SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 22, 2022



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

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.

Bunner J. Luma, Jr. +

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*.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT ST. MARTIN'S

MAY 22

Gathering

Contemplative Hour 10:15-11 a.m. | Bride's Parlor

Those who wish to deepen their contemplative walk can gather between services for prayer and sharing. For more information, contact the Rev. Sharron Cox at scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

Adults

8+ with the Rev. Jane Ferguson

8:55-9:25 a.m. | Chapel Reception Hall

This class is a Clergy-led coffee and discussion following the 8 a.m. service. Each class focuses on one of the lectionary readings for the day.

Theology for Life with Dr. Ben Blackwell, Ph.D. Director of Houston Theological Seminary, Houston Baptist University One Faith Among Many 10:15-11 a.m. | Bagby Parish Hall

This class features a series of Biblical, theological and historical topics that engage the mind and heart in worship of God and living a life of faith.

Life in Christ with the Rev. Wesley Arning Sharing in Christ: Evangelism 10:15-11 a.m. | Chapel Reception Hall

The class will look at what it means to be a disciple of Christ in the present age, from who Christ is to the message He shared and how we might follow Him today.









For more information about Children's Ministry email Ursella Rylander at urylander@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

Family Life Class with the Rev. Alex Graham III *How to Study the Bible Part 4: Application* 10:15-10:45 a.m. | Parish Life Center

This is a slightly shorter class for parents of younger families and that meets after the Family Table service three times a month-twice for class and once for a breakfast social.

Seekers with the Rev. Nick Dyke 10:15-11 a.m. | Activity Center, Aerobics Room

This class is for more senior parishioners for fellowship and lectionary-based Bible study.

For more information about Adult Christian Education, email Amanda DeViney at adeviney@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

7-I-7 Students

Episcopal Youth Community 10:15-11 a.m. | Student Life Center

Grades 6-12 are welcome to join Student Ministries for coffee, lemonade, donuts and conversation about the Scriptures shared in worship.

For more information about 7-1-7 Students email Student Ministries at students@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

Children's Ministry

Children's Sunday School 10:15-11 a.m. | Children's Life Center

We have engaging lessons, curriculum and content for both preschool and elementary school. Childcare is available during all morning services for infants through four-year-olds as well.









ST. CLARE'S Needlepoint Guild Wednesday, May 25 Noon-3 p.m. | Activity Center, Upper Hall East

St. Clare's Guild undertakes a variety of needlepoint projects in worship spaces and for outreach programs. For more information, contact the Rev. Lisa Neilson at Ineilson@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

OSL Healing Ministry Study Group

Wednesday, May 25 4:30-6 p.m. | Chapel Reception Hall and via Zoom

Learn and grow in the practice of prayer for healing, with an opportunity to train as a licensed OSL prayer minister. For more information, contact the Rev. Sharron Cox at scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

Saintly Stitchers Monday, May 23

10 a.m.-noon | Activity Center, Upper Hall East

Saintly Stitchers fill St. Martin's with pew kneelers and other gifts for worship spaces. For more information, contact the Rev. Lisa Neilson at Ineilson@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

Education for Ministry

Tuesday, May 24 6:30-8:30 p.m. | Welcome Center

EfM is a challenging and affirming four-year study developed and administered by the University of the South's School of Theology. For more information, contact the Rev. Dr. Suse McBay at smcbay@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

Church Tours

Wednesday, May 25 10:45-11:15 a.m. | Christ Chapel 11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m. | The Church

The Church and Christ Chapel will be open for visitors. The Docent Guild offers a formal tour of The Church at 11:30 a.m. To schedule a group tour, please contact the Docent Line at 713-830-4117. For more information, contact the Rev. Sharron Cox at scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

St. Clare's Needlepoint Guild











Adults



Parish Choir Rehearsal Thursday, May 26 7-9 p.m. | Choir Rehearsal Hall

Sing a variety of traditional music in service to the Lord and our congregation. For more information, contact Dr. David Henning at dhenning@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

Sterling's Market Saturday, May 28 | Rain or Shine 9 a.m.-1 p.m. | Corner of Woodway and Sage

The mission of Sterling's Market at St. Martin's Episcopal Church is to glorify God through sharing the Gospel and the bounties of the earth with Parishioners, neighbors and visitors. For more information and to volunteer, contact info@sterlingsmarket.org.

