

Sunday, April 10, 2022 The Sunday of the Passion Holy Eucharist, 8:00AM

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!

THE LITURGY OF THE PALMS

The congregation gathers on the patio, in front of the church.

- *Presider* Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord
- *People* Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.
- *Presider* Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE HOLY GOSPEL To be read by the Deacon LUKE 19:28-40

Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it.'" So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They said, "The Lord needs it." Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying,

"Blessed is the king

who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven,

and glory in the highest heaven!"

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

BLESSING OF THE PALMS

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The Presider	sider continues	
Presider	The Lord be with you.	
People	And also with you.	
Presider	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	
People	It is right to give him thanks and praise.	
Presider	It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was proclaimed as King of kings by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along his way. Let these branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.	
Presider People	Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.	
Deacon	Let us go forth in peace.	

People In the name of Christ. Amen.

We process into church together and take our places, all standing.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

PresiderThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd with thy spirit.PresiderLet us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: "Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me. the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness,

ISAIAH 50:4-9A

rivers in the desert,

to give drink to my chosen people,

the people whom I formed for myself

so that they might declare my praise."

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. *People* Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Let us read together from Psalm 31.

⁹Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble; * my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.

¹⁰For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; * my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.

¹¹I have become a reproach to all my enemies and even to my neighbors, a dismay to those of my acquaintance; * when they see me in the street they avoid me.

- ¹²I am forgotten like a dead man, out of mind; * I am as useless as a broken pot.
- ¹³For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around; * they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.
- ¹⁴But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. * I have said, "You are my God.

¹⁵My times are in your hand; * rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

¹⁶Make your face to shine upon your servant, * and in your loving-kindness save me."

SECOND READING

Philippians 2:5-11

A reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians.

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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

THE PASSION GOSPEL

Narrator

him. When he reached the place, he said to them, Jesus Pray that you may not come into the time of trial. Narrator Then he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, knelt down, and prayed, Jesus Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done. Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. In his anguish he praved Narrator more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground. When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, and he said to them. Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial. Jesus Narrator While he was still speaking, suddenly a crowd came, and the one called Judas, one of the twelve, was leading them. He approached Jesus to kiss him; but Jesus said to him, Jesus Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man? Narrator When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked, Readers Lord, should we strike with the sword? Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus said, Narrator No more of this! Jesus And he touched his ear and healed him. Then Jesus said to the chief priests, the officers of the Narrator temple police, and the elders who had come for him, Jesus Have you come out with swords and clubs as if I were a bandit? When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness! Narrator Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house. But Peter was following at a distance. When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. Then a servant-girl, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said. Reader 1 This man also was with him.

Jesus came out and went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives; and the disciples followed

Narrator But he denied it, saying,

Peter	Woman, I do not know him.
Narrator	A little later someone else, on seeing him, said,
Reader 2	You also are one of them.
Narrator	But Peter said,
Peter	Man, I am not!
Narrator	Then about an hour later still another kept insisting,
Reader 3	Surely this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean.
Narrator	But Peter said,
Peter	Man, I do not know what you are talking about!
Narrator	At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times." And he went out and wept bitterly. Now the men who were holding Jesus began to mock him and beat him; they also blindfolded him and kept asking him,
Readers	Prophesy! Who is it that struck you?
Narrator	They kept heaping many other insults on him. When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, gathered together, and they brought him to their council. They said,
Readers	If you are the Messiah, tell us.
Narrator	He replied,
Jesus	If I tell you, you will not believe; and if I question you, you will not answer. But from now on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God.
Narrator	All of them asked,
Readers	Are you, then, the Son of God?
Narrator	He said to them,
Jesus	You say that I am.
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Narrator	Then they said,

Narrator	Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him, saying,
Readers	We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king.
Narrator	Then Pilate asked him,
Pilate	Are you the king of the Jews?
Narrator	He answered,
Jesus	You say so.
Narrator	Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds,
Pilate	I find no basis for accusation against this man.
Narrator	But they were insistent and said,
Readers:	He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place.
Narrator	When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate. That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies. Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, and said to them,
Pilate	You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. I will therefore have him flogged and release him.
Narrator	Then they all shouted out together,
Readers	Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!
Narrator	This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder. Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; but they kept shouting,
CONGREGA	TION CRUCIFY, CRUCIFY HIM!

