

Sunday, March 27, 2022 Fourth Sunday of Lent The Holy Eucharist Rite II at 10:00am

ONLINE SERVICE NOTES: Welcome to our virtual worship space! We are glad that you have joined us this morning. Automated closed captioning is now available on Zoom and all hymns and service music can be found at the end of the bulletin, after the announcements. We encourage everyone to join in from home, although for clarity's sake we will keep people muted during online worship. You are welcome to add prayer requests, celebrations, and milestones in the chat box, but we won't be able to read them aloud during the service. Just remember that we have to be careful not to share sensitive information online—please use first names only when referring to people. Thank you!

IN-PERSON SERVICE NOTES: Welcome! We are glad that you have joined us this morning. Communion will be served at stations at the front of the church instead of around the altar rail; the process will be explained during announcements. Please wear a mask throughout the service and maintain appropriate distancing from people not in your household, even during the passing of the peace. Thank you!

PRELUDE "Kyrie Martyrum" H. Praetorius (1560-1629)

The liturgical ministers will process in silence.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures forever.

DECALOGUEPlease kneel, as you are able.

Presider Hear the commandments of God to his people: I am the Lord your God who brought you out of

bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Presider You shall not make for yourself any idol.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Presider You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Presider Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Presider Honor your father and your mother.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Presider You shall not commit murder.
People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Presider You shall not commit adultery.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Presider You shall not steal.
People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Presider You shall not be a false witness.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

Presider You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

People Amen. Lord have mercy.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Presider

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Presider and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us;

that we may delight in your will,

and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Presider stands and says

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

TRISAGION WLP 844 "Holy God" (*Trisagion*)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.
People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

FIRST READING JOSHUA 5:9-12

A reading from the book of Joshua.

The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt." And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

While the Israelites were camped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho. On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Let us read together from Psalm 32.

- 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, * and whose sin is put away!
- 2 Happy are they to whom God imputes no guilt, * and in whose spirit there is no guile!
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, * because of my groaning all day long.
- 4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; * my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, * and did not conceal my guilt.
- 6 I said," I will confess my transgressions to God." *
 Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; * when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
- 8 You are my hiding-place;

you preserve me from trouble; * you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

- 9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; * I will guide you with my eye.
- 10 Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; * who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."
- 11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked; * but mercy embraces those who trust in the Most High.
- 12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in God; * shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

SECOND READING

2 CORINTHIANS 5:16 - 21

A reading from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians.

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN *Picardy*

Please repeat the Response after the Cantor the first time.

Response Not by bread alone are we nourished, but by ev'ry word of God.

Verse Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening, words of everlasting life.

Not by bread alone are we nourished, but by ev'ry word of God.

GOSPEL LUKE 15:1-3; 11B-32

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So Jesus told them this parable:

"There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything.

But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands." So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe--the best one--and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

"Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for

him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found."

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

THE SERMON

Silence is kept after the sermon.

THE CREED

Deacon and People

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,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary

and became truly human.

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,

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who 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

Deacon Let us pray for the church and the world.

Leader Holy God, when we wander from the way, call us back; when we stray from the truth, redirect us; when we do not live life to the full, inspire and refresh us. May we and your whole church

follow him who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. We remember all who are pilgrims and seekers, and pray that they find their refuge and their strength in you, O God.

(We pause, making space for prayer to be offered, either silently or out loud.)

Leader If anyone is in Christ they are a new Creation.

People Come, Holy Spirit, and reconcile us to God.

Leader

Lord God, we pray for all who have been separated from loved ones through war or violence, for those who have left home and become lost. We remember those who live on the streets of our cities and towns. We pray for all who live in poverty and whose lives are crippled by debt, that we may find more just and equitable ways to share resources, remembering that all we have comes from you.

(We pause, making space for prayer to be offered, either silently or out loud.)

Leader If anyone is in Christ they are a new Creation.

People Come, Holy Spirit, and reconcile us to God.

Leader

We give thanks for our families, our parents, and all who love us. We pray especially for those who are dear to us but with whom we have lost contact or feel estranged. Please bless and protect those families who are seeking to overcome difference, to rejoice in diversity, and to always see the face of Christ in one another. May all children and young people find such homes and places of welcome.

