Sunday, October 30, 2022 – Twenty-first 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 beginning on page 12, with the Sanctus and Fraction Anthem 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 "Allegro" from "Concerto No. 11" G.F. Händel

"Introit" from "Sonata da Chiesa V" B. Cabena

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

OPENING HYMN H410 "Praise my soul the King of heaven" (*Lauda anima*)

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

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.

ALL are invited to sing the song of praise!

SONG OF PRAISE S280 "Glory to God" (*Canticle 20*)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Presider Let us pray.

God our rock and refuge: keep us safe in your care and strengthen us with your grace, that we may pray to you faithfully and love one another boldly, following the example of Jesus, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives for ever and ever. Amen.

(source: Veronese Sacramentary)

FIRST READING *Please be seated for the readings.*

A reading from the book of Habakkuk.

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen?

Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save?

Why do you make me see wrong-doing and look at trouble?

Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise.

So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails.

The wicked surround the righteous—therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart;

I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

Then the LORD answered me and said:

Write the vision;

make it plain on tablets,

so that a runner may read it.

For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie.

If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay.

Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

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

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM Please join in singing from Psalm 119.

Robert Knox Kennedy (b. 1945)

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4



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- 137 You are righteous, O <u>God</u>, * and upright are your <u>judgments</u>.
- 138 You have issued your decrees * with justice and in perfect faithfulness.
- 139 My indignation has con<u>sumed me</u>, * because my enemies forget your <u>words</u>.
- 140 Your word has been tested to the <u>uttermost</u>, * and your servant holds it <u>dear</u>.
- 141 I am small and of little account, * yet I do not forget your commandments.



- 142 Your justice is an everlasting <u>justice</u> * and your law is the truth.
- 143 Trouble and distress have come upon me, * yet your commandments are my delight.
- 144 The righteousness of your decrees is ever<u>lasting</u>; * grant me understanding, that I may <u>live</u>.

SECOND READING 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

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

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly, and the love of everyone of you for one another is increasing. Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and the afflictions that you are enduring.

To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will make you worthy of his call and will fulfill by his power every good resolve and work of faith, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

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

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand, as you are able. ALL are invited to sing the sequence hymn!

SEQUENCE HYMN Hyfrdol

Choir Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Choir Hark! The Word of God is calling over the ages the Good News for all!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 19:1-10

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to

grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

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

THE SERMON

Silence is kept after the sermon.

THE CREED

Please stand, as you are able, for 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLEThe Leader and the People pray responsively.

Deacon Recognizing that our gifts are miracles that enable our ministry, serve our neighbors, and

strengthen our community, we gather to offer our intentions, petitions, and thanksgivings to God.

Leader I ask your prayers for the Church, the inspiration and inheritance of our gifts of wealth,

works, and wisdom. Pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Megan, our Bishop; Pamela, our

rector and Margaret, our deacon; Betsy, our seminarian; Ernie and Deborah, our priest

associates, and all other ministers in the Church.

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

Thanks to God's great abundance,

People There can always be more than enough.

Leader We ask your prayers for the world, God's greatest miracle. May we who inherit this earth be

wise stewards of Creation and kind caretakers of all your creatures. We ask your prayers for those who lead our nation and our communities. For Joseph, our President; for Gavin, our Governor; for our legislative and judicial institutions; and for the representatives of our local government. May they use the plentiful resources they steward to care for the people of the

world.

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

Thanks to God's great abundance,

People There can always be more than enough.

Leader

We ask your prayers for our neighbors and all who need or request our prayers. For those who are marginalized and oppressed; those who are sick and those who are dying; for the lonely and isolated; for those who are suffering; and for those who sleep on our streets. We pray for all on our parish prayer list.

(The deacon will share prayer requests and then invite those in the congregation to pray out

loud, if desired.)

Thanks to God's great abundance,

There can always be more than enough.

Leader I ask your prayers for those who have died. May they forever gather at your table of plenty,

sharing their gifts with love and joy.

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

Thanks to God's great abundance,

There can always be more than enough.

Leader As the crowd who gathered to hear Jesus preach was able to share two fish and five loaves with

more than enough left over, they discovered that when their gifts were blessed, they increased and became a blessing to others. We give you thanks for the uncountable miracles and blessings

in our lives.

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

Thanks to God's great abundance,

People: There can always be more than enough.

Presider: Holy God, your love knows no bounds and you did not hesitate to give your whole self to us in

the person of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. May we, too, reach within ourselves to share our gifts generously, so that our love overflows in a need-filled world. These and all things we ask in

the name of your Son and through the power of your Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

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

The Deacon says

Let us confess our sins to God. Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

The Presider stands and says

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

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And 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 announcement insert and the flyer on the back page of this bulletin. 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 info@churchofstmartin.org so we can be in touch.

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

We are not currently passing collection plates, but there is a basket near the baptismal font. Online giving is available; just look for the green "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 "Hark, I hear the harps eternal," tune: *Invitation*; arr. Mark Schweizer *Sung by The Choir*.

