

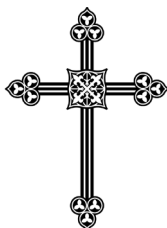
THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 11, 2021



OUR MISSION

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



ST. MARTIN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

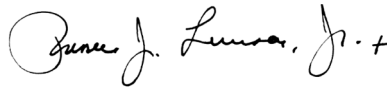
FROM THE RECTOR

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

Jesus' first words to His earliest disciples were very simple, "Come, follow Me..." (Matthew 4:19) It was a gentle invitation to take seriously the wonderful journey of faith found in Christ. For more than 2,000 years, people of all ages have responded to that invitation through a personal decision to follow Jesus Christ in a community of prayer, study and service. St. Martin's is just such a place.

St. Martin's is a member Church in the Diocese of Texas, The Episcopal Church in the United States of America and the greater worldwide Anglican Communion consisting of more than 77 million people. Our Parish Church considers it a tremendous honor to be a place where men, women, youth and children can grow in their personal relationship with our Lord, come to know and use their own spiritual gifts, and discover a personal ministry to be expressed both in the Church, the greater Houston area and beyond.

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



The Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson, Jr., Rector

Prayers Before Worship

O Lord, we thank You that You have called us as members of Your family into this beautiful house of God. Grant that here we may feel Your presence and the beauty of Your peace, and that, as we return to our homes and work, we may sense Your guiding hand and loving care and be used in the service of our neighbors, our nation and the world, and all You send our way, through Him Who came not to condemn the world but to save it, Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. ***Amen.***

Heavenly Father, we thank You for Your provision for our church family, especially the resources we need to expand and develop our church campus in order to further the work of Your Gospel in this place. Give us strength and grace as the construction takes place, that it would go as You will, for Your purposes and Your kingdom. Bless and keep safe all those who labor on our behalf. All this we ask through the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. ***Amen.***



Frequently Asked Questions

How do I register for the next in-person service?

Registration opens at 9 a.m. on Monday for Sunday in-person services for that week. To register for The Church or The Family Table services, visit at bit.ly/smecworshippersv or call 713-621-3040. *It is not necessary to register for Wednesday in-person services.*

What do I do when I arrive?

Please check in when you arrive.

- Seating is on a first come, first serve basis. When seated, use the six feet signs in the pews to social distance yourself from the people sitting next to you. Ushers are available to assist if needed.
- Doors to The Church open at 11:20 a.m. for the Wednesday service.
- Doors to The Church open at 9:20 a.m. for the Sunday service.
- Doors to Bagby Parish Hall open at 8:45 a.m. for The Family Table service.
- Doors close 5 minutes before the service starts. We appreciate your understanding and assistance in keeping on schedule.

What if my plans changed and I cannot attend?

Please cancel your reservation to allow others the opportunity to have your seat. The link to cancel can be found in your confirmation email. If the number of people in your reservation changes:

- For The Church, please contact Kathy Johnson at 713-985-3834.
- For The Family Table, please contact Beth Ollenburger at 713-830-4146.

Will childcare be available?

Currently child care is available for Sunday in-person worship only. *Availability is limited.* For additional information and to register, visit bit.ly/smecworshippersv or contact Holli Kight at 713-985-3816 or hkight@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

Will I be able to use the Bibles and/or Books of Common Prayer that are in the pew racks?

No. All materials, including hymnals and Books of Common Prayer, have been removed for your safety. All service information will be included in the worship bulletin. You are welcome to bring your own Book of Common Prayer or Bible to use.

Will valet parking be available?

While valet parking is unavailable at this time, family members may drop off others under porte cochères.

Are services available online?

Yes, we will continue to live stream our services on YouTube and Facebook.

Now that we have reopened for worship, has St. Martin's campus also reopened?

Essential staff continues to work on campus as needed, but the campus remains closed.

- Café St. Martin's Curbside is available for lunch Monday–Friday. The menu and instructions for ordering and pick-up are available at stmartinsepiscopal.org/cafe-st-martins. Please contact Chrissy Kana at cafe@stmartinsepiscopal.org for further questions.
- St. Martin's Gift Shoppe is open 9 a.m.–noon Sundays and 10 a.m.–4 p.m. Monday–Thursday. Private appointments are available by contacting giftshoppe@stmartinsepiscopal.org or 713-985-3840.



