

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 30, 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

In the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, welcome to St. Martin's Episcopal Church!

We are so grateful that you are worshipping with us today. Everything that this vibrant Parish does flows from the worship of our Lord. Our service times and styles may vary, but through the riches of our Anglican tradition, they are all offered for the same ultimate purpose: to glorify our God and Father, to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ His Son, and to rejoice in the life-changing power of the Holy Spirit.

Whether you are here for the very first time or have been attending St. Martin's for decades, I invite you to explore our many daily and weekly opportunities for worship, learning, fellowship, and service. We are a community where people of every age and stage of life are met by Jesus and deepen their relationship with Him. Join us as we open God's Word in Bible studies large and small, gather in nourishing, nurturing care for one another, and reach out to show God's love in tangible ways to our brothers and sisters here in Houston, and around the globe.

Come, worship the Lord, and grow with us. Welcome to St. Martin's!

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

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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 “Andante Sostenuto”

Charles-Marie Widor

The people stand as the procession begins.

*HYMN 450 “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

1 All hail the power of Je - sus' Name! Let an - gels pros - trate
2 Crown him, ye mar - tyrs of our God, who from his al - tar
3 Hail him, the Heir of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did
4 Ye heirs of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed of the
5 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the

1 fall; bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and
2 call: praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and
3 call, the God in - car - nate, Man di - vine, and
4 fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and
5 gall, go, spread your tro - phies at his feet, and

1 crown him Lord of all! bring forth the roy - al
2 crown him Lord of all! praise him whose way of
3 crown him Lord of all! the God in - car - nate,
4 crown him Lord of all! hail him who saves you
5 crown him Lord of all! go, spread your tro - phies

1 di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!
 2 pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!
 3 Man di - vine, and crown him Lord of all!
 4 by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
 5 at his feet, and crown him Lord of all!

6 Let every kindred, every tribe,
 on this terrestrial ball,
 to him all majesty ascribe,
 and crown him Lord of all!

Words: Edward Perronet (1726–1792), alt.; Music: *Coronation*, Oliver Holden (1765–1844).

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.*)

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*, 1665; harm. *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray. (*kneel*)

The Celebrant says the Collect

Lord of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of thy Name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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

THE OLD TESTAMENTJeremiah 15:15-21

O Lord, thou knowest; remember me and visit me, and take vengeance for me on my persecutors. In thy forbearance take me not away; know that for thy sake I bear reproach. Thy words were found, and I ate them, and thy words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by thy name, O Lord, God of hosts. I did not sit in the company of merrymakers, nor did I rejoice; I sat alone, because thy hand was upon me, for thou hadst filled me with indignation. Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Wilt thou be to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail? Therefore thus says the Lord: "If you return, I will restore you, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall be as my mouth. They shall turn to you, but you shall not turn to them. And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the Lord. I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE EPISTLE Romans 12:9-21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with brotherly affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Never flag in zeal, be aglow with the Spirit, serve the Lord.

Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints, practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; never be conceited. Repay no one evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If possible, so far as it depends upon you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God; for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” No, “if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals upon his head.” Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM.....Psalm 26, Coverdale
(said at 8 a.m., sung at 9 a.m., 11:15 a.m. and 6 p.m.)



- 1 Be thou my Judge O Lord, for I have | wälked | innocently*
my trust hath been also in the Lord, | therefore • shall
| I not | fall.
- 2 Examine me O | Lord, and | prove me*
try out my | rëins | and my | heart.
- 3 For thy loving-kindness is ever be- | fore mine | eyes*
and I will | wälk | in thy | truth.
- 4 I have not | dwelt with • vain | persons*
neither will I have | fellow- • ship | with the • de- | ceitful.
- 5 I have hated the congregation | of the | wicked*
and will not | sit a- | mong the • un- | godly.
- 6 I will wash my hands in | innocency, • O | Lord*
and so will I | gö | to thine | altar;
- 7 That I may shew the | voice of | thanksgiving*
and tell of | all thy | wondrous | works.

**8 Lord, I have loved the habitation | of thy | house*
and the place where | thine | honour | dwelleth.**

All stand.

