

MORNING PRAYER

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

October 25, 2026



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.*

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 worshippers.*

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If you're visiting today, we're so glad you're here! Please scan the **QR code** to connect with us.



We'd love to meet you, so please introduce yourself to one of our Clergy or come by the Welcome Center before or after the service.

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MORNING PRAYER

As found beginning on page 37 in the Book of Common Prayer

VOLUNTARY “Passacaglia BWV 582/1” Johann Sebastian Bach

The People stand for the Procession and join in singing

*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).

The Officiant says

Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. Philippians 1:2

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The Officiant says to the people

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

All kneel and, after a moment of silent reflection, say

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare thou those who confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

The Officiant stands and says

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

All stand for

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Officiant: O Lord, open thou our lips.

People: And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Officiant and People

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world
without end. Amen.**

Officiant: Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:

People: O come, let us adore him.

All join in singing

✠ VENITE

1-3 1. O come, let us sing un-to the Lord; let us
heart - i - ly re-joyce in the strength of our sal - va - tion. Let us
come be-fore his pres-ence with thanks - giv - ing and
show our-selves glad in him with psalms. For the Lord is a great
God, and a great King a - bove all gods. In his
hand are all the cor - ners of the earth, and the

strength of the hills is his al - so. The sea is his, and he
 made it, and his hands pre - pared the dry land. O
 come, let us wor-ship and fall down, and kneel be-fore the Lord our
 mak - er. For he is the Lord our God, and we are the peo-ple of his
 pas - ture and the sheep of his hand. O
 wor - ship the Lord in the beau - ty of ho - li-ness; For he
 com - eth, for he com - eth to judge the earth, and with
 right - eous-ness to judge the world and the peo-ples with his truth.
 Glo - ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost: as it
 was in the be - gin-ning, is now, and ev - er shall be.
 world with-out end. A - - - - - men.
 A - - - - - men.

Text: Psalm 95, para. Music: *Venite*, Keith Lathrom (b. 1989) © Keith Lathrom, 2026.

Officiant: Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:

People: O come, let us adore him.

All sit and join in singing

THE PSALM.....Psalm 1, Coverdale



- 1 Blessed is the man that hath not walked in the counsel of
the ungodly, nor stood in the | way of | sinners*
and hath not | sat • in the | seat • of the | scornful.
 - 2 But his delight is in the | law • of the | Lord*
and in his law will he | exercise • him- | self • day and
| night.
 - 3 And he shall be like a tree | planted • by the | water-side*
that will bring | forth his | fruit • in due | season.
 - 4 His leaf also | shall not | wither*
and look, whatsoever he | doeth, | it shall | prosper.
 - 5 As for the ungodly, it is not | so with | them*
but they are like the chaff,
which the wind scattereth away | from the | face • of the
| earth.
 - 6 Therefore the ungodly shall not be able to | stand • in the
| judgement*
neither the sinners in the congre- | gation | of the
| righteous.
 - 7 But the Lord knoweth the | way • of the | righteous*
and the way of the un- | godly | shall | perish.
- Glory be to the Father and | to • the | Son*
and | to the | Holy | Ghost.
- As it was in the beginning is | now and • ever | shall be*
world without | end. √A- | .. | men.

THE FIRST LESSON Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18

And the Lord said to Moses, “Say to all the congregation of the people of Israel, You shall be holy; for I the Lord your God am holy. You shall do no injustice in judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great, but in righteousness shall you judge your neighbor. You shall not go up and down as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand forth against the life of your neighbor: I am the Lord. You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason with your neighbor, lest you bear sin because of him. You shall not take vengeance or bear any grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord.”

Reader: Here endeth the Lesson.

