

# Sunday, August 28, 2022—Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost The Holy Eucharist Rite II at 10:00am

**SERVICE NOTES:** We are glad you have joined us this morning! Most of the service music can be found at the end of the bulletin with the Sanctus printed within the main text. **If you are online**: Closed captioning is available on Zoom. We encourage everyone to sing and pray actively from home. Feel free to add prayer requests, celebrations, and milestones in the chat box. Just remember not to share sensitive information online—please use first names only. **If you are in person**: We also encourage you to sing and pray actively. Just remember to please maintain a respectful silence when appropriate, especially during the prelude and postlude, so that others may listen to the music and pray. Thank you!

PRELUDE "Paean" (Song of Praise) H. Howells

Please stand, as you are able, for the Opening Hymn.

**OPENING HYMN** H 686 "Come, thou fount of every blessing" (*Nettleton*)

#### **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

PresiderBlessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.PeopleAnd blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

#### **COLLECT FOR PURITY** The Presider says

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.

**SONG OF PRAISE** WLP 787 "Siyahamba" (*Siyahamba*)

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

PresiderGod be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.PresiderLet us pray.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. *Amen*.

#### FIRST READING Please be seated for the readings.

A reading from the book of Jeremiah.

- Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the Lord:
- What wrong did your ancestors find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves?
- They did not say, "Where is the Lord who brought us up from the land of Egypt,
- who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits,
- in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?"
- I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things.
- But when you entered you defiled my land, and made my heritage an abomination.
- The priests did not say, "Where is the Lord?" Those who handle the law did not know me;
- the rulers transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal, and went after things that do not profit.
- Therefore once more I accuse you, says the Lord, and I accuse your children's children.
- Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing.
- Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods?
- But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit.
- Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the Lord,
- for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me,
- the fountain of living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves,
- cracked cisterns that can hold no water.
- LectorHear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.PeopleThanks be to God.

## PSALM

Let us read together from Psalm 81.

- 1 Sing with joy to God our strength, \* and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.
- 10 I am your God,who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said, \*"Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it."
- 11 And yet my people did not hear my voice, \* and Israel would not obey me.
- 12 So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their hearts, \* to follow their own devices.
- 13 Oh, that my people would listen to me, \* that Israel would walk in my ways!
- 14 I should soon subdue their enemies \* and turn my hand against their foes.
- 15 Those who hate me would cringe before me, \* and their punishment would last for ever.
- 16 But Israel would I feed with the finest wheat \* and satisfy them with honey from the rock.

#### SECOND READING

Hebrews 13:1-8. 15-16

A reading from Paul's letter to the Hebrews.

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?"

Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

LectorHear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.PeopleThanks be to God.

Please stand, as you are able. ALL are invited to sing the sequence hymn! Note: These words are not printed in the bulletin, but we feel confident you will catch on quickly.

**SEQUENCE HYMN** EOM2 119 "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"

#### GOSPEL

GospellerThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, `Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, `Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

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

## THE SERMON

#### THE CREED

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.

Silence is kept after the sermon.

Please stand, as you are able, for the Creed.

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** *The Leader and the People pray responsively.*

- *Deacon* Let us join together and offer prayers for the church and for 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 to be said, either silently or aloud.)

Lord, in your mercy

# 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 to be said, either silently or aloud.)

Lord, in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

Leader Give us all 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 to be said, either silently or aloud.)

Lord, in your mercy

# People Hear our prayer.

Leader Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We pray especially for students, teachers, administrators, parents, and all who have begun a new school year or will be soon.

(We pause, making space for prayer to be said, either silently or aloud.)

Lord, in your mercy

## People Hear our prayer.

*Leader* Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray especially for those on our parish prayer list.

(We pause, making space for prayer to be said, either silently or aloud.) 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 to be said, either silently or aloud.)* 

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.** 

*Presider* O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## **CONFESSION OF SIN** *You may stand or kneel, as you are able, for the Confession.*

#### The Deacon says

People

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.

#### THE PEACE

PresiderThe peace of Christ be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.We greet one another in the name of the Lord. Please be sensitive to those who wish to maintain physical distance.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please see the announcements at the end of the bulletin (before the hymns) and feel free to take this bulletin home with you. In addition, an extended announcement sheet is on our website. If you do not currently receive an email from us with current news and events, please reach out to <u>info@churchofstmartin.org</u> so we can be in touch.

# **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.

#### **BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS** *Please see last page of this bulletin (p. 16).*

#### **OFFERTORY NOTES**

We are not currently passing collection plates, but there is a basket near the baptismal font. Online giving is available; just look for the purple "give" button on our website or the QR code near the back of this bulletinor 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**

Anthem sung by the Family Choir.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

PresiderThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.PresiderLift up your hearts.PeopleWe lift them to the Lord.