*HYMN 675 “Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said”
(Verses 1-2 before the Gospel; verses 3-5 after the Gospel)



1 Take up your cross, the Sa - vior said, if
2 Take up your cross, let not its weight fill
3 Take up your cross, heed not the shame, and
4 Take up your cross, then, in his strength, and
5 Take up your cross, and fol - low Christ, nor



1 you would my dis - ci - ple be; take up your cross with
2 your weak spi - rit with a - larm; his strength shall bear your
3 let your fool - ish heart be still; the Lord for you ac -
4 calm - ly ev - ery dan - ger brave: it guides you to a -
5 think till death to lay it down; for on - ly those who



1 will - ing heart, and hum - bly fol - low af - ter me.
2 spi - rit up, and brace your heart, and nerve your arm.
3 cept - ed death up - on a cross, on Cal - vary's hill.
4 bun - dant life and leads to vic - tory o'er the grave.
5 bear the cross may hope to wear the glo - rious crown.

Words: Charles William Everest (1814-1877), alt. Music: *Bourbon*, melody att. Freeman Lewis (1780-1859). This selection is in the public domain.

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

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

THE GOSPEL Matthew 16:21-28

From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid, Lord! This shall never happen to you.” But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me; for you are not on the side of God, but of men.” Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, and whoever loses his

life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit a man, if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life? Or what shall a man give in return for his life? For the Son of man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay every man for what he has done. Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom.”

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Conclusion of Sequence hymn

THE SERMON Dr. Garwood P. Anderson
morning services

THE SERMON The Rev. Andrew S. Hebert
evening service

✠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 the Province of West Indies 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

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of thy people, and strengthen us to do thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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.**

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.**



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OFFERTORY ANTHEM “Lord of the Dance” arr. John Barnard

I danced in the morning when the world was begun, and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth. At Bethlehem I had my birth. *Dance, then, wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the Dance, said he. And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be, and I'll lead you all in the Dance, said he.* I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee, but they would not dance, and they would not follow me; I danced for the fishermen, for James and John; they came with me and the Dance went on. *Dance, then, wherever you may be* ... I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame, the holy people said it was a shame; they whipped and they stripped and they hung me high; and they left me there on a cross to die. *Dance, then, wherever you may be* ... I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black; it's hard to dance with the devil on your back; they buried my body and they thought I'd gone, but I am the Dance and I still go on. *Dance, then, wherever you may be* ... They cut me down and I leapt up high, I am the life, that'll never, never die; I'll live in you if you'll live in me; I am the Lord of the Dance, said he. *Dance, then, wherever you may be* ...

Shaker tune, words by Sydney Cartter © 1963 Stainer & Bell (admin. Hope Publishing Company).

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

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

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

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *(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.

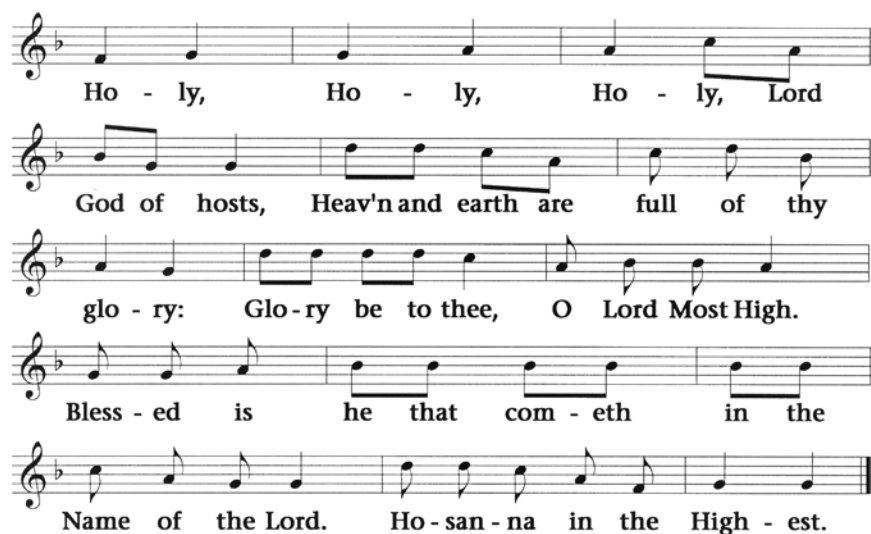
It is very meet, right and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

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 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.