Narrator A third time he said to them,

Pilate Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him.

Narrator But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished. As they led him away, they seized a man, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming from the country, and they laid the cross on him, and made him carry it behind Jesus. A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. But Jesus turned to them and said,

Jesus Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For the days are surely coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us.' For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?

Narrator Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him.

All stand.

- *Narrator* When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said,
- *Jesus* Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.
- *Narrator* And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying,

CONGREGATION HE SAVED OTHERS; LET HIM SAVE HIMSELF IF HE IS THE MESSIAH OF GOD, HIS CHOSEN ONE!

Narrator The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying,

CONGREGATION IF YOU ARE THE KING OF THE JEWS, SAVE YOURSELF!

- *Narrator* There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying,
- *Reader* Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!

Narrator But the other rebuked him, saying,

Reader Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.

Narrator	Then he said,
Reader	Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.
Narrator	He replied,
Jesus	Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.
Narrator	It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said,
Jesus	Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.
Narrator	Having said this, he breathed his last.

A brief silence is kept.

Narrator When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said,

CONGREGATION CERTAINLY THIS MAN WAS INNOCENT.

Narrator And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things. Now there was a good and righteous man named Joseph, who, though a member of the council, had not agreed to their plan and action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea, and he was waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then he took it down, wrapped it in a linen cloth, and laid it in a rock-hewn tomb where no one had ever been laid. It was the day of Preparation, and the sabbath was beginning. The women who had come with him from Galilee followed, and they saw the tomb and how his body was laid. Then they returned, and prepared spices and ointments. On the sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

THE SERMON

Silence is kept after the sermon.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Deacon Let us pray for the church and the world.

Leader Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

We pause, making space for prayer.

Leader	Lord, in your mercy,
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- *People* Hear our prayer.
- *Leader* Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

We pause, making space for prayer.

Leader	Lord, in your mercy,
People	Hear our prayer.

Leader Give us a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

We pause, making space for prayer.

Leader	Lord, in your mercy,
People	Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, Leader and love one another as he loves us.

We pause, making space for prayer.

Leader	Lord, in your mercy,
People	Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in Leader their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

We pause, making space for prayer.

Leader Lord, in your mercy, People Hear our prayer.

Leader We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

We pause, making space for prayer.

Leader Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer. People

Presider Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. Amen.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you. People

We greet one another in the name of the Lord, maintaining appropriate social distancing.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CELEBRATIONS AND MILESTONES

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.

All may join in praying.

OFFERTORY NOTES

Online giving is available; just look for the purple "give" button on our website 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!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

The Presider continues

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, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was in every way tempted as we are, yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again. 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

Presider and People

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Please kneel or stand, as you are able.

The Presider continues

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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

People and Presider

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

FRACTION ANTHEM

PresiderChrist our Passover is sacrificed for us;PeopleTherefore let us keep the feast.

O LAMB OF GOD

Presider and People

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

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*.

INVITATION AND DISTRIBUTION

The Presider says The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The ministers receive the Sacrament and then deliver it to the people.

ABOUT RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome at God's table, children included. Gluten-free Communion hosts are available; please ask. **Wine is being served via intinction only**; the priest will dip your host into the chalice of wine and then offer it to you. If you would prefer to receive bread only, you may simply say so. The customary response upon receiving Communion is "Amen." Crossing your arms over your chest indicates that you would like to receive a blessing instead of Communion.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Presider says Let us pray.

Presider and People

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.

