Je - sus! Thou hast loved us: love us still.

Words: *Hymns for the Young*, ca. 1830, alt.; Music: *Sicilian Mariners*, Sicilian melody, from *The European Magazine and London Review*, 1792.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

All kneel.

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

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

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

THE BLESSING

All stand.

HYMN 182 “Christ is Alive”

1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing, His cross stands
 2 Christ is - a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
 3 Not throned a - bove, re - mote - ly high, un - touched, un -
 4 In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war where co - lor,
 5 Christ is a - live! His Spi - rit burns through this and

1 emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
 2 years in Pal - es - tine, he comes to claim the
 3 moved by hu - man pains, but dai - ly, in the
 4 scorn or wealth di - vide, he suf - fers still, yet
 5 ev - ery fu - ture age, till all cre - a - tion

1 prais - es ring. His love in death shall nev - er die.
 2 here and now and con - quer ev - ery place and time.
 3 midst of life, our Sa - vior with the Fa - ther reigns.
 4 loves the more, and lives, though ev - er cru - ci - fied.
 5 lives and learns his joy, his jus - tice, love, and praise.

Words: Brian A. Wren (b. 1936), rev.; Music: *Truro*, melody from *Psalmody Evangelica, Part II*, 1789; harm. Lowell Mason (1792–1872).
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THE DISMISSAL

Minister: Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

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

VOLUNTARY “Symphony No. 3: Final”

Louis Vierne

Personal prayers available at West Side Chapel near Baptismal font after service

RECOGNITIONS



FLOWERS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

In thanksgiving for the ministry of Dr. David Henning

by St. Martin's Vestry, Clergy, Staff and Parish Choir

In thanksgiving for Laura and William Kelsey, Carter and Wilson Kelsey, Margaret and Jeff Wilkinson, Patrick, Clara and Thomas Connor, Cameron and Keaton Wilkinson, and Mavis P. Kelsey III

by Ann and Tom Kelsey

In memory of Margaret and John Heinzerling, Dr. Mavis and Mary Kelsey, Cooke Wilson Kelsey, and Ann Frost Bailey

by Ann and Tom Kelsey

In memory of Barbara S. Patton

by John Patton and family and her sisters, Judy Coleman and Bonnie Weekley



BAPTISMS

April 19 Camille Burgess Koone

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



Celebrate the Ministry of
DR. DAVID HENNING

Sunday, April 26
Bagby Parish Hall
*Following the 11:15 a.m. services
and 4 p.m. Evensong*

Dr. David Henning has served as Director of Music and Parish Organist since 2006. Join us as we honor his tenure at St. Martin's and wish him good fortune in retirement.



ST. MARTIN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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:

The Abraham family	Jane McAfee
Shelly Bain	Kathy and Dave McStravick
Ken Beadell	Rosie Nasiridin
Lorrie Beasley	Mickey Padilla
Cory Blackman	Colin Peoples
Gary Browning	Antone Peterson
Dan Burns	Ophelia Pujol
Anna Creeggan	Phyllis Reinhardt
Gail Cunningham	Blanca and Jason Rivera
Dusan Damjanovic	John "Jack" Roady
Bobby de Sosa	Consuelo Saldana
Linda de Sosa	Angela Salinas
Tami Dyer	Margaret Salinas
Abby Aldrich Elliott	Helen and Jim Shaffer
Bruce Fowler	Clif Shoemake
Gloria Goldini	Janis and James Stokes
The Rev. Alex Graham	Roger Williams
Wesley Gustin	Eric Zoerb
Bette Haidusek	Angela
Nancy Hall	Atticus
Wayne Hall	David
Daniel Hawkinson	Henry
Phyllis Hawkinson	Joanne
Warren Hawkinson	Kay
Nancy Haywood	Lynne
Aaron Holbrook	Mark
Laurie Howard	Nancy
Brett Hudson	Spud
Naomi Illeman	Susan
Sara Jabbari	Stephen
Bruce Jamison	Tara
Mary and Jim Jennings	
Janet Kadlecik	
Toni Kihara	
Dick Kilday	
Bruce Michael Lee	
Mary Lehman	
Nicole Lockney	
Ryan Logan	
Mark and Sherri Logan	

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:

Col. Julian Benton	Major Blake Kidd	LCDR Paul Piana
1LT. Tom Cadwallender	Cadet George Kinder	PFC Alex Pickett
1LT. Yonatan Cadwallender	Colonel James Korth	2Lt. Thomas Pimentel
Capt. Casey Gainer	Lt. Jonathan Lesieur	Lt. Col. Thomas Plant
Lt. Col. Cameron Hartner	Charles Lewis	CPO Brian Powell
Lt. Cmdr. Tiffany Hartner	Capt. Jack Mullen	Jared Ross
CDR Bradley Hoffman	Capt. Alex Mullen	1st Lt. S. Jeffers Shaper
LTC Wesley Hunnell	Sp4 Parris Owen	CPO Evan Tomlin
1st Lt. Stephen Jeckovich	SrA James Peoples	

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OTHER WORSHIP SERVICES

 *family table*

 RIVERWAY

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.