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

PresiderThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.PresiderLift up your hearts.PeopleWe 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.

The Presider continues

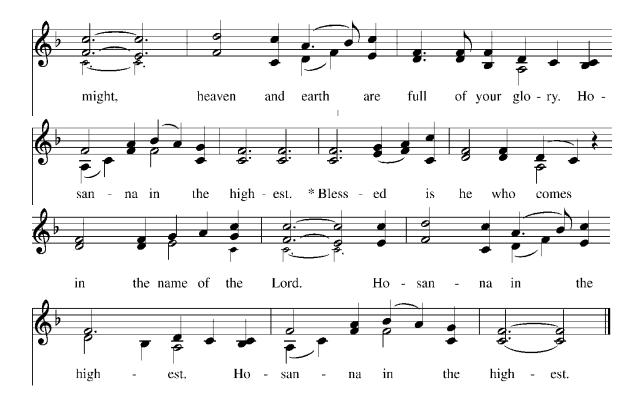
It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

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Please join in singing.





WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Then the Presider continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he 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." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Presider continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine.

By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Martin all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

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,
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.

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,

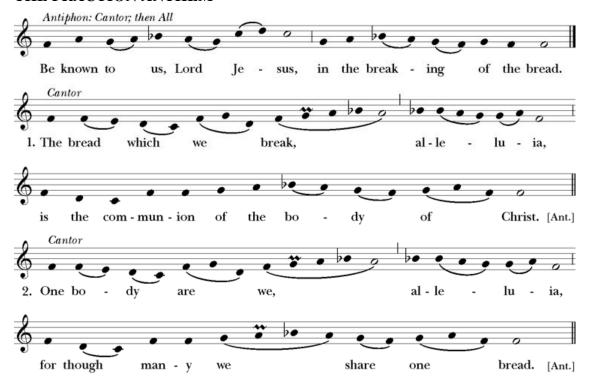
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.

Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Amen.



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 H318 "Here, O my Lord" (Nyack)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

Presider and People

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

BLESSING *The Presider offers a blessing and the People respond Amen.*

The Wisdom of God the Love of God and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN H607 "O God of every nation" (*Llangloffan*)

DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

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(source: Celtic)

POSTLUDE "Praise My Soul" E. Hill

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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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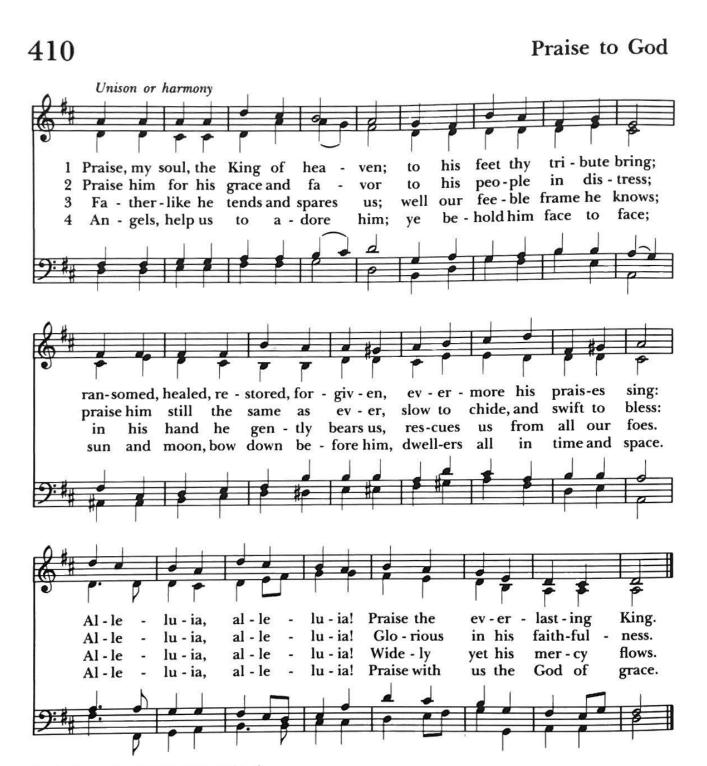


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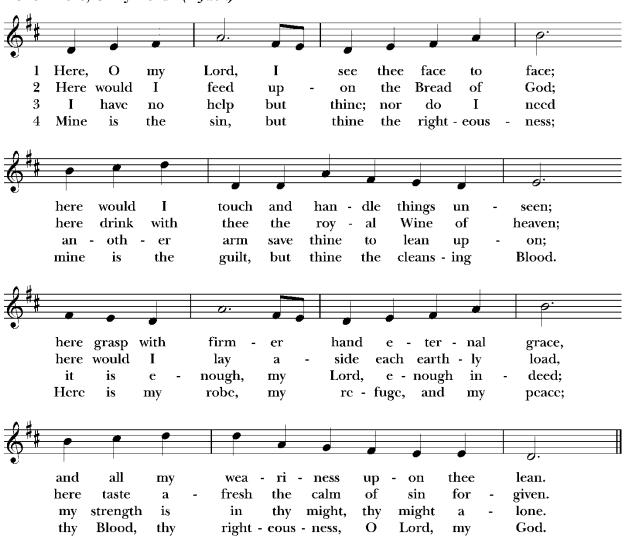
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ABBREVIATED ANNOUNCEMENTS—WEEK OF OCTOBER 30, 2022