All stand and join in singing

*THE FIRST CANTICLE “Song of Zechariah”



1. Blessed be the God of Is - ra - el, who comes to set us free; he
 2. He from the house of Da - vid a child of grace has given; a
 3. On pris - on - ers of dark - ness the sun be - gins to rise, the

vis - its and re - deems us, he grants us li - ber - ty, The
 Sa - vior comes a - mong us to raise us up to heaven. Be -
 dawn - ing of for - give - ness up - on the sin - ner's eyes. He

pro - phets spoke of mer - cy, of free - dom and re - lease; God
 fore him goes his her - ald, fore - run - ner in the way, the
 guides the feet of pil - grims a - long the paths of peace. O

shall ful - fill his pro - mise and bring his peo - ple peace.
 pro - phet of sal - va - tion, the har - bin - ger of Day.
 bless our God and Sa - vior with songs that nev - er cease.

Music: *King's Lynn*, English melody; adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

All sit for

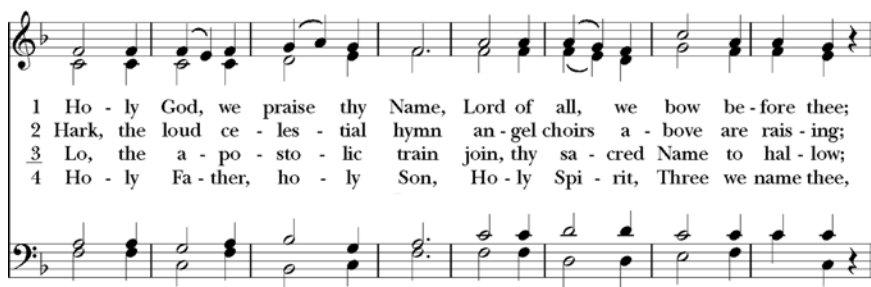
THE SECOND LESSON Matthew 22:34-46

But when the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sad'ducees, they came together. And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question, to test him. "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?" And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it, You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets." Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them a question, saying, "What do you think of the Christ? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David, inspired by the Spirit, calls him Lord, saying, 'The Lord said to my Lord, sit at my right hand, till I put thy enemies under thy feet'? If David thus calls him Lord, how is he his son?" And no one was able to answer him a word, nor from that day did any one dare to ask him any more questions.

Reader: Here endeth the Lesson.

All stand and join in singing

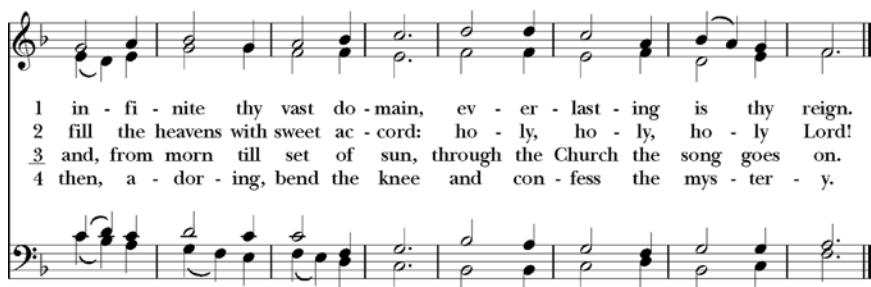
*THE SECOND CANTICLE “Te Deum”



1 Ho - ly God, we praise thy Name, Lord of all, we bow be - fore thee;
 2 Hark, the loud ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a - bove are rais - ing;
 3 Lo, the a - po - sto - lic train join, thy sa - cred Name to hal - low;
 4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spi - rit, Three we name thee,



1 all on earth thy scep - ter claim, all in heaven a - bove a - dore thee;
 2 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim, in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing,
 3 pro - phets swell the loud re - frain, and the white-robed mar - tyrs fol - low;
 4 while in es - sence on - ly One, un - di - vi - ded God we claim thee;



1 in - fi - nite thy vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is thy reign.
 2 fill the heavens with sweet ac - cord: ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!
 3 and, from morn till set of sun, through the Church the song goes on.
 4 then, a - dor - ing, bend the knee and con - fess the mys - ter - y.