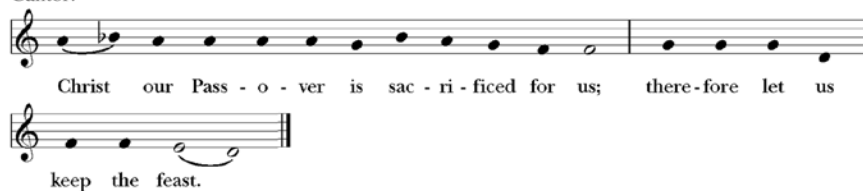
FRACTION ANTHEM

Cantor:



All: Repeat Alleluias

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PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

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.

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 “Thou Knowest, Lord, the Secrets of Our Hearts”
Henry Purcell

Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts; shut not thy merciful ears unto our prayers; but spare us, Lord most holy, O God most mighty. O holy and most merciful Saviour, Thou most worthy judge eternal, suffer us not, at our last hour, for any pains of death to fall from thee. Amen.

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HYMN 581 “Where Charity and Love Prevail”



1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail there God is ev - er found;
 2 With grate - ful joy and ho - ly fear his char - i - ty we learn;
 3 For - give we now each o - ther's faults as we our faults con - fess;
 4 Let strife a - mong us be un - known, let all con - ten - tion cease;
 5 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells God's be - got - ten Son;

1 brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love by love are we thus bound.
 2 let us with heart and mind and strength now love him in re - turn.
 3 and let us love each o - ther well in Chris - tian ho - li - ness.
 4 be his the glo - ry that we seek, be ours his ho - ly peace.
 5 as mem - bers of his Bo - dy joined we are in him made one.

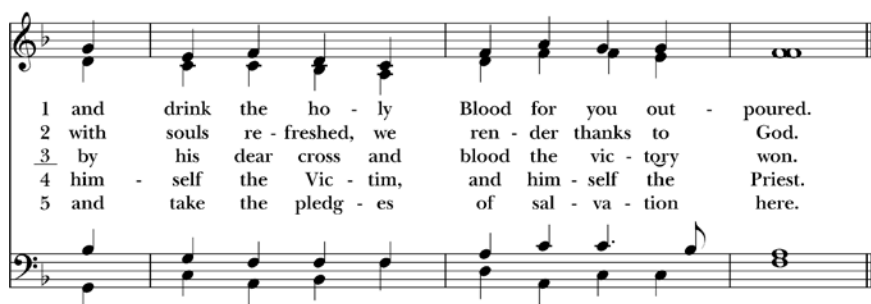
6 Love can exclude no race or creed
 if honored be God's Name;
 our common life embraces all
 whose Father is the same.

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HYMN 328 “Draw Nigh and Take the Body of the Lord”



1 Draw nigh and take the Bo - dy of the Lord,
 2 Saved by that Bo - dy and that ho - ly Blood,
 3 Sal - va - tion's giv - er, Christ, the on - ly Son,
 4 Of - fered was he for great - est and for least,
 5 Ap - proach ye then with faith - ful hearts sin - cere,



1 and drink the ho - ly Blood for you out - poured.
 2 with souls re - freshed, we ren - der thanks to God.
 3 by his dear cross and blood the vic - tory won.
 4 him - self the Vic - tim, and him - self the Priest.
 5 and take the pledg - es of sal - va - tion here.

6 He that his saints in this world rules and shields
 to all believers life eternal yields;

7 with heavenly bread he makes the hungry whole,
 gives living waters to the thirsting soul.

8 Alpha-Omega, unto whom shall bow
 all nations at the doom, is with us now.

Text: *Bangor Antiphoner*, ca. 690; tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.; Music: *Song 46*; This selection is in the public domain.