(We pause, making space for prayer to be offered, either silently or out loud.)

Leader If anyone is in Christ they are a new Creation.

People Come, Holy Spirit, and reconcile us to God.

Leader

For all separated from loved ones and community through illness, trauma, or grief. We remember all lonely and distressed people, and especially those who feel they are not worthy of forgiveness, reconciliation, and love. We ask your blessing upon all who are ill at home or in hospital and especially those on our parish prayer list.

(We pause, making space for prayer to be offered, either silently or out loud.)

Leader If anyone is in Christ they are a new Creation.

People Come, Holy Spirit, and reconcile us to God.

Leader

We pray for all whom you have called home into your kingdom where sorrow and pain are no more. May we learn to face death not with fear and foreboding but with the sure and certain hope of homecoming and new life.

(We pause, making space for prayer to be offered, either silently or out loud.)

Leader If anyone is in Christ they are a new Creation.

People Come, Holy Spirit, and reconcile us to God.

Leader

Lord of all compassion, we return to you like children who had wandered away. We trust in your love, we rejoice in your mercy, we know you will accept us as we are and help transform us into what we are meant to be. Lord, enfold us in your peace, and forgive us our sins; through Jesus Christ your son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be all honor and glory now and forever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

We greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CELEBRATIONS AND MILESTONES

All may join in praying.

Watch over your children O Lord, as their days increase: bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OFFERTORY NOTES

Online giving is available; just look for the purple "give" button on our website or the QR code near the back of this bulletin--or contact the office for more information. We are very grateful to those who have pledged and who give regularly, as well as for all plate offerings. Thank you and God bless you!

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Wayfaring Stranger" John Karl Hirten

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Presider At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the

planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People By your will they were created and have their being.

Presider From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory,

reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed

your trust; and we turned against one another.

People Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Presider Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your

righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill

your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

Presider And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

Presider and People
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Then the Presider continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

All We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

The Presider continues

Lord God of our Mothers and Fathers; God of Sarah and Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; Ruth and Martin; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

All Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

The Presider continues

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *AMEN*.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, (first in Spanish and then in English,)

People and Presider

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu Nombre, venga tu reino, hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra como en el cielo.

Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.

Perdona nuestras ofensas,

como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden.

No nos dejes caer en tentación

y líbranos del mal.

Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre.

Amen.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,

your kingdom come, your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours, now and forever.

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Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Presider says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

A note about Spiritual Communion: The Book of Common Prayer reminds us that if one is unable to actually consume the consecrated bread and wine due to extreme sickness or disability, the desire is enough for God to grant all the benefits of communion (p. 457). When being present at a celebration of the Eucharist is absolutely impossible, this act of prayer and meditation can provide the means by which you can associate yourself with the Eucharistic Action and open yourself to God's grace and blessing. Please consider using this Act of Reception during Communion time.

Act of Reception

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church, where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, and remembering particularly the people of the Church of St. Martin, I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption of the world, and for the means of grace and the hope of glory. I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN

H333 "Now the silence" (Now)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Presider says

Let us pray.

Presider and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING The Presider offers a blessing.

The blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN H671 "Amazing grace, how sweet the sound" (New Britain)

DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us bless the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Please maintain silence as you depart, at least until you are in the courtyard.

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LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We acknowledge the land on which we are gathered. For thousands of years, this land has been the home of Patwin people. Today, there are three federally-recognized Patwin tribes: Cachil Dehe Band of Wintun Indians of the Colusa Indian Community, Kletsel Dehe Wintun Nation, and Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation. The Patwin people have remained committed to the stewardship of this land over many centuries. It has been cherished and protected, as elders have instructed the young through generations. We are honored and grateful to be here today on their traditional lands.