Men

Dads' Bible Study Thursday, May 26 8-9 a.m. | Welcome Center

Join dads with children of all ages for coffee, fellowship and Bible study. No registration is necessary to attend the discussions. For more information, contact the Rev. Wesley Arning at rwarning@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

Women

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Tuesday, May 24 9-11:30 a.m. | Activity Center, Family Room

Knit and crochet shawls to be blessed for those in need of prayer. For more information, contact the Rev. Lisa Neilson at Ineilson@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

Blanket Ladies

Wednesday, May 25 10-11:30 a.m. | Activity Center, Family Room

Make receiving blankets for newborn infants at local charity hospitals. For more information, contact the Rev. Lisa Neilson at Ineilson@stmartinsepiscopal.org.









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 "Prelude and Fugue" Dietrich Buxtehude

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

*HYMN 400"All Creatures of our God and King"



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

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**.

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



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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant:	The Lord be with you.
People:	And with thy spirit.
Celebrant:	Let us pray. (kneel)

The Celebrant says the Collect

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

THE LESSONActs 16:9-15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

Reader:	The Word of the Lord.
People:	Thanks be to God.

All stand.

HYMN 510 (vs. 1-2) "Come, Holy Spirit" 1 Come, Ho - ly Spi - rit, heaven - ly Dove, with all thy quick-ening powers; 2 See how we tri - fle fond of these earth - ly here be - low, toys; strive to 3 In vain we tune our for - mal songs, in vain we rise: 4 Come, Ho - lv Spi - rit, heaven - lv Dove, with all thy quick-ening powers: Ð٠ kin - dle flame of sa - cred love in these cold hearts of ours. а heav - i - ly our souls, how they go, to reach e - ter - nal joys. ho - san - nas lan - guish on our tongues, and our de - vo-tion dies. come, shed a - broad a Sa - vior's love. and that shall kin - dle ours. o.

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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 14:23-29

Jesus said to Judas (not Iscariot), "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

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

The remaining lectionary for the day is on page 33.

HYMN 510 (vs. 3-4) "Come, Holy Spirit" 1 Come, Ho - ly Spi - rit, heaven - ly Dove, with all thy quick-ening powers; 2 See how we tri - fle fond of these earth - ly here be - low, toys; 3 In vain we tune our for - mal songs, in vain we strive to rise: 4 Come, Ho - ly Spi - rit, heaven - ly Dove, with all thy quick-ening powers; $\overline{\rho}$ flame of in these cold hearts of kin - dle а sa - cred love ours. our souls, how heav - i - ly to reach e - ter - nal they go, joys. ho - san - nas lan-guish on our tongues, and our de - vo-tion dies. love, come, shed a - broad a Sa - vior's and that shall kin - dle ours. n.

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Please be seated.

THE SERMON "The Holy Spirit" The Rev. Lisa R. Neilson

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; for persecuted Christians; for the security and safety of all those in Ukraine; for victims of terror attacks; for an end to war and conflict; for victims of natural disasters; for first responders; for those suffering from the effects of the Coronavirus; for health care workers; for those in the hospitals,___; for those for whom our prayers have been requested,__; for those on our Continuing Prayer List; for all the blessings of this life, especially those remembered today with Altar flowers,__; for the dearly departed,__; and 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.

THE PEACE (stand)

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please be seated.

UTTO UNITED THANK OFFERING

NOTICE GIVE MAKE BLESS

THANKFUL BLESSINGS

In May, St. Martin's will collect donations for the United Thank Offering ministry sponsored by the Episcopal Church Women.