HYMN 323.....“Bread of Heaven”

1 Bread of heaven, on thee we feed, for thy Flesh is of
2 Vine of heaven, thy Blood sup-plies for this blest cup of

meat in-deed; ev-er may our souls be fed
sac-ri-fice; Lord, thy wounds our heal-ing give,

with this true and liv-ing Bread; day by day with
to thy cross and we look and live: Je-sus, may we

strength sup-plied, through the life of him who died.
ev-er be graft-ed, root-ed, built in thee.

Words: Josiah Conder (1789-1855); alt.; Music: *Jesu, Jesu, du mein Hirt*; This selection is in the public domain.

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 379 "God is Love, Let Heaven Adore Him"



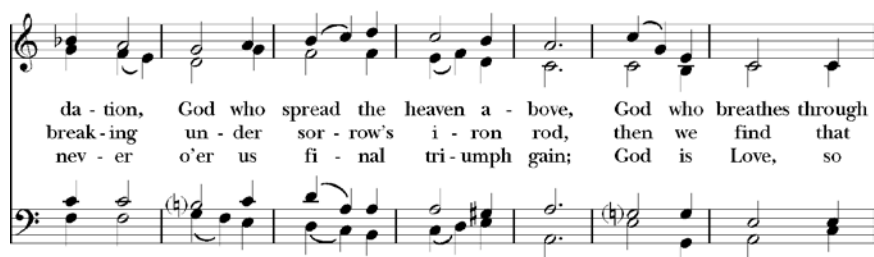
1 God is Love, let heaven a - dore him; God is Love, let
 2 God is Love; and Love en - folds us, all the world in
 3 God is Love; and though with blind-ness sin af - flicts all



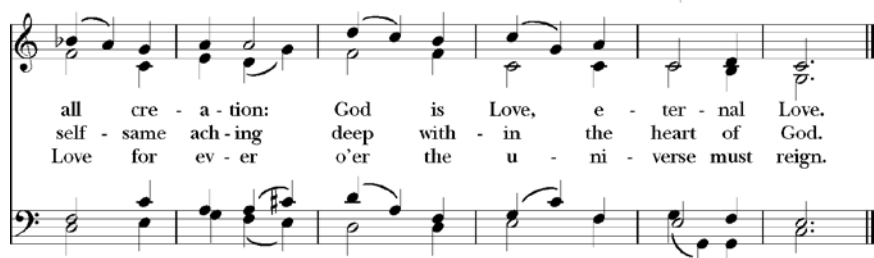
earth re - joice; let cre - a - tion sing be - fore him
 one em - brace; with un - fail - ing grasp God holds us,
 hu - man life, God's e - ter - nal lov - ing - kind-ness



and ex - alt him with one voice. God who laid the earth's foun-
 ev - ery child of ev - ery race. And when hu - man hearts are
 guides us through our earth - ly strife. Sin and death and hell shall



da - tion, God who spread the heaven a - bove, God who breathes through
 break - ing un - der sor - row's i - ron rod, then we find that
 nev - er o'er us fi - nal tri - umph gain; God is Love, so



all cre - a - tion: God is Love, e - ter - nal Love.
 self - same ach - ing deep with - in the heart of God.
 Love for ev - er o'er the u - ni - verse must reign.

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THE DISMISSAL

Minister: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY “Grand Triumphal Chorus”
Alexandre Guilmant

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. Garwood P. Anderson

In thanksgiving for Charlie Handy’s 90th birthday

by his loving family, Trip, Michelle, James, Blake, Haylee, Felix, Robert, Beth and Kay

In memory of William C. Miller

by his family



BAPTISMS

Aug. 22 Case Dyer Campbell

William Jefferson “Liam” Campbell III

Charles Harvin Martins

Kate Patricia Newberry



WEDDINGS

Aug. 22 Emily McKay Sullivan and Charles William Doubleday

To mark any occasion with altar flower dedications, visit smec.org/altar-flowers 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:

