

St. Martin in the Fields

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Service of Holy Eucharist

on

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

October 29, 2023

8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.



Welcome to St. Martin in the Fields Episcopal Church. We are so grateful that you are here for worship today. Please know that this church is Christ's church and you are always welcome here. Please feel at home. If you are new among us or simply visiting with us, please make yourself known to the clergy and other parishioners so that we may properly welcome you.

St. Martin's offers three distinct worship services inside the church most Sundays.

REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:00 a.m. | Holy Eucharist: no music

9:00 a.m. | Holy Eucharist: Wonder Church Wonder Church is a wonderfully alternative service geared toward children and their families.

10:00 a.m. | Formation for all ages

11:00 a.m. | Holy Eucharist with choir and congregational singing **5:00 p.m.** | Holy Eucharist *only on the third Sunday of each month*

FIRST SUNDAY SCHEDULE

10:00 a.m. | Service of Holy Eucharist

On the first Sunday of each month, St. Martin's has one Service of Holy Eucharist, with a meal to follow.

ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE TODAY

8:00 a.m.

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Colin Brown Lector and Intercessor | Jim Reese

11:00 a.m.

Celebrant: The Rev. Monica Mainwaring | Preacher: The Rev. Colin Brown
Deacon | The Rev. Victoria Jarvis
Verger | Leigh Ford
Lectors | Nancy Runion, Judi Oakley
Intercessor | Maryann Lozano
Handbell Choir Director | Maryann Lozano
Organist and Choirmaster | Will Gotmer
The St. Martin's Adult Choir
The St. Martin's Handbell Choir

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arr. Brian Childers arr. Jason W. Krug



6 O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, be thou our guide while life shall last, and our eternal home.

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People

Glory to God for ever and ever.

In unison

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.





The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people sit.

First Reading Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people from the book of Deuteronomy.

¹Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the LORD showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, ²all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, ³the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. ⁴The LORD said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants'; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there." ⁵Then Moses, the servant of the LORD, died there in the land of Moab, at the LORD's command. ⁶He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. ¬Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. ⁶The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

⁹Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the LORD had commanded Moses.

¹⁰Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face. ¹¹He was unequaled for all the signs and wonders that the LORD sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, ¹²and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

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Thanks be to God.

The Psalm Spoken in unison at 8:00

Psalm 90





The Antiphon is sung first by the cantor, then repeated by all. The verses are sung by all.

- 1 LORD, you have been our / refuge *
 - from one generation / to another.
- 2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the / earth were born, *

from age to / age you are God.

3 You turn us back to the / dust and say, *

"Go back, / O child of earth." [ANTIPHON]

- 4 For a thousand years in your sight
 - are like yesterday when it is / past *

and like a / watch in the night.

- 5 You sweep us away like a / dream; *
 - we fade away sudden/ ly like the grass.

In the morning it is green and / flourishes; * in the evening it is dried / up and withered. [ANTIPHON]

13 Return, O LORD; how long will you / tarry? *

be gracious / to your servants.

Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the / morning; * so shall we rejoice and be glad all the / days of our life.

- Make us glad by the measure of the days that you af / flicted us * and the years in which we suffered / adversity. [ANTIPHON]
- 16 Show your servants your / works * and your splendor / to their children.
- May the graciousness of the LORD our God be up / on us: * prosper the work of our hands: prosper / our handiwork. [ANTIPHON]

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people from Paul's letter to the Thessalonians.

¹You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, ²but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. ³For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, ⁴but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. ⁵As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; ⁶nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, ¬though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. ⁶So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

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



The Gospel Matthew 22:34-46

All stand.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

³⁴When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶"Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" ³⁷He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' ³⁸This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' ⁴⁰On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

⁴¹Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: ⁴²"What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." ⁴³He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

44 The Lord said to my Lord,

"Sit at my right hand,

until I put your enemies under your feet"?

⁴⁵If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" ⁴⁶No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. Colin Brown

A moment of silent reflection is observed following the sermon.

The Nicene Creed

All stand

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

The people stand or kneel.

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world, and for peace in the Holy Land.

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Robert our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, including ______.

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, including ______, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;

in your compassion forgive us our sins,

known and unknown,

things done and left undone;

and so uphold us by your Spirit

that we may live and serve you in newness of life,

to the honor and glory of your Name;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

The people stand.

Celebrant The

The peace of God be always with you.

