

St. Martin in the Fields

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Service of Holy Eucharist

on

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 19, 2023

8:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.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.

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 | Randy Hughes

11:00 a.m.

Celebrant and Preacher | The Rev. Colin Brown
Deacon | The Rev. Victoria Jarvis
Verger | Andy Moore
Lectors | Heather Zunzunegui, Tim Peek
Intercessor | Betsy Harrington
Organist and Choirmaster | Will Gotmer
The St. Martin's Adult Choir

5:00 p.m.

Celebrant and Preacher | The Rev. Colin Brown

Processional Hymn 11:00 a.m. only Before thy throne, O God, we kneel Hymnal 574 fore thy kneel: give 1 Be throne, O God, we con - science us Search out our hearts and make true; help us us to give to For sins heed - less word deed, for of and pride am - bi tious 4 Let the fierce fires which burn and try, our in most spi rits quick to feel, dy mind rea to un der stand the all their due. From love of plea lust of gold, from sure, suc - ceed, for craft - y trade tle to and sub snare to pu ri fy: con sume the ill; purge out the shame; \mathbf{O} mean - ing of hand; what - e'er thy chas tening the pain and sins which make the heart grow cold, wean us and train us catch the sim ple un ware, for lives be reft of a God, be with the us in flame; new - born peo - ple a shame may be, bring us, \mathbf{O} Fa ther, near thee. er with thy teach our faults, God. rod; us to know 0 pur pose high, for - give, for give, O Lord, we cry. may we rise, more pure, more true, more no bly wise.

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. Hymn of Praise Spoken at 8:00 and 5:00 A Song of Praise S 236





The Collect of the Day

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

Celebrant Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading Judges 4:1-7

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

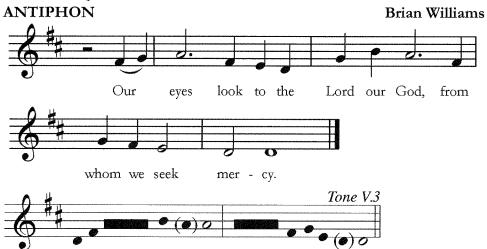
¹The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, after Ehud died. ²So the LORD sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. ³Then the Israelites cried out to the LORD for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years.

⁴At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. ⁵She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. ⁶She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, "The LORD, the God of Israel, commands you, 'Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. ⁷I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand."

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

The Psalm Spoken in unison at 8:00 and 5:00

Psalm 123



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

The verses are sung by all.

- 1 To you I lift up my / eyes, * to you enthroned / in the heavens.
- As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their / masters, * and the eyes of a maid to the hand / of her mistress,
- So our eyes look to the / LORD our God, * until he show / us his mercy. [ANTIPHON]
- 4 Have mer-cy upon us, O LORD, have / mercy, * for we have had more than e / nough of contempt,
- Too much of the scorn of the indolent / rich, * and of the deri / sion of the proud. [ANTIPHON]

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

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

¹Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. ²For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! ⁴But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; ⁵for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. ⁴So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; ¹for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. ⁴But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. ⁴For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. ¹¹Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

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



The Gospel Matthew 25:14-30

All stand.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹⁴Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven will be as when a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them;15to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. ¹⁷In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. ¹⁸But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. ¹⁹After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' 21 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' ²²And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' 23His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' 24Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; 25 so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' 26But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? 27 Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. 28So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. 29For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. 30As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

The Rev. Colin Brown

Deacon

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

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;

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.

Form VI

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 peace of God be always with you.

People

And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

Communion Anthem 11:00 a.m. only

My Lord, What a Morning

Stuart P. O'Neil

My Lord, what a morning; my Lord, what a morning; oh, my Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.

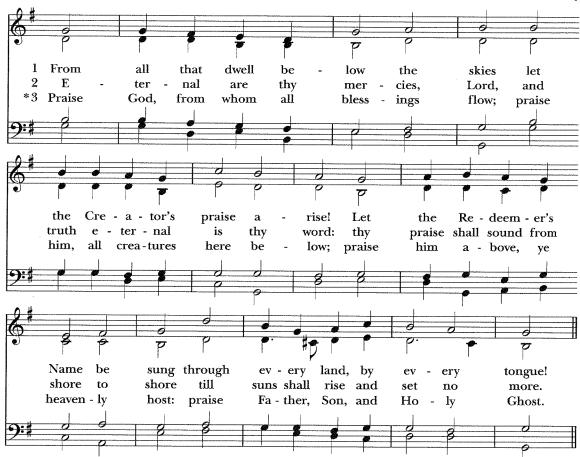
You will hear the trumpet sound, to wake the nations underground, looking at my Lord's right hand, when the stars begin to fall.

You'll hear his people shout, to wake the nations underground, looking to my Lord's right hand, when the stars begin to fall.

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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.



The Holy Communion

EOW Eucharistic Prayer 3

The people stand.