Shelly Bain	Hank Showalter
Courtney Culver Baker	Bob Smith
Cory Blackman	Mitch Starkey
Gary Browning	Neal Starkey
Nick Carbone	Janis and James Stokes
Anna Creeggan	Stanley Williams
Gail Cunningham	Eric Zoerb
Dusan Damjanovic	Abigail
Bobby de Sosa	Angela
Linda de Sosa	Beverly
Charlotte Dion	David
Carole Embley	Judy
Bruce Fowler	Katy
Alex Graham, Jr.	Mark
Hope Griscom	Rick
Shea Guinn	Stephen
Bette Haidusek	
Laurie Howard	
Sara Jabbari	
Mary and Jim Jennings	
Dick Kilday	
Mike Lawler	
Bruce Michael Lee	
Nicole Lockney	
Mark, Sherri and Ryan Logan	
Linda Maddux	
Jane McAfee	
Shirley McAllister	
Martin O'Malley	
Colin Peoples	
Antone Peterson	
Ophelia Pujol	
Barbara Quackenbush	
Phyllis Reinhardt	
Jason Rivera	
John "Jack" Roady	
Sarah and Perry Robinson	
Elizabeth Schafer	
Helen and Jim Shaffer	
Clif Shoemake	

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 vriviera@smec.org.

CONTINUING PRAYERS

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

Col. Julian Benton	1st Lt. Stephen Jeckovich	SrA James Peoples
1LT. Tom Cadwallender	Major Blake Kidd	PFC Alex Pickett
1LT. Yonatan Cadwallender	Cadet George Kinder	2Lt. Thomas Pimentel
Thomas Cochran	Colonel James Korth	Lt. Col. Thomas Plant
Capt. Casey Gainer	Lt. Jonathan Lesieur	CPO Brian Powell
Lt. Col. Cameron Hartner	Charles Lewis	Jared Ross
Lt. Cmdr. Tiffany Hartner	Capt. Jack Mullen	1st Lt. Jeffers Shaper
CDR Bradley Hoffman	Capt. Alex Mullen	MIDN Morgan Tannery
LTC Wesley Hunnell	Spc4 Parris Owen	CPO Evan Tomlin

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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.

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

NEXT TWO WEEKS AT ST. MARTIN'S

St. Martin's Campus is closed Monday, Sept. 7, in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

ADULTS

SUNDAY

- ▶ **8+** *Aug. 30, Sept. 6 • 8:55 a.m. • Chapel Reception Hall*
- ▶ **Theology for Life** *Aug. 30 • 10:15 a.m. • Bagby Parish Hall*
- ▶ **Outreach Volunteer Round Up** *Aug. 30 • 10:15 a.m. • Student Life Center 2nd Floor*
- ▶ **Dr. Grosso Welcome Reception** *Sept. 6 • 10:15 a.m. • Cloister Garden*
- ▶ **Docent Tour** *Sept. 6 • Following 11:15 a.m. services • The Church Narthex*

MONDAY

- ▶ **Saintly Stitchers** *Aug. 31 • 10 a.m. • Activity Center Upper Hall East*
- ▶ **Global Prayer Group** *Aug. 31 • 1:30 p.m. • Children's Life Center*

TUESDAY

- ▶ **Prayer Shawl Ministry** *Sept. 1, 8 • 9 a.m. • Activity Center Family Room*
- ▶ **Kids' Meals** *Sept. 1 • 4 p.m. • Student Life Center*
- ▶ **Alzheimer's Caregiver's Support Group** *Sept. 8 • 3 p.m. • Hope and Healing Center Room 103*
- ▶ **Rector's Bible Study** *Sept. 8 • Noon • Student Life Center*
- ▶ **Church in the Field** *Sept. 8 • 6:15 p.m. • St. Martin's Parking Lot Carpool*

WEDNESDAY

- ▶ **Blanket Ladies** *Sept. 2, 9 • 10 a.m. • Activity Center Family Room*
- ▶ **Docent Tour** *Sept. 2, 9 • 11 a.m. • The Church Narthex*
- ▶ **St. Clare's Guild** *Sept. 2, 9 • Noon • Activity Center Upper Hall East*
- ▶ **Faith in Literature Day Group** *Sept. 9 • 1 p.m. • Children's Life Center*
- ▶ **OSL Study Group** *Sept. 9 • 4:30 p.m. • Children's Life Center*
- ▶ **St. Martin's 20s & 30s** *Sept. 9 • 7 p.m. • Children's Life Center*