# All may join in praying.

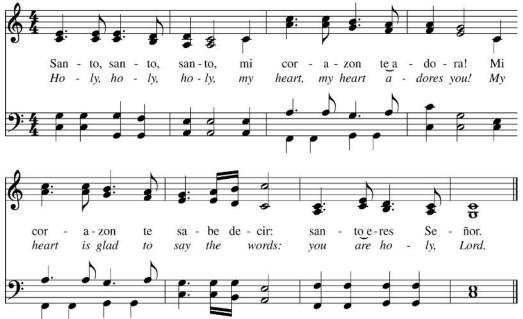
Please stand, as you are able, for the Eucharistic Prayer.

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

#### The Presider continues

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

SANCTUSWLP 785 "Santo, Santo, Santo"Presider and People



#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### Then the Presider continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with Martin and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

## 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,	Our Father in heaven,
santificado sea tu Nombre,	hallowed be your Name,
venga tu reino,	your kingdom come,
hágase tu voluntad,	your will be done,
en la tierra como en el cielo.	on earth as in heaven.
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.	Give us today our daily bread.
Perdona nuestras ofensas,	Forgive us our sins
como también nosotros perdonamos a los	as we forgive those who sin against us.
que nos ofenden.	Save us from the time of trial,
No nos dejes caer en tentación	and deliver us from evil.
y líbranos del mal.	For the kingdom, the power,
Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder,	and the glory are yours,
y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre.	now and forever.
Amen.	Amen.

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

#### THE FRACTION ANTHEM

PresiderAlleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;PeopleTherefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

#### The Presider says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

# **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.

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 Eucharistic is not possible, 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** 

WLP 761 "All who hunger gather gladly" (Holy Manna)

# **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

*After Communion, the Presider says* Let us pray.

# Presider and People

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of Christ, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

# **BLESSING** The Presider offers a blessing and the People respond AMEN

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN H 602 "Jesu, Jesu" (Chereponi)

# DISMISSAL

LeaderGo in peace to love and serve the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE** "Voluntary in C" Dr. W. Croft

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# LITURGICAL MINISTERS

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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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STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT & ACTION



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# ABBREVIATED ANNOUNCEMENTS—WEEK OF August 28, 2022

For the full announcements, visit www.churchofstmartin.org

#### Blessing of the Backpacks, This Sunday, August 28

For most of the parents, teachers, and children in our community, this is back-to-school season and we want all of them to feel loved and supported by their parish throughout the year. On Sunday (August 28) during the 10:00am service, we will have a Blessing of the Backpacks. Bring your backpack, book bag, or briefcase to have it blessed–and receive a little reminder of St. Martin's to keep with you throughout the year!

#### Kick-off Sunday, September 11

We are excited to kick off our program year on Sunday, September 11. In honor of this big day, we will hold only one service at 10:00am. Come join us at a celebratory service where we all worship together! The service will be livestreamed, as usual, on Zoom and Facebook Live, and posted later on YouTube. After worship, join us for cake and several fun events for adults and children, including soccer on the great lawn, the Kona Ice truck (first 50 servings are free!), and face painting.

#### In-person Godly Play Begins September 11 at 10:00am

Godly Play also begins on Sunday, September 11 and will meet twice a month, on the second and fourth Sundays at 10:00am. The class will meet in person in Room 4. Children from kindergarten through 6th grade are welcome. Kids who attend will be back in church in time to take communion with their families. You may register your children online using the form below or you can register them in-person at church on Sunday, September 11. For additional information contact Sheri Reynolds or Helen Campbell (email in church directory or the office can help you connect).

#### **Online Godly Play Registration**

#### https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfcYYohikY6wZN43GpLr\_J2\_juBsGsXCRJA7T4w2HfVzCUejw /viewform

#### The Sanctuary Choir Resumes on September 11, too!

The Sanctuary Choir, the choir that brings beautiful singing to our church during the program year at the 10:00am service, will begin again on September 11. The first choir practice will be on Thursday, September 8 at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary. For questions about the choir, contact our music ministers, Jeffrey and Suzanne, at jubenvilles@churchofstmartin.org.

#### **Rector's Office Hours**

Pamela continues to hold office hours on Tuesday, 4:00 - 5:00 pm outside near the prayer chalkboard (weather permitting) or indoors in the church library. **Her upcoming office hours will be on Tuesday, August 30**. If you want to arrange to meet with Pamela at a different time, just email her or contact the church office (<u>info@churchofstmartin.org</u>) to set something up.