Every contribution transforms lives and makes a difference.

UTO encourages people to notice the good things that happen each day, give thanks to God and make an offering for each blessing received.

Look for the UTO offering envelopes in The Church and give thanks to God for your blessings.

of what is collected supports mission and ministry work throughout the Episcopal Church.



MEET

GREGORY CROSS

Summertime Pastoral Care Intern at St. Martin's

Gregory Cross begins a summer internship with St. Martin's today and will be with us on Sundays and at other times when he is not participating in Houston Methodist's Summer Hospital Clinical Pastoral Education Program. He is a graduate of Texas A&M and a seminarian from Virginia Theological Seminary. He will work in Pastoral Care under the direction of the Rev. Lisa R. Neilson.

At Texas A&M, he was Senior and Junior Warden at the Episcopal Student Center before entering the discernment process for the priesthood. Please welcome him and his fiancée, Faith Lamb, to St. Martin's.

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For church members and others in our community who experience memory loss

This program meets on the fourth Monday of each month 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in Bagby Parish Hall.

NOTHING SWEETER THAN OUR HONEY BEES MAY 23 & JANE VANDIVER



For more information, contact Kathy Tellepsen at 713-301-4786 or kattellepsen@me.com.

OUTREACH MINISTRIES



MOSM Kids' Meal

Tuesday, May 24 | 5 p.m. Parish Life Center Kitchen

Come prepare sandwiches with Men of St. Martin's to help Kids' Meals, which provides and distributes nutritious lunches to hungry preschool children throughout Houston. St. Martin's makes more than 10,000 sandwiches for children annually. For more information about Kids' Meals, visit kidsmealshouston.org.

Contact outreach@stmartinsepiscopal.org for more information.



Saturday, May 28 | 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Rain or shine | Corner of Sage and Woodway

Proceeds benefit St. Martin's Outreach Ministries in our community.

346-335-8650 info@sterlingsmarket.org



For more information, contact the Rev. Sharron Cox at scox@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

FAREWELL RECEPTION FOR

THE REV. ROBERT E. WAREING



SUNDAY, JUNE 5 | **BAGBY PARISH HALL** Immediately following the 11:15 a.m. traditional service.

Please join us in Bagby Parish Hall and celebrate Robert's time here and his many accomplishments.

While we are sure we will see Robert and Pat from time to time, let us gather and give thanks for the remarkable work they have done for us!





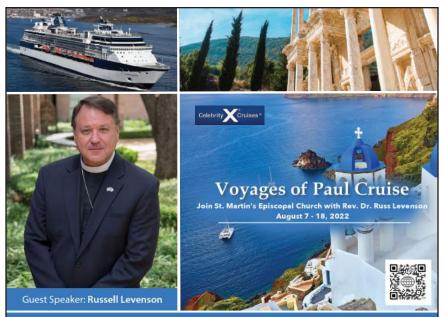
"As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you..." John 15:9

Father's Day Giving Tree Cards

The Giving Tree, a branch of St. Martin's Outreach Ministries, offers Parishioners and the surrounding community the opportunity to honor a loved one for Father's Day through a heartfelt gift that empowers a worthy organization while touching hearts and changing lives.

GIVING TREE CARDS

Celebrate Father's Day with family and friends by making a donation in their honor to your favorite ministry. Click on the Giving Tree web banner at **stmartinsepiscopal.org** and fill out the form by Monday, June 6. The card shown above will be personalized and mailed to each person on your list. If you need assistance, email **outreach@stmartinsepiscopal.org**



The Bible will come alive in Ephesus, Corinth, Athens, and Crete as you sail from Venice to explore the Greek Isles.

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St. Martin's Activity Center has a new lineup of weekly group fitness activities led by expert personal trainers. From Family Line Dancing and Fitness Boot Camps to Senior Strength Training and Yogalates, there's something for everyone and it's all free! Bring your friends and explore these exciting additions to life at St. Martin's.