People And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

Form VI

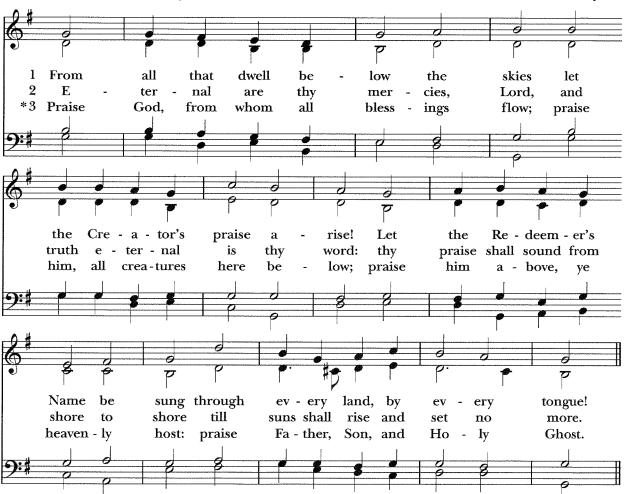
If ye love me,
keep my commandments,
and I will pray the Father,
and he shall give you another comforter,
that he may bide with you forever,
e'en the spirit of truth.

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Thank you for your generosity. Your food offerings in support of the food pantry can be placed in the baskets outside the doors of the church. You may place your monetary offering in the plates as they are passed, mail it to the church, give online at www.stmartins.org/give, or you may text to give by doing the following:

1. Open a new text message. 2. Type 73256. 3. Use our code letters: SMECATL. 4. Put in the amount you would like to give.

Presentation Hymn 11:00 a.m. only From all that dwell below the skies Hymnal 380



The Holy Communion

The people stand.

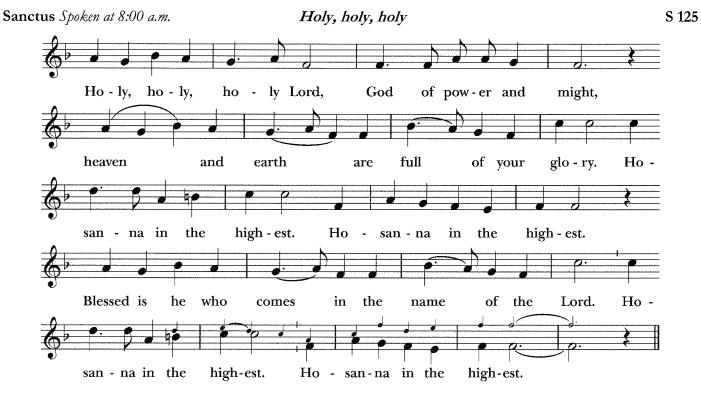
CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; you brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; and so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:



The people stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise. Blessed are you now and for ever. **AMEN**.

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

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.

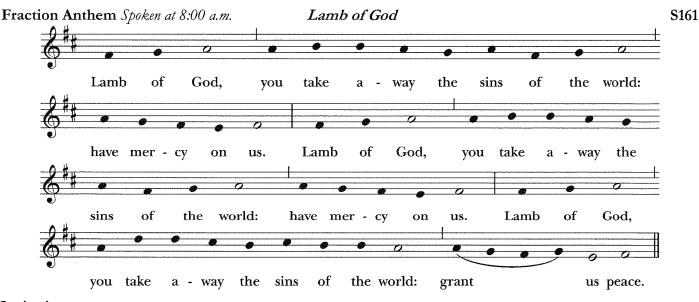
For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept

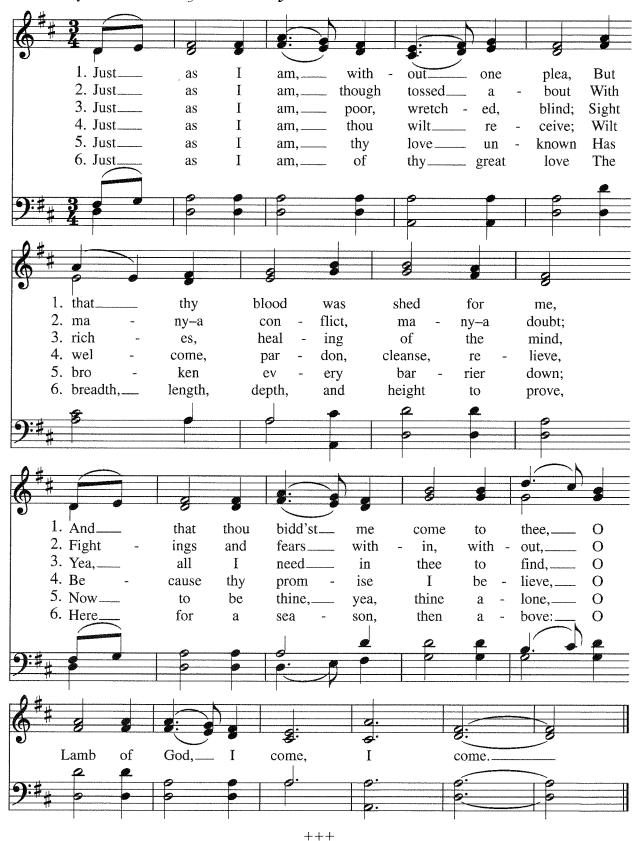


Invitation

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

Please remain in your pew until the usher prompts you to go forward to receive communion or a blessing. Gluten-free communion wafers are available. Please let the priest know if you desire gluten-free. If you wish to receive Communion in one kind (bread only), please proceed to the rail and extend one hand to receive the host only. If you wish to receive a host that has been dipped into the chalice of wine, please proceed to the rail and extend both hands, and it will be placed into your hand. If you wish to receive only a blessing, please proceed to the rail and cross your arms in front of your chest.