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ABBREVIATED ANNOUNCEMENTS—WEEK OF MARCH 27, 2022

For the full announcements, visit www.churchofstmartin.org

Growing Roots at the Ranch: Two Opportunities Coming Soon

On Monday, March 28, from 12:30 to 3:00pm, we'll welcome back Diana Almendariz, Patwin Wintun Culture Bearer and Elder, for a hands-on learning opportunity. Diana has collected over 100 small soaproot plants for us to grow at the Ranch. Soaproot is a native plant that once covered much of the area, and Indigenous people living here used different parts of the plant for soap (a sticky substance in the root), food, hunting, medicine, and fire. You are invited to come to the Forbes Ranch in Esparto to be part of this restorative planting project. Come if you can to join in the fun doing hands-on learning! Please let Carolyn Chamberlain, Ann Liu, or the church office know if you would like to participate.

Then on Friday, April 1, from 5:30 to 7:00pm, we'll gather for prayer and a picnic dinner with our special guest Brian Sellers-Petersen, the agrarian ministries leader in the Episcopal Church. RSVP to the church office (info@churchofstmartin.org) or to Pamela directly (pamela@churchofstmartin.org) if you want to come to the Ranch on Friday night; we can accommodate about 20 people. We welcome both those who have been part of the dreaming and planning process at the Ranch already and those who want to learn more and discern how they can get involved. We'll share the address and simple directions with everyone who RSVPs.

A reminder that "the Ranch" or "Forbes Ranch" is what we call the 15 acres of land in Esparto that we are leasing from Stan Forbes as part of our effort to develop a strong land-based ministry and create opportunities for connecting with neighbors in other parts of Yolo County, as well as those who are interested in worshiping and gathering outside in nature rather than within the walls of the church. The best way to get to know this land and understand our efforts is to come and see!

Godly Play Is Back In Person!

Godly Play is back on campus, in **Classroom 4** from **9:45-10:30am this Sunday, March 27th!** Please bring your children (masked, regardless of vaccination status) to meet Sheri and Diane before heading into the 10:00 service; they'll rejoin you in time for communion. We'll maintain this schedule on April 10th and 24th as well. Questions? Contact Pastor Casey at <u>casey@churchofstmartin.org</u>

Growing! Conference Registration Ends Monday, March 28

This one-day event at St. Martin's on April 2 will bring people together from around the Diocese. Our day will include sharing gardening information, theological inspiration, praying with Bishop Megan Traquair, meeting our churchwide agrarian leader Brian Sellers Petersen, plus an opportunity to begin shaping how "Growing!" might develop as a movement to honor, network, and support gardening and agriculture in our region.

In addition to our keynote speaker and our Bishop, presenters include Jim Schaal, offering theological reflection in the morning, and Pamela, who will help us end the day on a contemplative note. Ann Liu will be leading us in a tour of Grace Garden. Please register before the Monday deadline, even if you are planning to volunteer with the hospitality team, so that we know how many lunches to provide. If you need help registering or need a scholarship for the registration fee, just let Pamela+ or Michael in the office know and we'll get things sorted out. Thank you! You can register here: https://form.jotform.com/220465127986160

Easter Special Offering—Nomination Deadline is Today, March 27

St. Martin's has a tradition of donating the Easter offering (also known as the "Easter plate" or "special offering") to a worthy organization, either within our community or beyond, that helps in a variety of possible ways, such as combating the effects of poverty, assisting refugees, supporting people with mental illness, and much more. (We give away our Christmas offering as well, and this past Christmas the offering went to Opening Doors, an organization assisting refugees in the Sacramento area). The generosity of our community and those who worship with us on these special holy days always provide a much-need boost to an organization that is doing God's work in a way that extends the reach of the parish beyond what we can do on our own.

You are invited to submit recommendations for worthy organizations to receive this year's Easter offering. If you would like to nominate an organization (one nomination per person), please email the office (info@churchofstmartin.org) and provide the following:

- (a) Name of the organization
- (b) Key contact/s (e.g., executive director) including contact information (e.g., website, email/s)
- (c) In no more than one paragraph, your rationale for nominating this organization

We need nominations of recipient organizations by the end of the day on Sunday, March 27. If you have questions, contact our Rector, Pamela, or one of our co-Senior Wardens, Kimo Kimokeo and Neil Willits. Thank you for your consideration and for your generosity.

Coffee Hour Brought to You By: Your Friends on the St. Martin's Vestry!