All programs are 45 minutes long with an optional 15-minute cool-down period. All classes are set up on a first-come, first-served online registration system. Try any of our classes for free as we enjoy a soft launch of our new programs. (We reserve the right to charge for future classes.)

Please visit **bit.ly/smecactivitycenter** to view and register for classes.

FREE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

WAYS OF TRANSFORMING THROUGH WILDERNESS: PANDEMIC, LOSS, GRIEF

Thursday | Noon-1 p.m. HHCl Auditorium

PRESENTED BY:

JUNE 9



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THE OFFERTORY

A N T H E M "Cantique de Jean Racine" Gabriel Fauré

Verbe égal au Très-Haut, Notre unique espérance, Jour éternel de la terre et des cieux, De la paisible nuit, Nous rompons le silence. Divin Sauveur jette sur nous les yeux! Répands sur nous le feu de ta grâce puissante, Que tout l'enfer, fuie au son de ta voix, Dissipe le sommeil d'une âme languissante, Qui la conduit à l'oubli de tes lois! Ô Christ sois favorable à ce peuple fidèle Pour te bénir maintenant rassemblé, Reçois les chants qu'il offre à ta gloire immortelle et de tes dons qu'il retourne comblé!

O Redeemer divine, our sole hope of salvation, Eternal Light of the earth and the day, We kneel in adoration. O Savior, turn on us Thy loving eye! Send down on us the fire of Thy grace all consuming, Whose wondrous night dispersed the pow'rs of hell, And rouse our slumb'ring souls with radiance all illum'ning, That they may waken Thy mercy to tell! O Christ bestow Thy blessing on us, we implore Thee, Who here are gathered on penitent knee, Accept the hymns we offer to Thine everlasting glory and these Thy gifts we return unto Thee.

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AT THE PRESENTATION

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

DOXOLOGY Easter Hymn



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

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (BCP p. 340) (stand)

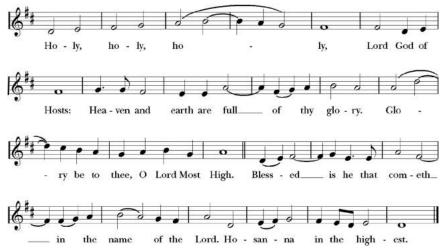
Celebrant:	The Lord be with you.
People:	And with thy spirit.
Celebrant:	Lift up your hearts.
People:	We lift them up unto the Lord.
Celebrant:	Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
People:	It is meet and right so to do.

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



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The Celebrant continues (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, 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 (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 *The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

(8 a.m. only in place of sung Fraction Anthem)Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

FRACTION ANTHEM Celtic Alleluia



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PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS (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.

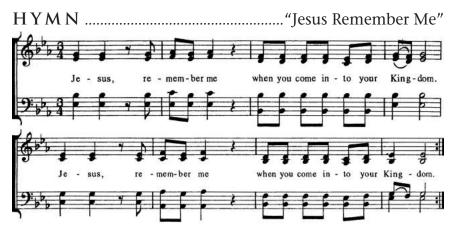
The Celebrant says the Invitation. (BCP p. 338)

Distribution of the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist. Please tell the priest administering Communion if you wish to receive a gluten-free wafer.

A N T H E M""If Ye Love Me" Philip Wilby

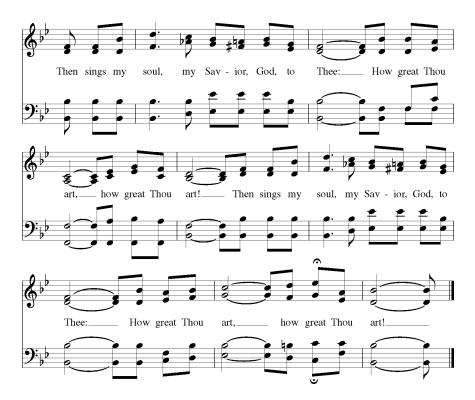
If ye love Me, keep My commandments, and I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you for ever. Even the Spirit of Truth. And ye know Him, for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless. I will come to you.