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT **ST. MARTIN'S**

APRIL 11–17

ADULTS

SUNDAY, APRIL 11



Basic Bible Study with the Rev. Alex D. Graham III

Big Beliefs for Real Life: The Lamb Wins – The Final Victory of God

Distributed in the morning via email

This series will take us through big beliefs of faith, using the book *Café Theology* to consider the big story of God and how it affects our smaller stories of faith.

TUESDAY, APRIL 13

Group is meeting Tuesday instead of Wednesday this week.



St. Martin's 20s & 30s

Theology on Tap

7–9 p.m.

New Magnolia Brewing Co., 1616 Bevis St., Houston, Texas 77008.

20s and 30s will join other 20s and 30s for Theology on Tap from across Houston. \$5 suggested donation. To register visit bit.ly/20sand30stheologyontap

For more information about Adult Christian Education,
email Katwana Coleman at kcoleman@stmartinespiscopal.org.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

SUNDAY, APRIL 11



Children's Ministry has engaging lessons, curriculum and content for both preschool and elementary school. We'll be sending out weekly emails with links to virtual Sunday school videos and parent leader guides.



For more information about Children's Ministry, email Holli Kight at hkight@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

7-1-7 STUDENTS

SUNDAY, APRIL 11

BIG Sunday

"Big Stories"

5-7 p.m. via Zoom (ID: 991 5933 2674)



Big stories continue as we spend time with one of our missionary partners from Sus Hijos, Kurt Ackermann. Join us for fun, games and beautiful stories of Biblical justice acted out in the lives of ordinary people.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14

Life Groups

Wednesdays through May 5 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom

Middle School ID: #949 5175 4882

High School ID: #962 9273 1076

High School Life Group also meets in person

Student Life Center, Main Hall



Life Groups break out by groups for a time of study and discussion on Biblical perspectives that guide our lives today.

For more information about 7-1-7 Students and to receive Zoom passcodes, email Student Ministries at students@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

HOLY EUCHARIST

VOLUNTARY ... *Fugue in C Major, "Gigue"* (BuxWV 174)

Dietrich Buxtehude

Kevin Riehle, Choral Director of Adult Choir

All stand following the greeting.

Begin on page 323 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP)

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

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.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP p. 224)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us pray. (*kneel*)

The Celebrant says the Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

All stand.

HYMN 693 (vs. 1, 2, 5 and 6)..... "Just as I Am"

*Jan Cornelius LeClair, Brennan Blankenship, Jeff Ragsdale,
Ben LeClair, Annamarie Zmolek and Patrick Perez,
St. Martin's Parish Choir*

1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, but that thy
2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - ya
*3 Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; sight, rich - es,
4 Just as I am: thou wilt re - ceive; wilt wel - come,
5 Just as I am, thy love un - known has bro - ken

1 blood was shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me
2 con - flict, man - ya doubt; fight - ings and fears with -
3 heal - ing of the mind, yea, all I need, in
4 par - don, cleanse, re - lieve, be - cause thy prom - ise
5 ev - ery bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea,

1 come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
2 in, with - out, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
3 thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
4 I be - lieve, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
5 thine a - lone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6 Just as I am, of thy great love
the breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,
here for a season, then above:
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Words: Charlotte Elliott (1789–1871); Music: Woodworth, William Batchelder Bradbury (1816–1868).

THE LESSON 1 John 1:9–2:2

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word is not in us. My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

All stand.

HYMN 671 (vs. 1 and 2).....“Amazing Grace”

1 A - maz - ing grace! how sweet the sound, that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, his
 4 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
 *5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

1 saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but
 2 grace my fears re - lieved; how pre - cious did that
 3 word my hope se - cures; he will my shield and
 4 have al - rea - dy come; 'tis grace that brought me
 5 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

1 now am found, was blind but now I see.
 2 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 3 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 4 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 5 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

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

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

THE GOSPEL.....John 21:15-19

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

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Please be seated.