NEXT TWO WEEKS AT ST. MARTIN'S

ADULTS

THURSDAY

- ▶ **Parish Choir** *Sept. 3, 10 • 7 p.m. • The Music Center Rehearsal Hall*

MEN

THURSDAY

- ▶ **Dads' Bible Study** *Sept. 3, 10 • 8 a.m. • Welcome Center*

STUDENTS

SUNDAY

- ▶ **Choristers** *Aug. 30, Sept. 6 • 10:15 a.m. • Children's Life Center*
- ▶ **Sunday Get-Togethers** *Aug. 30 • 10:15 a.m. • Student Life Center*

WEDNESDAY

- ▶ **Life Groups** *Sept. 9 • 6 p.m. • Student Life Center*

CHILDREN

SUNDAY

- ▶ **Childcare** *Aug. 30, Sept. 6 • 8 a.m. • Children's Life Center*
- ▶ **Junior Choristers** *Aug. 30, Sept. 6 • 8:30 a.m. • Children's Life Center*
- ▶ **Sunday School** *Aug. 30 • 10:15 a.m. • Children's Life Center*

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THIS MORNING'S GUEST SPEAKER

Dr. Garwood P. Anderson

Senior Fellow in Biblical Studies, Lumen Center

Stephen & Laurel Brown Foundation

Former Dean, Nashotah House Theological Seminary

Upon concluding his tenure as Dean and President of Nashotah House Theological Seminary in 2024, Dr. Anderson then began at the Lumen Center as

Distinguished Fellow in Biblical Studies. Last month, he became a full-time Senior Fellow. His 40 years in diverse ministry roles have centered on teaching, scholarship, academic leadership, and mentoring emerging leaders.

He has published articles and reviews in prominent academic journals and contributed numerous articles to major reference works. His book, *Paul's New Perspective: A Soteriological Journey*, traces the development of Paul's understanding of salvation through his letters.

Read more about Dr. Anderson here.



OSL

A MINISTRY OF
CHRISTIAN HEALING

Healing and Wholeness

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

Wednesday, Sept. 2 | 5 p.m.

Parish Life Center or via Zoom



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SUNDAY WORSHIP

Combined Services



Sunday, Sept. 6

All services in The Church

- 8 a.m.** Traditional Holy Eucharist; no music
- 9:15 a.m.*** Family Table and Traditional Holy Eucharist
- 11:15 a.m.*** Riverway and Traditional Holy Eucharist
- 6 p.m.** Traditional Holy Eucharist

**These services will be livestreamed*

New Traditional Service Schedule

Beginning Sept. 13 • The Church

- 8 a.m.** HOLY EUCHARIST
6 p.m. SPOKEN-NO MUSIC
- 9 a.m.** MORNING PRAYER*
LIVESTREAMED
- 11:15 a.m.** HOLY EUCHARIST
LIVESTREAMED
- 4 p.m.** CHORAL EVENSONG
LIVESTREAMED
- 5 p.m.** FELLOWSHIP AND
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



View ways to worship at St. Martin's
by visiting smec.org/traditional-worship

**Except first Sunday of the month, which will be Holy Eucharist*



RECTOR'S

Bible Study

with the Rev. Dane Boston

Tuesdays

Beginning Sept. 8

Noon–1 p.m.

Student Life Center

Contact: Tany James
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Take a meaningful pause in your week and join our Rector, the Rev. Dane Boston, as he leads Parishioners through the appointed lectionary readings for the upcoming Sunday.

*Explore. Reflect.
Grow in Faith.*



**JUST
FOR**
SEPTEMBER

Sept. 13-Oct. 9

Times and locations vary

*Registration runs
Aug. 23-Sept. 13*



Join us for a four-week small group series that meets during the Sunday School hour. Clergy and lay leaders will guide us through four key texts from the **Gospel of John**. Gather for a round-table discussion and close with prayer for one another.

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