On Sundays when Eucharistic Visitors are making visits, they will be commissioned as follows:

Sending Forth of Eucharistic Visitors 11:00 a.m. only

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

The Post-Communion Prayer

Standing or kneeling.

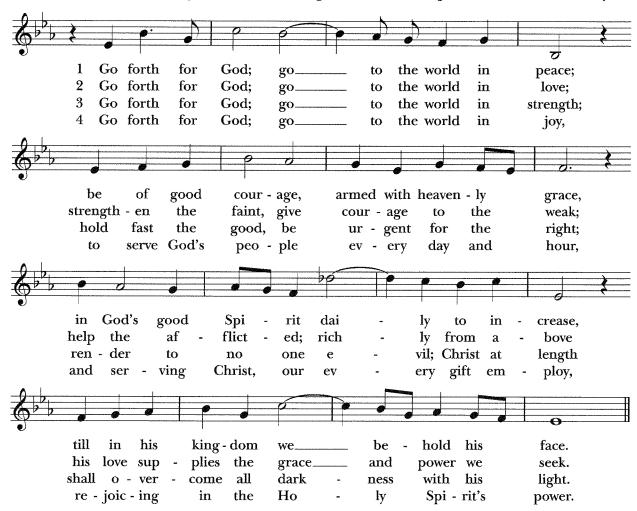
Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

All stand for the blessing.

The Blessing

Processional Hymn 11:00 a.m. only Go forth for God; go to the world in peace

Hymnal 347



Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

Toccata in D Minor BWV 565

J.S. Bach



In addition to Sunday services listed in the front of the bulletin, you are invited to:

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Welcome

Scan for the Connection Card.



Formation For All October 29, 10:00 a.m.

Formation for all continues on October 29. This year, the whole church is engaging in a curriculum centered on the Catechism. Children meet in Lower Pierce, youth meet in Lower Gable, and adults meet in the Parlor.

Youth Group October 29, 5:00 p.m.

All 6th-12th graders are welcome to join us for youth group. We'll eat together in Gable Hall and then meet in our Oasis (6th - 8th grades) and Crossroads (9th - 12th grades) groups. Come ready to eat, learn, and connect.

ONE St. Martin's Service and Feast November 5 at 10:00 a.m.

Join us for our November ONE St. Martin's service and feast this All Saints' Sunday. Bishop Robert Wright will be with us to baptize, confirm, and receive St. Martin's children, youth, and adults. Enjoy music from St. Martin's Festival Choir and strings. Share a feast, hosted by the Stewardship Committee, with us following the service.

Feast of St. Martin of Tours and Remembrance Sunday November 12, 11:00 a.m.

We will celebrate our patronal feast at all three services on November 12. At 11:00 a.m., we will hold our 49th annual Remembrance Sunday service with a tea and biscuit reception to follow in Gable Hall. We will welcome Rachel Galloway, the British Consul General in Atlanta, as well as representatives from other nations and special musicians. If you can't make it in person, the 11:00 a.m. service will be live-streamed to our Facebook page and YouTube channel.

St. Martin's Turkey Fry Is Back November 22, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Ready for another delicious deep-fried turkey this Thanksgiving? Each turkey is \$40, and pick-up is on Wednesday, November 22, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. All proceeds support St. Martin's Outreach and Inreach programs. You can also donate to the Emmaus House Thanksgiving basket program or gift a fried turkey to Interfaith Outreach Home (IOH). The Turkey Fry is also in need of volunteers in two shifts: 6 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., and 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Contact Tim Peek (timhelnat@bellsouth.net) to order a turkey and/or sign-up to volunteer.

Stephen Ministry at St. Martin's

Stephen Ministry at St. Martin's is a group of trained lay individuals who offer comfort to those facing various challenges. Relationships can be open-ended, lasting for a season or longer. To request a Stephen Minister for yourself, for a friend, or for a family member, reach out to one of our Stephen Leaders: Fr. Colin, Susan Hamilton, Cheryl Ponder, Nancy Runion, or Kathy Evenson. All conversations will be held in the strictest confidence.