THE SERMON “The Reason You Were Forgiven”
The Rev. Dr. Russell J. Levenson, Jr.

THE NICENE CREED (*BCP p. 327*)

Celebrant and People

I believe in one God,
 the Father Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth,
 and of all things visible and invisible;
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
 the only-begotten Son of God,
 begotten of his Father before all worlds,
 God of God, Light of Light,
 very God of very God,
 begotten, not made,
 being of one substance with the Father;
 by whom all things were made;
 who for us men and for our salvation
 came down from heaven,
 and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the
 Virgin Mary,
 and was made man;
 and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
 he suffered and was buried;
 and the third day he rose again according to
 the Scriptures,
 and ascended into heaven,
 and sitteth on the right hand of the Father,
 and he shall come again, with glory,
 to judge both the quick and the dead;
 whose kingdom shall have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life,

who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together
is worshiped
and glorified;
who spake by the Prophets.
And I believe one holy catholic and
apostolic Church;
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission
of sins;
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (*BCP p. 387,
Form III*) (*kneel*)

Minister and People pray responsively

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For Joe, our President, Greg, our Governor, Sylvester, our Mayor and the Congress and the Courts; for all who serve in our armed forces and their families; we pray for peace throughout the world, and especially in the Middle East; and we pray for the victims of terror attacks; and we remember before you, and pray for the protection of our Christian brothers and sisters who face danger or persecution for their faith; and we pray for victims of all natural disasters. We pray for the safety of all law enforcement agents, firefighters, paramedics and all first responders who provide security and protection to the citizens they serve. We continue to pray for the many people who have contracted the coronavirus; for those in isolation, those who have lost their job or their business, and for all those in our communities involved in ministering to the sick, especially for all health care workers; and we pray for those in the hospitals,__; and those for whom our prayers have been requested,__; and for those on our Continuing Prayer List; and for all the blessings of this life, especially those remembered today with Altar flowers;,__ and we remember before you the departed,__; we give thanks for their lives and pray for their loved ones left behind.

I invite your own prayers and intercessions.

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

Celebrant adds a concluding Collect (BCP p. 394)

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

Minister says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Minister and People (BCP p. 331)

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

Priest stands and says (BCP p. 332)

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

T H E P E A C E *(stand)*

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please be seated.



The Episcopal Church Women of St. Martin's
invite you to our Spring Program

MONDAY, APRIL 19
11 a.m.–noon | The Church

BECOMING HIS *Masterpiece*

Tickets are \$30 each. Limited Seating.
Registration required.

To register, visit bit.ly/ecwspring2021

Each person will receive a signed copy of Sharon Collins' devotional, *Becoming His Masterpiece*, and a box lunch.

Event Chairs: Kathy Kyrish and Shelly Newton



GUEST SPEAKER: SHARON COLLINS

Sharon Collins' life is proof of the adage, "God doesn't call the equipped; He equips the called."

She never envisioned herself as an author

or artist. Yet, God had plans for her. In

March 2018, five months after her first painting class, Sharon felt the Lord's call to create a website to post devotionals

paired with her paintings. Her first book, *Becoming His Masterpiece*, quickly followed.

It purposefully pairs stunning abstract art with Christian devotionals. Sharon lives in Houston.

For questions, contact Katwana Coleman at 713-830-4110 or kcoleman@stmartinsepiscopal.org.



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THE OFFERTORY

ANTHEM "This Joyful Eastertide" Alice Parker and Robert Shaw

This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow! My Love, the Crucified, hath sprung to life this morrow. Had Christ, that once was slain, ne'er burst his three-day prison, our faith had been in vain; but now is Christ arisen.

Words: George R. Woodward; Music: Melody from *Dauids Psalmen* (Amsterdam, 1685). Arranged by Alice Parker and Robert Shaw. © 1951 by G. Schirmer, Inc. ARR.

AT THE PRESENTATION *Easter Hymn*

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

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

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

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

The musical score consists of four systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment (bass clef). The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The music is in a major key and 4/4 time. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody. The lyrics are: "Sing we to our God a - bove Al - le - lu - ia! praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia! 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 *(BCP p. 340) (stand)*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

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

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

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

Celebrant and People



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

The Celebrant continues (BCP p. 341) (kneel)

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

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

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

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

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

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this

Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(BCP p. 336)*

People and Celebrant

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

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

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

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

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.