You already know that your Vestry are whizzes when it comes to finances and governance, but did you know that they are also committed to acts of service and hospitality? Under the supervision of your Junior Warden, Maria Acuna-Feldman, they are coordinating Coffee Hour for two Sundays, starting last Sunday! We are striving to bring back some of our beloved pre-pandemic traditions. So, if you feel like you could help out once a month or so with some basic gestures of hospitality, please consider stepping forward. Maria would be happy to talk with you about what's involved, as would other members of the Vestry and the Invite, Welcome, Connect team. And if we've already reached out to you, please say "yes"—or, as we Episcopalians like to say, "I will, with God's help!" Thank you! And many thanks to your Vestry for their leadership.

Godly Play Volunteer Training

In order to enrich the return to in-person Godly Play this spring, we are seeking interested volunteers for storytelling and doorkeeping roles. If you would like to receive training from Diane Bamforth, our longtime leader, please come to **Classroom 4** after the **10:00 service on Sunday, April 4th**. Diane will introduce you to the classroom set-up, demonstrate a story, assist you in practicing, and answer questions you may have about the program. Please let Pastor Casey know you intend to come by emailing casey@churchofstmartin.org and including whether or not your Safe Church certification is up-to-date (within the last 5 years) so you can recertify as needed.

Help Needed for the Altar Guild!

Are you interested in a quiet, contemplative ministry inside the church? The Altar Guild needs additional volunteers to serve once a month. Duties include setting up the altar for services, clearing the altar after the service or washing and ironing the altar linens. We would love to show you the ropes and/or talk to you about

this ministry if you just want information first. Please contact Carla Harris for details (get Carla's contact information from the church directory or the church office).

The Rector is In! (Or out, actually, depending on how you look at it)

Our rector, Pamela, is holding "outdoor office hours" on Monday afternoons during Lent. This Monday's office hours (March 28) will be from 4 to 5 pm, near the prayer chalkboard on the Hawthorn side of the church office. She will be in the library if the weather is inclement; so, please check there if she is not outside by the prayer chalkboard. These office hours are a way to meet up with Pamela and other parishioners who stop in, without needing an appointment. See you there!

"Every person...Every week...One item of food"

The Social Justice and Outreach Committee reminds us that our local food banks are in great need, and we continue to support them with our collection of non-perishable items. We deliver these items to STEAC, The UC Davis Pantry, and Dixon Family Services on a weekly rotating basis. You have three options for where to bring your items at this time: Janet Lane's front porch (address in church directory or contact church office for address)—you may leave items there any day and any time OR you can contact the church office to arrange an appointment to leave food items in the office OR you can bring items during our in-person services on Sundays. The food closets also need toilet paper and diapers. Thank you for your generous donations!!

What We Can Do for Ukraine

As the crisis continues to evolve in Ukraine, Episcopal Relief and Development is deeply engaged in the response and is addressing humanitarian needs. They are seeking immediate donations to assist them in providing cash, blankets, hygiene supplies and other needed assistance to families from Ukraine. If you wish to donate through Episcopal Relief and Development, you may donate via their website: https://support.episcopalrelief.org/ukraineresponse You will be pleased to know that Bishop Megan has directed a significant contribution from her discretionary funds for this humanitarian crisis and Pamela will be committing discretionary funds as well.

Upcoming Meeting Dates

Caring Ministries: March 28 at 7:00pm

Worship Commission: Wednesday, March 30 at 8:00am Care for God's Creation: Monday, April 11 at 7:00pm Social Justice and Outreach: Tuesday, April 26 at 7:00pm Buildings and Grounds: Friday, April 29 at 4:00pm

Meetings are on Zoom unless otherwise noted; for a link, please contact <u>communications@churchofstmartin.org</u>. If you wish to schedule a meeting on the calendar, contact the church office <u>info@churchofstmartin.org</u>.

Wonder, Love, and Praise 844 "Holy God" (Trisagion)



Hymnal 333 "Now the Silence" (Now)



Hymnal 671 "Amazing grace, how sweet the sound" (New Britain)



The melody may be sung in canon at distances of either two or three beats.