Words: Para. the *Te Deum*, Sts. 1–4, Ignaz Franz (1719–1790), tr. Clarence Walworth (1820–1900). Sts. 5–7, F. Bland Tucker (1895–1984); Music: *Grosser Gott*, melody from *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, 1686; alt. *Cantante*, 1851; harm. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867–1944), after Conrad Kocher (1786–1872).

*THE APOSTLES' CREED

All say together

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE SALUTATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Officiant: Let us pray.

All kneel and say together

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 SUFFRAGES, FORM A

V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

R. And grant us thy salvation.

V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness;

R. And make thy chosen people joyful.

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

R. For only in thee can we live in safety.

V. Lord, keep this nation under thy care;

R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

V. Let thy way be known upon earth;

R. Thy saving health among all nations.

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

R. And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.

THE COLLECTS

The Officiant then says the following Collects

Almighty and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

O God, who makest us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of thy Son our Lord: Grant us this day such blessing through our worship of thee, that the days to come may be spent in thy favor; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of thy faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before thee for all members of thy holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and godly serve thee; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Authorized intercessions and thanksgivings may follow.

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

All say together

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving kindness to us and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

The Officiant then says

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication unto thee, and hast promised through thy well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name thou wilt be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

The Officiant says

V. Let us bless the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

2 Corinthians 13:14

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

All stand and join in singing

*HYMN 593.....“Lord, Make Us Servants of Your Peace”

1 Lord, make us ser - vants of your peace: where there is
2 Where all is doubt, may we sow faith; where all is
3 Je - sus, our Lord, may we not seek to be con -
4 May we not look for love's re - turn, but seek to
5 Dy - ing, we live, and are re - born through death's dark

1 hate, may we sow love; where there is hurt, may we for -
2 gloom, may we sow hope; where all is night, may we sow
3 soled, but to con - sole, nor look to un - der - stand - ing
4 love un - self - ish - ly, for in our giv - ing we re -
5 night to end - less day: Lord, make us ser - vants of your

1 give; where there is strife, may we make one.
2 light; where all is tears, may we sow joy.
3 hearts, but look for hearts to un - der - stand.
4 ceive, and in for - giv - ing are for - given.
5 peace, to wake at last in hea - ven's light.

James Quinn (b. 1919), based on a prayer att. to St. Francis of Assisi (1182-1226); Music: Dickinson College.

THE SERMON The Rev. Elizabeth A. Miller

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

THE OFFERTORY

During the Offertory, Ushers will come forward to receive the gifts and tithes of the People. Online gifts can be made through the QR code. All donations support St. Martin’s mission and ministries as we proclaim the Gospel in word and deed.



Members of St. Martin’s are encouraged to reflect prayerfully on and fulfill their annual pledge of support to the Parish. Guests and visitors are never expected or required to give, but all contributions are very gratefully received.

ANTHEM “Thee We Adore”
T. Frederick Candlyn

Thee we adore, O hidden Savior, Thee, who in Thy sacrament art pleased to be; both flesh and spirit in Thy presence fail. Yet here Thy presence we devoutly hail. O blest memorial of our dying Lord, who living bread to men doth here afford! O may our souls forever feed on Thee, and Thou, O Christ, forever precious be. Fountain of goodness, Jesu, Lord and God, cleanse us, unclean, in Thy most cleansing flood; increase our faith and love, that we may know the hope and peace which from Thy presence flow. O Christ, whom now beneath a veil we see, may what we thirst for soon our portion be, to gaze on Thee unveiled, and see Thy face, the vision of Thy glory and Thy grace.

Based on the plainsong *Adore te devote*; Text: Translated from St. Thomas Aquinas; Copyright: © 1937 Carl Fischer.

As the Offering is brought forward, all stand and sing

THE DOXOLOGY

The musical score for 'The Doxology' is presented in three systems, each with a treble and bass staff joined by a brace. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first system contains the lyrics 'Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise'. The second system contains 'him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye'. The third system contains 'heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.' The music is a simple, hymn-like melody with a steady bass line.