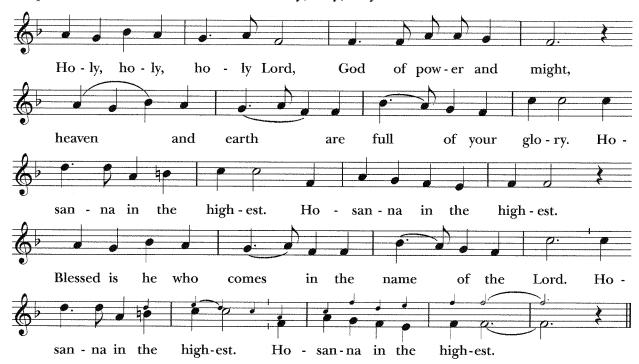
CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

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.

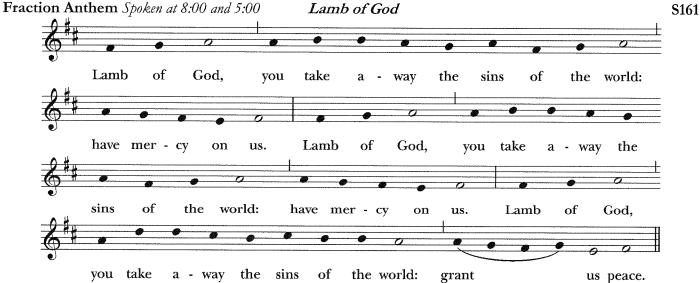
For thine is the kingdom,

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

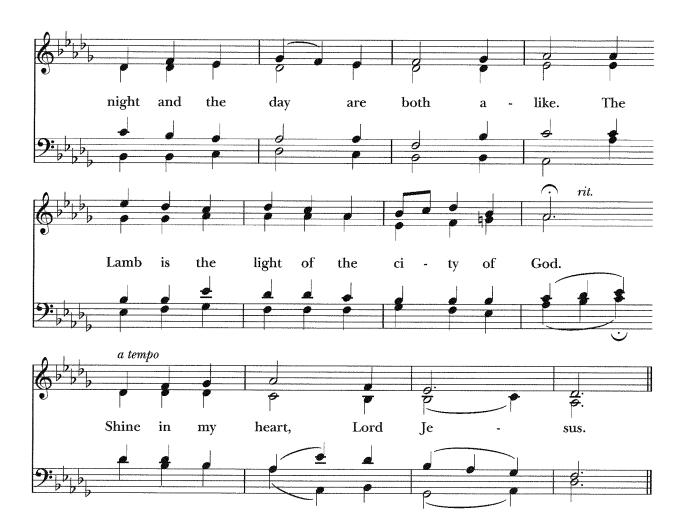


Invitation

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.

The Blessing



Dismissal

Deacon

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

People

Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

Now Thank We All Our God

Sigfrid Karg-Elert



In addition to Sunday services listed in the front of

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Welcome





the bulletin, you are invited to:

Vestry Elections November 19 & 26, 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

We have just four candidates for Vestry this year - and your vote is still appreciated signaling confidence in the future leadership of Lauren Cartwright, Scott Foster, Amanda Giffin, and Bill Petritz. The outgoing vestry members will host the elections on Sundays November 19 & 26 between services. All members in good standing may vote.

Formation For All November 19, 10:00 a.m.

Formation for all continues on November 19 at 10:00 a.m. This year, the church is engaging in a curriculum centered on the Catechism. Children meet in Lower Pierce, youth in Lower Gable, and adults in the Parlor.

Youth Group November 19, 5:00 p.m.

Youth group returns this evening as we gather for a time of fun and fellowship. We'll enjoy Moe's Taco Kits before heading downstairs for our respective lessons and Compline. All 6th - 12th graders are welcome. Friends, too!

Christmas Carol Formation Hour December 10, 10:00 a.m.

Join us for a special Formation Hour in Gable Hall about the history of Christmas carols, sponsored by SAGES. Cathy Adams and Randall Romig have been working together for years as the accompanists for the Georgia Festival Chorus. This year, Cathy and Randall have prepared a one-hour program of carols ranging from the very old O Come, O Come, Emmanuel to the 20th century Some Children See Him.

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

Ready for another delicious deep-fried turkey this Thanksgiving? Place your order this weekend! Each turkey is \$40, and pick-up is on November 22, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. All proceeds support St. Martin's Outreach and Inreach programs. The Turkey Fry is also still 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.

Finance & Stewardship Update

Thank you to the 148 families who have pledged for 2024. We anticipate another 80+ pledges. Please send your pledge card into the church, or complete your pledge online, or via an email to our Business Administrator Leslie Rose at <u>lrose@stmartins.org</u>. In addition, as we work to "close the gap" between revenues and expenses, there is a special dropdown in our online giving menu entitled "close the gap." We look forward to seeing the year end well.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday

8:00 a.m., Holy Eucharist, Rite I

9:00 a.m., Wonder Church

9:00 a.m., Wonder Church 11:00 a.m., Holy Eucharist, Rite II