The Celebrant says the Invitation. (BCP p. 338)

Please tell the priest administering Communion if you wish to receive a gluten-free wafer.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray. (BCP p. 339)

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.

EASTER BLESSING

All stand.

HYMN 180 (vs. 1 and 4).....“He Is Risen”

1 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! Tell it out with
 2 Come, ye sad and fear - ful - heart - ed, with glad smile and
 3 Come, with high and ho - ly hymn - ing, hail our Lord's tri -
 4 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! He hath o - pened

joy - ful voice: he has burst his three days' pris - on;
 ra - diant brow! Death's long sha - dows have de - part - ed;
 um - phant day; not one dark - some cloud is dim - ming
 hea - ven's gate: we are free from sin's dark pris - on,

let the whole wide earth re - jice: death is con - quered,
 Je - sus' woes are o - ver now, and the pas - sion
 yon - der glo - rious morn - ing ray, break - ing o'er the
 ris - en to a ho - lier state; and a bright - er

we are free, Christ has won the vic - to - ry.
 that he bore— sin and pain can vex no more.
 pur - ple east, sym - bol of our Eas - ter feast.
 Eas - ter beam on our long - ing eyes shall stream.

Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818–1895), alt.; Music: *Unser Herrscher*, Joachim Neander (1650–1680).

THE DISMISSAL

A Minister says the dismissal

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

RECOGNITIONS



ALTAR FLOWERS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

On the occasion of the blessing of a civil marriage of
Jennifer Delaine Kloesel and Paul Andrew Piana

In thanksgiving for the baptism of Kacey Elizabeth Halverson
by her grandparents Margie and Bin Halverson and Karen and
Ross Jennings

In thanksgiving for our sons, William and Ford
by Megan and Will Holstien

In thanksgiving for the baptism of Owen Henry Neuhaus
by Jennifer and William Neuhaus

In memory of our mother and grandmother, Jean K. Brown on the
occasion of her 95th birthday
by Debbie, Rocky and Duncan Robinson, Haley and Will Thanheiser,
Jordan and Chris Rocheleau and Robert Brown

In memory of Christopher Clinton Fox, Ross and Charlotte Fox, Pete and
Bessie Kaldis and in thanksgiving for the St. Martin's clergy
by Ross and Stephanie Fox

In memory of Claude Hippard and Bradford Chapman
by Vail Chapman and Gray Moreira

In memory of Jim Hutton
by his children and grandchildren

In memory of our parents Ann and O.J. Weber and Betty and Sam Hunt
by Carol Ann and Robert Paddock



BAPTISMS

April 3 Hyder Ralston Baker
 Vail Amelia Chapman
 Gray Edmonson Moreira

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SYMPATHY

May 1, 2020 Ursula Goedecke Aston

March 14 R. Randall Grace, Jr.



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SERMON NOTES



WHAT GOD DOES WITH OUR SINS.

1. *He lays them on His Son, Jesus Christ.* (Isaiah 53:6)
2. *Christ takes them away.* (John 1:29)
3. *They are removed an immeasurable distance, as far as east is from west.* (Psalm 103:12)
4. *When sought for they are not found.* (Jeremiah 50:20)
5. *The Lord forgives them.* (Ephesians 1:7)
6. *He cleanses them all away by the blood of His Son.* (I John 1:7)
7. *He cleanses them as white as snow or wool.* (Isaiah 1:18, Psalm 51:7)
8. *He abundantly pardons them.* (Isaiah 55:70)
9. *He tramples them under foot.* (Micah 7:19)
10. *He remembers them no more.* (Hebrews 10:17)
11. *He casts them behind His back.* (Isaiah, 38:17)
12. *He casts them into the depths of the sea.* (Micah 7:19)
13. *He will not impute us with sins.* (Romans 4:8)
14. *He covers them.* (Romans 4:7)
15. *He blots them out.* (Isaiah 43:25)
16. *He blots them out as a thick cloud.* (Isaiah 44:22)
17. *He blots out even the proof against us, nailing it to His Son's Cross.* (Colossians 2:14)