#### 2022 Directory Completed!

This past week, we emailed out a digital copy of the St. Martin's 2022 Directory to everyone for whom we have an email address. We did get several bounced emails, so if you did not get a digital copy and would like one, please email <u>communications@churchofstmartin.org</u> and we will email you a copy.

If you prefer a physical copy of the directory, we will have printed copies available at the church office from 9am-12pm Monday through Friday. If you would like a printed version and cannot pick one up during our open hours, just email the office at <u>info@churchofstmartin.org</u> and we will find a way to get one to you. Thank your for your patience as we've updated our information to produce this new directory. We are happy to be able to provide this useful resource to you.

## Vestry News and Review

A new Vestry News and Review article written by Vestry member David Martin is now available for you to read. Vestry News and Review articles are posted on our website and give you updates and insights from St. Martin's Vestry. Please find the latest article here: <u>https://churchofstmartin.org/2022/08/26/vestry-news-and-review-how-to-walk-in-love-by-david-martin/</u>

#### An Invitation to Learn About Refugee Resettlement in Our Area

Do you want to learn about the Ukrainian and Afghan refugees arriving in our area and the many opportunities to help them make new homes among us? If so, please join friends and neighbors at a Zoom presentation on refugee resettlement efforts in Yolo County. Bob Wohlsen, Refugee Resettlement Coordinator for the Episcopal Diocese of Northern California, will discuss the many ways—both large and small—that we can help families who have traveled here to escape war in their home countries. Congregations of various faiths in Woodland and Davis are exploring ways to help. Below are two opportunities to attend an informational meeting:

# Thursday, September 1 at 5:00 pm on Zoom OR Thursday, September 15 at 1:00pm on Zoom

An opportunity to join in a group effort to help a refugee family will be discussed, but attending a meeting does not commit you to volunteer. All are welcome to join us simply to learn about the many groups working together to welcome refugee families to Northern California. Contact Molly Hillis if you have questions or would like the Zoom link (email address in the church directory or the church office can help you make contact).

## Parish Prayer List Update

Please know that people you have placed on the Parish Prayer List are being prayed for. The clergy pray the list regularly. We also pray the list every Friday night at Compline (8:30pm on Zoom). Individuals may also request a copy of the Prayer List if you would like to pray it on your own. Just contact the church office (<u>info@churchofstmartin.org</u>) and we will send it to you. If you have someone you would like us to pray for, please let us know through our online prayer request form, which is simple to fill out and can be found here: <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeIqI5C4OurynsauPSpbsts2kAjHjt5Lq9hBcQQmb1TGY5a2A/vie wform</u>.

We work hard to keep the Prayer List updated, but we need your help. We generally leave people on the prayer list for four weeks, unless you tell us to do otherwise. If you placed someone's name on the list more than four weeks ago and wish them to stay on the prayer list, please let the office know. To have prayer requests, celebrations, or milestones read aloud during Sunday services, please contact Deacon Margaret (margaret@churchofstmartin.org).

# Seeds of Justice, Program Year 2, Continues

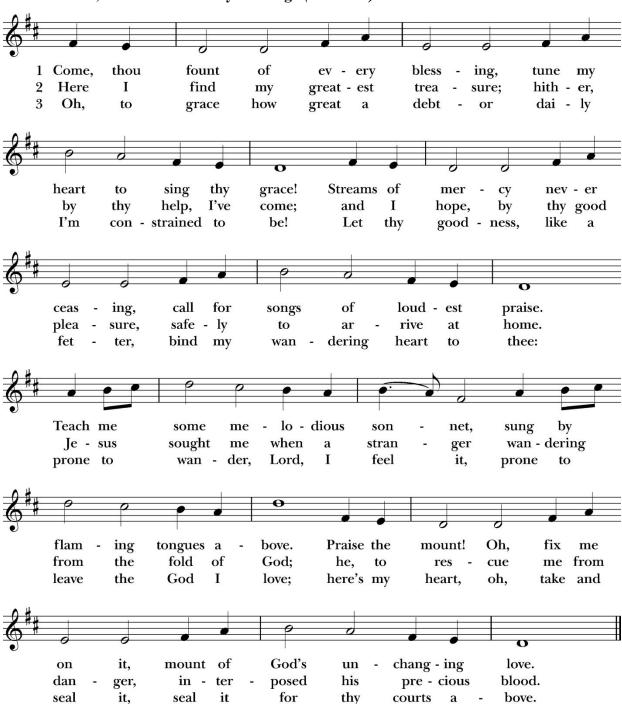
Our Seeds of Justice Program, Year 2, begins soon. The first event will take place on September 18 both on Zoom and in person in the church. If you plan to attend on Zoom, please use the registration link below. If you wish to attend in person, contact the church office to let us know you will be there (info@churchofstmartin.org or (530) 756-0444).