BLESSING

The Priest blesses the people, saying

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

DISMISSAL

DeaconLet us bless the Lord.PeopleThanks 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 FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 10, 2022

The full announcements are available at www.churchofstmartin.org

Easter Offering: Helping Ukraine in Partnership with Episcopal Relief and Development

The world has watched in horror as war has raged for nearly two months now, with devastating consequences. Episcopal Relief and Development is deeply engaged in the response and is addressing humanitarian needs. International Program staff are in close contact with church and ecumenical partners on the ground. These organizations are coordinating immediate and long-term humanitarian responses through their local partners in Romania, Poland, Hungary and Slovakia.

It is a long-time tradition at St. Martin's that our two biggest annual "plate offerings" (the money collected at a service, as opposed to funds given as part of an annual pledge), Christmas and Easter, go to a worthy organization doing work that is in line with our values and priorities. This year's Special Offerings Committee recommended that we give our Easter plate offering to Episcopal Relief and Development, to be used for humanitarian aid to Ukraine. The Vestry has unanimously approved that recommendation. Now it is up to you to give generously!

Please make checks out to The Church of St. Martin and add "Easter Offering" to the memo line. You may also give online using the purple GIVE button on St. Martin's website. After clicking GIVE, use the drop-down menu to select "Easter Offering—Aid to Ukraine"). Thank you in advance for your generosity! Let us all continue to pray for peace and to work for justice at home and around the world.

Holy Week: We Walk Togther on the Journey to the Cross and the Empty Tomb Palm Sunday, April 10

8am – Rite I Holy Eucharist (traditional language, no music, in person only)

10am – Rite II Holy Eucharist with Palm Sunday Procession (including donkeys!). This worship service will be hybrid (in person with a simultaneous livestream). Come meet our four-legged friends before the service, starting at 9:30. Children will gather in Classroom 4 for Godly Play after the procession. All are welcome to dye Easter eggs after the service!

<u>Maundy Thursday, April 14</u>

7pm - Holy Eucharist. This service will be hybrid and includes choral music, the stripping of the altar, and an optional foot washing ritual that commemorates Jesus' command to love one another as he has loved us.

<u>Good Friday, April 15</u>

12pm - Outdoor, self-guided Stations of the Cross prayer walk (Spanish and English)3pm - Indoor service and guided Stations of the CrossThe church will be open from noon to 3pm for individual contemplative prayer.

Great Vigil of Easter, April 16

8pm – Rite II Holy Eucharist (this worship service will be hybrid).

This Easter service includes an outdoor fire, procession into the church, choir music, and dramatized scripture readings. An optional gathering afterward includes festive sparkling beverages in celebration of the Resurrection.

Easter Sunday, April 17

8am – Festive Choral Holy Eucharist (in-person only)
10am -Festive Choral Holy Eucharist (hybrid)
Celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord with the choir at both services. After the 10 o'clock service, please stay for a fun and festive extra-special Coffee Hour!

Readers needed for (dramatic) readings at the Easter Vigil

The Easter Vigil calls for more than our usual cast of readers. We want to reach out to anyone who enjoys reading in public or has a bit of a flair for the dramatic—now is your time to shine! For the dramatic readings at the Vigil (which takes place on Saturday, April 16, at 8pm), or to help in other ways at any of the Holy Week services, we'd like to know by Monday morning at the latest. Please reach out to info@churchofstmartin.org! Your help is greatly appreciated!

Godly Play Meets This Sunday, April 10, Plus Donkeys and Egg Dyeing

We are gathering in person for Godly Play this Sunday right after the Palm Sunday procession (a few minutes after 10am). Since we will have some special guests for the procession—donkeys—we imagine your children will want to be part of the festivities with these four-legged friends. As the procession ends, you can steer your children over to Classroom 4, where Diane will be waiting to welcome them. Your storyteller this week will be the Rev. Debbie Hawkins. Afterward, they'll join you back in the sanctuary for communion. After the service, there will be Easter egg dyeing (please bring your own hard-boiled eggs, though we will have some extras) for kids and adults. We hope you'll stick around for coffee hour and this fun Holy Week craft! Let Pastor Casey (casey@churchofstmartin.org) know if you have any questions.