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Morning Prayer • 8:30 a.m.
Evening Prayer • 4:30 p.m.
Christ Chapel

WEDNESDAY SERVICES

Holy Eucharist • 7 a.m. and noon
Christ Chapel

CHORAL EVENSONG

Sunday, April 26

4 p.m.

The Church

This service will be livestreamed

Choral Evensong centers on psalms, canticles and prayers, tracing its roots to ancient monastic worship. Don't miss this special service premiering a piece commissioned by St. Martin's Episcopal Church in honor of Dr. David Henning's ministry at St. Martin's, written by internationally acclaimed composer Daniel Knaggs.

Join us for this beautiful, centuries-old tradition as we give thanks for Dr. Henning.



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- St. Martin's Presents -

Sponberg LECTURE SERIES

Sponsored by the Men of St. Martin's

Nature's God and the American Founding

Wednesday, May 6

7 p.m. • Bagby Parish Hall

Book signing following



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Registrations are encouraged due to limited seating. Donations are welcome to support this annual lecture series.



Dr. Justin Dyer

*Dean of the School of Civic Leadership,
University of Texas, Austin*



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NEXT TWO WEEKS AT ST. MARTIN'S

ADULTS

SUNDAY

- ▶ **8+** *April 26, May 3 • 8:55 a.m. • Chapel Reception Hall*
- ▶ **Theology for Life** *April 26 • 10:15 a.m. • Bagby Parish Hall*
James: Faith Without Works? with the Rev. Dane Boston
- ▶ **Docent Tour** *May 3 • Following 11:15 a.m. services. • The Church Narthex*

MONDAY

- ▶ **Saintly Stitchers** *April 27, May 4 • 10 a.m. • Activity Center Upper Hall East*
- ▶ **The Gathering** *April 27 • 10 a.m. • Bagby Parish Hall*
- ▶ **Global Prayer Group** *April 27, May 4 • 1:15 p.m. • Children's Life Center*

TUESDAY

- ▶ **Prayer Shawl Ministry** *April 28, May 5 • 9 a.m. • Activity Center Family Room*
- ▶ **Rector's Bible Study** *April 28, May 5 • Noon • Student Life Center*

WEDNESDAY

- ▶ **Morning Prayer Group** *April 29, May 6 • 8 a.m. • Activity Center Family Room*
- ▶ **Blanket Ladies** *April 29, May 6 • 10 a.m. • Activity Center Family Room*
- ▶ **Campus Garden Tour** *April 29 • 10 a.m. • The Church Plaza*
- ▶ **Docent Tour** *April 29, May 6 • 11 a.m. • The Church Narthex*
- ▶ **St. Clare's Guild** *April 29, May 6 • Noon • Activity Center Upper Hall East*
- ▶ **OSL Study Group** *April 29 • 4:30 p.m. • Children's Life Center*
- ▶ **OSL Healing Prayer Service** *May 6 • 5 p.m. • Parish Life Center*
- ▶ **St. Martin's 20s & 30s** *April 29, May 6 • 7 p.m. • Children's Life Center*

THURSDAY

- ▶ **Parish Choir** *May 7 • 7 p.m. • The Music Center Rehearsal Hall*

MEN

TUESDAY

- ▶ **Kids' Meals** *April 28 • 5 p.m. • Parish Life Center Kitchen*

NEXT TWO WEEKS AT ST. MARTIN'S

MEN

THURSDAY

- ▶ **Men of St. Martin's** *April 30, May 7 • 7 a.m. • Bagby Parish Hall*
- ▶ **Dads' Bible Study** *April 30, May 7 • 8 a.m. • Welcome Center*

WOMEN

TUESDAY

- ▶ **CLS Evening Group** *April 28, May 5 • 6:30 p.m. • Children's Life Center*

STUDENTS

SUNDAY

- ▶ **Sunday Get-Togethers** *April 26, May 3 • 10:15 a.m. • Student Life Center*
- ▶ **Youth Choir** *April 26, May 3 • 10:15 a.m. • Children's Life Center*

WEDNESDAY

- ▶ **Life Groups** *April 29, May 6 • 6 p.m. • Student Life Center*

THURSDAY

- ▶ **High School Social** *April 30 • 6 p.m. • Student Life Center*

CHILDREN

SUNDAY

- ▶ **Childcare** *April 26, May 3 • 8 a.m. • Children's Life Center*
- ▶ **Young Singers** *April 26, May 3 • 8:30 a.m. • Children's Life Center*
- ▶ **Sunday School** *April 26, May 3 • 10:15 a.m. • Children's Life Center*
- ▶ **5th Grade Tour** *May 3 • 10:15 a.m. • Student Life Center*

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WITH THE RT. REV.
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