## Sunday, September 18 at 4:00pm (in person and on Zoom)

*"In Relation to Water: Indigenous Leadership in Restoring and Re-envisioning Watershed Stewardship."* Beth Rose Middleton Manning, Professor, Dept. of Native American Studies, UC Davis. **Register in advance for Zoom participation:** 

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcvcuihrzwrE9Dy3JAoW\_nqotIB70phX1Ea

For more information about this and the other upcoming Seeds of Justice events, please see our website:: <u>https://churchofstmartin.org/2022/08/03/save-the-date-seeds-of-justice-continues/</u>



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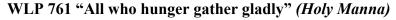
#### WLP 787 "Siyahamba"

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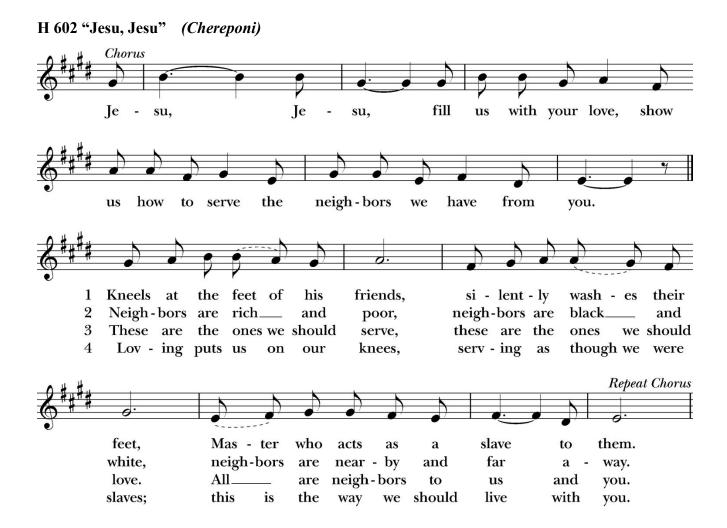
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Marcharemos en la luz de Dios, marcharemos en la luz de Dios. Marcharemos en la luz de Dios, marcharemos en la luz de Dios. Marchremos (remos) marcharemos (remos) marcharemos en la luz, en la luz de dios. Marcharemos (remos) marcharemos (remos) marcharemos en la luz de Dios. South African; Spanish words, Bernardo Murray (b. 1965)







## **BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS LITANY**

All students, teachers, and school staff or administrators of any age are welcome to come forward. If you don't have your backpack, book bag, or briefcase with you, no worries. We're really blessing **you**, not your stuff!

Leader All	For all the good things God has provided, let us join in praise and thanksgiving. For pens, pencils, crayons and markers, <b>Thanks be to God!</b>
Leader All	For notebooks and student planners, paper and folders, calculators and laptops, <b>Thanks be to God!</b>
Leader	For these students: for all their different talents and gifts; and for their insights and commitment to learning,
All	Thanks be to God!
Leader	We know there are too many children who prepare for school without backpacks to fill and some who do not have enough to eat or new clothes to wear. Will you pray for them, share what you have with them, and offer kind and encouraging words? If so, then say, "We will, with God's help."
All	We will, with God's help.
Leader All	When we baptize children we promise to nurture their faith and help them to grow into the full stature of Christ. Will you recommit today to being a positive influence in the lives of all young people who gather at St. Martin's? Will you pray for them, and assist in supporting their faith journeys whenever you can? If so, then say, "We will, with God's help." <b>We will, with God's help.</b>
Presider	God of Wisdom, we give you thanks for schools and classrooms and for the teachers and students who fill them each day. We thank you for this new beginning, for new books and new ideas. We thank you for sharpened pencils, pointy crayons, and crisp blank pages waiting to be filled. We thank you for the gift of making mistakes and trying again. Help us to remember that asking the right questions is often as important as giving the right answers. Today we give you thanks for these teachers and students, and all who contribute to the education of young minds. We ask you to bless them with curiosity, understanding and respect. May their backpacks, book bags, and briefcases be a sign to them that they have everything they need to learn and grow this year in school and in Church School. May the fleece hearts made by the Prayer Shawl Ministry that we give them today be comforting to them as they start this new year. May they be guided by your love. All this we ask in the name of Jesus, who as a child in the temple showed his longing to learn about you, and as an adult taught by story and example your great love for us. <b>Amen.</b>

Adapted from Forma (Christian Formation Network), <u>https://www.forma.church/back-2-school-resources-for-the-way-of-love/</u>