Summer Day Camp and New Families Gathering Group

Hello Families! As we head into summer you may have been left with the question of what to do with our children over the school break. If you're still looking for a summer camp, St. Martin's is partnering to offer a multi-faith day camp from June 13-17 for children entering 1st to 7th grades. For more information, please email <u>casey@churchofstmartin.org</u>. We have also started a Families Gathering on zoom. We invite all parents or guardians of children 18 and under to join us to socialize and discuss anything from naptime to college applications. Our next Families Gathering will be on May 4th at 8:30pm. We also know a lot of us are zoomed out and want some in person gatherings. We plan to meet in May in person at a park for a picnic, date TBD. For more information email <u>communications@churchofstmartin.org</u>.

TYGMOS Frisbee Golf Sunday Afternoon

Taking advantage of the nice weather we have been having, Tim will meet you at St. Martin's at 4:00pm this Sunday, April 10 for frisbee golf! You'll walk together to the frisbee golf course nearby, play a round, and head back over to church for some pizza. All you need to bring is shoes that walk well on grass. See you there!

Opportunity to Connect at Davis Farmers Market

As part of our efforts to Invite, Welcome and Connect (IWC) we will have a space at the Davis Farmers' Market to spread the word about what St. Martin's Episcopal Church is all about. The IWC committee will provide a sign and pamphlet material that we can offer to anyone who stops by our table. What we need are volunteers willing to staff the table and serve as St. Martin's ambassadors. If you're interested, the IWC committee will provide guidance; for now, just contact Tim Williams (info available through the directory) or info@churchofstmartin.org and Tim will get back to you. Once we receive a group of initial volunteers, we will schedule a brief training session and schedule St. Martin's Ambassadors for Sat (8 am -1 pm) and Wed (3 pm -6 pm) at Central Park. We are also open to 2 shifts on Saturday and Wednesday so that the time commitment is manageable for Ambassadors.

<u>Upcoming Meeting Dates</u> (On Zoom; contact <u>communications@churchofstmartin.org</u> for link.)

Care for God's Creation: Monday, April 11 at 7:00pm Ministry Council: Wednesday, April 20, at 7:00pm Invite Welcome Connect: Thursday, April 21, at 7:00pm Buildings and Grounds: Friday, April 22 at 4:00pm Vestry: Monday, April 25, at 4:30pm Social Justice and Outreach: Tuesday, April 26 at 7:00pm

Readers Needed for All Services

If you are interested in reading the Scripture passages or leading the Prayers of the People (in person) at either the 8am or the 10am services, please contact us at <u>info@churchofstmartin.org</u>. If you have never read before, we would be happy to give you some tips and show you how to use the built-in microphone on the reader podium. If you just want more information about reading, we would love to talk with you. **You can also sign up to read by filling out the Doodle poll <u>here</u>**.

Saturday Meal Reps Needed

For many years, St. Martin's Parish Hall has hosted community meals three times a week, which are prepared by volunteers working with Davis Community Meals & Housing (DCMH). Currently, hot meals are prepared in the kitchen and boxed up "to go." We are in need of Saturday meal representatives who are willing to dedicate a couple of hours on one Saturday per month to greet and organize folks who come by to get their meal to go, oversee clean-up, and lock up afterwards. The Saturday commitment is from 10:45 am to 12:15 pm. Please reach out to Diana Glick (email in the church directory) if you have questions or might want to participate in this worthy activity.

"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!!

Grace Garden Volunteering Opportunity

Grace Garden (located on Anderson Road at the United Methodist Church) grows vegetables and fruits to help feed those in our community who are facing food insecurity. You, too, are invited to join in the fun on **Mondays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 9:00am to 11:00am!**

Virtual Office Hours

Our "virtual" office hours are Monday-Friday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. You can reach the office by calling us at 530-756-0444 or sending an email to info@churchofstmartin.org. The physical office space remains closed for the time being, but we are working on reopening soon.. If you need to come to the office to drop something off or pick something up, please contact the office in advance to schedule an appointment.

The church office will be closed on Monday, April 18, the day after Easter.