SERMON NOTES

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:

Michael Adams	Melinda Hall	Mary Kay Mohrmann
Harvey Altmann	Tom Harrington	Fran Neilson
Robert Avery	Walesk Harvey	Ann Nelson
Shelly Bain	Susie Hatfield	Rick Noble
Jack Beeson	Elizabeth Hill	Benice Nwabueze
Alli Blackman	Mollie Hill	Judy and Jay O'Connor
Michele Bouchard	Jeff Holden	Jim Paddock
John and Dianne Brock III	Elizabeth Holderfield	Randal Parrott
Brock Burns	Britt Huckaby	Rebecca Parsons
Jane Cabes	Ben Hunter	Erin Pedigo
Elaine Chandler	Debra Ibarra Mayfield	Troy Phillips
Elinor Christian	Wanda Jacobs	Jimmy Prentice
Higdon Compton, Jr.	Brittney Jacobson	Ophelia Pujol
Beth Costa	John Jamail	Caroline Rawl
Gail Davis	Shirlee Jamail	David Reese
Mac Davis	Joyce Janak	Robert Rosales
Sue Davis	Connie Jessen	Larry S
Tommy W. Davis	Helen Joyner	David and Clare Sackllah
Louis DelHomme	Muriel Kearby Albaral	Tracy and Jimmy Sackllah
Bobby deSosa	Sadie Knutzen	Brady Samuelson
Betty DeVerter	Paige Laird	Jim Sanitato
Chase Dixon	Wallis Larocque	Ellie Schilling
Nancy Doss	Amy Lee	Pam Schubert
Jeff Dykes	Stan Leong	Robert and Sylvia Seals
Jim Easterling	Shawn Levenson	Janell Sewell
Stacey Elliott	Nancy Liles	Helen and Jim Shaffer
E.J. Farhood	Martha Ann Linden	Clif Shoemake
Gil Forcade	Alex Litchfield	Frances Smith
Matt Fryar	Roberta Lloyd	Pat Smith
Lauren Furr	Ryan Logan	Tyler Smith
Brad Gallion	Charlie Malone	William Gilbert Smith
Robbie Gay	Jaclyn Manning	Matthew Snellgrove
Dee Gilbert	Jeffrey Martinson	Bob Spencer
Max Goodloe	BD McAndrew	Ron Sponberg
Steve and Amy Gula	John McMahan	Sybil Stephens
Gladys Halbouty	Michelle McStravick	Jim Stokes
Tish Hale	Hal Means	Susan Strother
	Len Menefee	

Please be advised that we will be updating the Continuing Prayers list twice a year in the months before Easter and All Saints' Day. Names will remain on the prayer list for six months. To put someone on the Continuing Prayers list, please contact Cyndy Ensign at 713-985-3808 or censign@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

CONTINUING PRAYERS

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Marjorie Taishoff Craig	Bruce	Mark
Paul Therrien	Caroline	Matthew
Bart Tomlinson	Casa San Martin, Bolivia	Millie
Randy Vander Naillen	Curt	Noble Family
Mae Joyce Wagner	Elizabeth	Oran
Alexander Wang	Henry	Patsy
Becky Wareing	Jane	Poppy
Charles Warren	Jenny	RC
Mary Waters	John and Lisa	Sally
Derry Wilkens	Karen	Sarah
James Wilkerson	Kathleen	Thomas
Tim Womack	Kathryn	Victor & Barbara
Eric Zoerb	Laura	Wang family
Ben	Luke	

Names we have received of those in the Armed Forces:

SSgt Clint Bahme	LCDR Bradley Ryan	Lt. Holly E. Pace
Lt. Col. Julian Benton	Hoffman	Lt. Paul Piana
1st Lt. Benjamin Brown	Capt. Cody Horr	LCMR David A. Pilko
Lt. Col. Chris Davis	Maj. Wesley J. Hunnell	Maj. Thomas Cook Plant
Wesley Dodd	Dallas Wayne Hunter	E-4 Brian Matthew Powell
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