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 BENEDICTION

The Officiant says

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up the light of His countenance upon you, and give you peace. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

All join in singing

HYMN 598 “Lord Christ, When First Thou Cam’st to Earth”



1 Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth, up - on a cross they
 2 O awe - ful Love, which found no room in life where sin de -
 3 New ad - vent of the love of Christ, shall we a - gain re -
 4 O wound - ed hands of Je - sus, build in us thy new cre -

bound thee, and mocked thy sav - ing king - ship then
 nied thee, and, doomed to death, must bring to doom
 fuse thee, till in the night of hate and war
 a - tion; our pride is dust, our vaunt is stilled,

by thorns with which they crowned thee; and still our wrongs
 the powers which cru - ci - fied thee, till not a stone
 we per - ish as we lose thee? From old un - faith
 we wait thy rev - e - la - tion: O love that tri -

may weave thee now new thorns to pierce that
 was left on stone, and all those na - tions'
 our souls re - lease to seek the king - dom
 umphs o - ver loss, we bring our hearts be -

stead - y brow, and robe of sor - row round thee.
 pride, o'er-thrown, went down to dust be - side thee!
 of thy peace, by which a - lone we choose thee.
 fore thy cross, to fi - nish thy sal - va - tion.

Words: Walter Russell Bowie (1882–1969), alt.; Music: *Mit Freuden zart*, melody from “Une pastourelle gentille,” 1529; adapt. *Pseaumes cinquante de David*, 1547, and *Kirchengesang darinnen die Heubtartikel des Christlichen Glaubens gefasset*, 1566; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958), after Heinrich Reimann (19th cent.); Copyright: Words: By permission of the family of Walter Russell Bowie.

VOLUNTARY “Toccata in F Major” Dietrich Buxtehude

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

RECOGNITIONS



FLOWERS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

On the occasion of their marriage

by Caroline Garrett Powers and William Lee Alford

In thanksgiving for the baptism of Elizabeth Collins Green

by CC and Harris Green



BAPTISMS

Oct. 17 Khaki Laine Davis

Patrick Thompson Roberts

Walker James Wooten



SYMPATHY

Aug. 27 Ann Binford Arney Halverson

Sept. 10 James Stokes

Oct. 7 Donald W. Owens, M.D.

Oct. 11 Joan Clay Lowe

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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	Andrea Kuhn	Bob Smith
Courtney Culver Baker	Mike Lawler	Mitch Starkey
Cory Blackman	Bruce Michael Lee	Neal Starkey
Mary Martin Boswell	Cyde Loan	Janis Stokes
Marsha Brown	Nicole Lockney	Posey Turpin
Gary Browning	Mark, Sherri and Ryan Logan	The Wiggins family
Nick Carbone	Klista Loomis	Stanley Williams
David Class	Linda Maddux	Eric Zoerb
Anna Creeggan	Jane McAfee	Angela
Gail Cunningham	Kathy McLeod	Abigail
Dusan Damjanovic	Amy McWhorter	Beverly
Bobby de Sosa	Trippe Nevins	Blair
Linda de Sosa	Martin O'Malley	David
Charlotte Dion	Colin Peoples	Jack
Judy Jordan Eckert	Jiann Pemberton	Jim
Carole Embley	Antone Peterson	Judy
Bruce Fowler	Ophelia Pujol	Katy
Molly Gilmore	Barbara Quackenbush	Mark
Alex Graham, Jr.	Phyllis Reinhardt	Nos
Hope Griscom	Jason Rivera	Olga
Shea Guinn	Pat Sadler	Pam
Bette Haidusek	Sarah and Perry Robinson	Rick
Laurie Howard	Elizabeth Schafer	Said
Sara Jabbari	Helen and Jim Shaffer	Soraya
Mary and Jim Jennings	Clif Shoemake	Stephen
Dick Kilday	Isabella Slant	Suzan