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HYMN "Blessed Assurance" 1. Bless - ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of 2. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, per-fect de - light, Vi -sions of rap-ture now 3. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, all is at rest, Ι in my Say - ior am glo - ry of sal - va - tion, pur-chase of di - vine! Heir God, burst on my sight: An - gels de - scend - ing bring from a bove blest: Watch-ing and wait - ing, look - ing hap - py and bove, a -Born of his Spir - it, wash'd in his blood. Ech - oes of mer - cy, whis-pers of love. This is my sto-ry, this is my Fill'd with his good-ness, lost in his love. song, Prais-ing my Sav-ior all the day long; This is my sto - ry, this is Prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long. my song,

Text: Fanny J. Crosby (1820-1915). Music: Phoebe P. Knapp (1839-1908).

After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray. (*BCP p. 339*)

The People may join in saying this prayer

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 a.m. 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 518"Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"



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

THE DISMISSAL

A Minister says the dismissal **People:** Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia. ORGAN VOLUNTARY

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

SERMON NOTES

RECOGNITIONS



FLOWERS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

On the occasion of their marriage by Autumn Ann Surles and Samuel Jacob Acker

In loving memory of Victoria May and Gerald Thomas Westbrook by their loving children, Brenda, Brent and Laura



BIRTHS

 March 31 Rivers Coopwood Moorman Son of Katie and Blake Moorman Grandson of Ann and John Wooldridge Great-grandson of Raleigh and Marjorie Johnson
 April 29 Everly Rose Johnson

Daughter of Audrey and Ryan Johnson



BAPTISMS

- May 14 William Behren Bock Watson Wright Thompson
- May 15 Charlotte Claire Slattery

WEDDINGS

May 14 Laura Elizabeth Edwards and Matthew Steven Walker



S Y M P A T H Y

May 1 Shirley Ann Smith

To mark a special occasion with an altar flower dedication, visit bit.ly/ChurchFlowers or contact Barbara Piana at 713-830-4116.

THE PSALMPsalm 148

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights. Praise him, all you angels of his; praise him, all his host. Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars. Praise him, heaven of heavens, and you waters above the heavens. Let them praise the Name of the Lord; for he commanded, and they were created. He made them stand fast for ever and ever; he gave them a law which shall not pass away. Praise the Lord from the earth, you sea-monsters and all deeps; fire and hail, snow and fog, tempestuous wind, doing his will; mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars; wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and winged birds; kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the world; young men and maidens, old and young together. Let them praise the Name of the Lord, for his Name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven. He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!

T H E E P I S T L E Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day-- and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

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:

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Shea Guinn Gladys Halbouty Walesk Harvey Elizabeth Hill Mollie Hill Ieff Holden Wayne Hollis Kim Holway Jack Hunnell Nicole Jabbari Ronnie Jacobe, Jr. Muriel Kearby Albaral Paige Laird Allessandra Land Sherman Lasker Amy Lee Stan Leong Shawn Levenson Nancy Liles Martha Ann Linden Roberta Lloyd Ryan Logan Marie Lord Jaclyn Manning Jeffrey Martinson Pat Marymee **BD** McAndrew Michelle McStravick Hal Means Len Menefee Christine Nguyen Benice Nwabueze Judy and Jay O'Connor Jim Paddock **Troy Phillips** Jimmy Prentice **Ophelia** Pujol

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Please be advised that we will be updating the Continuing Prayers list twice a year in the weeks 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 Valerie Rivera at 713-985-3817 or vrivera@stmartinsepiscopal.org.

CONTINUING PRAYERS

Lorrie Marilyn Mark Matthew Oran RC Sally Thomas Victor and Barbara Willie Woody

Names we have received of those in the Armed Forces:

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