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

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OUR WORSHIP SERVICES

TRADITIONAL SUNDAY SERVICES

Holy Eucharist · 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. · The Church

Spoken service; no music

Morning Prayer · 9 a.m. · The Church

Except first Sunday of the month, which is Holy Eucharist

Holy Eucharist · 11:15 a.m. · The Church

With Children's Chapel for K-5th Grade

Evensong · 4 p.m. · The Church

FAMILY TABLE SUNDAY SERVICE

Holy Eucharist · 9:15 a.m. · Parish Life Center

Traditional liturgy with contemporary music for families with young children

RIVERWAY SUNDAY SERVICE

Holy Eucharist · 11:15 a.m. · Parish Life Center

Anglican and modern with contemporary music and Children's Chapel for K-5th Grade

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

ADULTS

SUNDAY

- ▶ **8+** *Oct. 25, Nov. 1 • 8:55 a.m. • Chapel Reception Hall*
- ▶ **Theology for Life** *Oct. 25, Nov. 1 • 10:15 a.m. • Bagby Parish Hall*
- ▶ **Anglicanism 101** *Oct. 25, Nov. 1 • 10:15 a.m. • Chapel Reception Hall*
- ▶ **Spiritual Formation** *Oct. 25, Nov. 1 • 10:15 a.m. • Levenson Pastoral Care Center, Bride's Parlor*
- ▶ **Seafarer Christmas Box Wrapping** *Oct. 25 • 10:15 a.m. • Children's Life Center*
- ▶ **Family Life Class** *Nov. 1 • 10:15 a.m. • Activity Center Game Room*
- ▶ **Fellowship/Christian Education** *Nov. 1 • 5 p.m. • Bagby Parish Hall*

MONDAY

- ▶ **The Gathering** *Oct. 26 • 10 a.m. • Bagby Parish Hall*
- ▶ **Global Prayer Group** *Oct. 26, Nov. 2 • 1:30 p.m. • Children's Life Center*
- ▶ **Membership 101** *Oct. 26 • 6 p.m. • Bagby Parish Hall • RSVP by 5 p.m. today at smec.org/membership*

TUESDAY

- ▶ **Prayer Shawl Ministry** *Oct. 27, Nov. 3 • 9 a.m. • Activity Center Family Room*
- ▶ **Rector's Bible Study** *Oct. 27, Nov. 3 • Noon • Chapel Reception Hall*
- ▶ **St. Martin's Fellows** *Oct. 27 • 6:30 p.m. • Student Life Center, Living Room*

WEDNESDAY

- ▶ **Morning Prayer Group** *Oct. 28, Nov. 4 • 8 a.m. • Activity Center Family Room*
- ▶ **Gardens Tour** *Oct. 28 • 10 a.m. • The Church Narthex*
- ▶ **St. Martin's 20s & 30s** *Oct. 28, Nov. 4 • 6:45 p.m. • Children's Life Center*

ADULTS

THURSDAY

- ▶ **Deep Roots Book Study** *Oct. 29 • 6:15 p.m. • Student Life Center Living Room*
- ▶ **Parish Choir** *Oct. 29, Nov. 5 • 7 p.m. • The Music Center*

NEXT TWO WEEKS AT ST. MARTIN'S

MEN

TUESDAY

- Kids' Meals *Oct. 27 • 5 p.m. • Parish Life Center Kitchen*

THURSDAY

- Dads' Bible Study *Oct. 29, Nov. 5 • 8 a.m. • Welcome Center*
- Men of St. Martin's *Oct. 29, Nov. 5 • 7 a.m. • Bagby Parish Hall*

WOMEN

TUESDAY

- CLS Evening Group *Oct. 27, Nov. 3 • 6:30 p.m. • Children's Life Center*

WEDNESDAY

- The Moms' Group *Oct. 28, Nov. 4 • 11 a.m. • Student Life Center Living Room*

THURSDAY

- CLS Day Group *Oct. 29, Nov. 5 • 9:30 a.m. • Parish Life Center*

STUDENTS

SUNDAY

- Choristers *Oct. 25, Nov. 1 • 8 a.m. • The Music Center*
- Seafarer Christmas Box Wrapping *Oct. 25 • 10:15 a.m. • Children's Life Center*

CHILDREN

SUNDAY

- Childcare *Oct. 25, Nov. 1 • 8 a.m. • Children's Life Center • Infants to pre-K*
- Junior Choristers *Oct. 25, Nov. 1 • 8:30 a.m. • Children's Life Center*
- Seafarer Christmas Box Wrapping *Oct. 25 • 10:15 a.m. • Children's Life Center*

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Sunday, Oct. 25 • 4 p.m. • The Church

Free Admission

A Nationally Acclaimed Choir Comes to St. Martin's

Experience the artistry of **Ensemble Altera**, one of the nation's leading professional chamber choirs, when the Music at St. Martin's Concert Series presents this acclaimed ensemble.

Led by internationally celebrated countertenor Christopher Lowrey, Ensemble Altera has been praised by the "Boston Musical Intelligencer" for its "seamless ensemble perfection." The ensemble's thoughtful and engaging programs invite audiences into the beauty and power of choral music.

This special performance takes the place of Choral Evensong and is open to the public. Join us for an unforgettable afternoon of music at St. Martin's!



CHRISTMAS *Flowers*

Dedications open: 8 a.m. Monday, Oct. 26

Dedications close: 5 p.m. Monday, Nov. 16

**Remember a loved one with poinsettias to decorate
St. Martin's worship spaces and the Gardens of the Holy Cross.**

All requests received by 5 p.m. Monday, Nov. 16, will be included in the Christmas Flowers listing available in the worship booklets at all Christmas services. Any requests received after the deadline will be published in worship booklets in the weeks following Christmas.



Make your flower dedication online at
smec.org/christmasflowers

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



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS

FALL BACK
Sunday, Nov. 1
at 2 a.m.

*Set your clocks back
one hour. Enjoy more
light in the morning.*

ALL SAINTS' DAY

ALL SOULS' SUNDAY

Sunday, Nov. 1 • The Church

On All Saints' Day, we celebrate the communion of saints, the holy men and women whose faithful lives continue to inspire us. Through Baptism, we welcome new members into the Body of Christ by water and the Holy Spirit, a fitting act on one of the Episcopal Church's principal baptismal feasts.

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| 8 a.m. and
6 p.m. | Traditional spoken service
with Holy Eucharist |
| 9:15 a.m. | Traditional and Family Table combined services
with the Sacrament of Baptism and Holy Eucharist |
| 11:15 a.m. | Traditional and Riverway combined services with
the Sacrament of Baptism and Holy Eucharist |
| 4 p.m. | Choral Evensong for All Souls' Sunday |



WYCLIFFE FORUM 2026

CHRISTIAN FAITH AND NATIONAL PRIORITIES *with the Rt. Rev. N. T. Wright*

Faithful in a Divided Age

Friday, Nov. 6 and Saturday, Nov. 7

8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Parish Life Center

\$175 per person, includes coffee and pastries in the morning, plus lunch

Financial assistance available upon request

How should Christians think about national priorities in an age of polarization and division?

Delving deeper into Scripture, distinguished scholars will help us explore Christian political responsibility with hope, not hostility.



Questions?

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ST. MARTIN'S ANNUAL COOKIE CONTEST!

SUNDAY, NOV. 8
10:15-11:15 A.M.
BAGBY PARISH HALL
AFTER THE PARISH PICTURE



WILL THIS BE YOUR YEAR TO WIN? REGISTER AT [SMEC.ORG/COOKIE-CONTEST](https://smec.org/cookie-contest)

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