For the full announcements, visit www.churchofstmartin.org

Today's Stewardship Speaker-Chris Reynolds

Today at both services, Chris Reynolds, a member of Vestry, will talk on Stewardship during announcements. St. Martin's is supported entirely by the financial gifts of our members and friends. We are very grateful to those who provide regular financial support to our ministries, as well as special gifts and bequests. **You may return your pledges to us in one of several ways:** mail your pledge to the church office, send in your pledge to our confidential Stewardship email address (stewardship@churchofstmartin.org), or bring your pledge to church for our ingathering on November 13, when we celebrate the Feast of St. Martin!

Send in Names for This Year's Necrology (Deadline: Today, October 30)

All are invited to submit names of those who have passed away in the past year (November 1, 2021 - now) to be included in our All Saints' Day Necrology. This list will be read on All Saints' Day at our 7:00pm service and on November 6 at both Sunday services. Please submit names of anyone you wish to have included by October 30 to the church office (530-756-0444; info@churchofstmartin.org).

All Saints' Day

All Saints' Day, Tuesday, November 1 at 7:00pm: Join us for an All Saints' Day Holy Eucharist and a reading of the Necrology (which commemorates our loved ones who have departed in the past year). At this time we will also begin creating our *ofrenda* in anticipation of our November 6 Dia de los Muertos celebration; see below for more information.

St. Martin's Ofrenda for Dia de los Muertos: We will celebrate **Dia de los Muertos on November 6.** We will have both an indoor and outdoor *ofrenda*. You are welcome to bring items (photos or memories of loved ones) to place on the *ofrenda* starting at the All Saints' Day service (Tuesday, November 1 at 7:00pm). You may also bring items on Sunday or weekdays during office hours (Monday - Friday 9am - 12pm). Please put your name on the back so that we can return items to you.

We will celebrate Dia de los Muertos at both services on November 6 and have a special coffee hour with pan dulce after the 10am service. We will also read the Necrology at both services. Join us! For more information, see our article on "Día de Los Muertos and How it Relates to All Saint's Day" at this link: https://stmartinsdavis.tiny.us/DayoftheDead

Thanksgiving Project Launches Today - Donations Requested

For over 30 years, St. Martin's has collected donations to help families in our community have a wonderful and abundant Thanksgiving meal. Last year, we were able to provide \$100 gift cards to 88 families and \$25 gift cards to 32 students. If you are able to give this year, please send a check to St. Martin's and write in the memo line "Thanksgiving Project." You may also donate using the green "GIVE" button on the St. Martin's website. After you click the "GIVE" button, you will have an option to select the "General Fund" or "the Thanksgiving Project. Click on "Thanksgiving Project" and follow the instructions that are given. The deadline for donations is November 13. For questions or if you want to get involved, please contact Jerry Hulbert, Bob Polkinghorn, or Diana Glick. Thank you for participating in this program that has helped so many!

<u>Upcoming Seeds of Justice, November 13 at 4:00pm, on Manifest Destiny and the Color of Labor</u>

Please join us for the last fall offering in our very popular Seeds of Justice series. "*How Manifest Destiny Changed the Color of Labor*" will be presented by John M. Liu, parishioner and Professor Emeritus in Depts. of Asian American Studies and Sociology, UC Irvine.

Register in advance for Zoom participation: https://stmartinsdavis.tiny.us/ColorofLabor
The registration link above is NOT the Zoom meeting link; once you register, that information will be given to you. If you have any problems with registering online, please reach out to the office so we can assist you.

Spirituality in Nature Gathering on Saturday, November 12

A recent nationwide survey of American spiritual and religious practices confirmed what most of us already know: people connect with the Holy when they spend time in nature. This is true of Christians, as well as people from other faiths and, strikingly, people who profess no faith at all. We are planning monthly Spirituality in Nature Gatherings (known a SINGs!) at various locations in the area, where we can learn from the earth and from one another. Generally, these will take place on the second Saturday of each month. Look for a schedule to come out soon. Meanwhile, we would love to see you on Saturday, November 12, at Forbes Ranch, from 11am to 1 pm. Bring a pack lunch and an open heart. We will explore gratitude practices, take a walk toward the beautiful coastal range, and give thanks for the land that supports so many trees and other beings. If you have questions, contact Stan Forbes, Jim Schaal, or Rev. Pamela.

News From Diocesan Convention

At its annual convention this past weekend, the Episcopal Diocese of Northern California passed a climate change resolution that asks all congregations in the diocese to become carbon neutral by 2030 and to do an assessment by 2024 of what it will take for each congregation to achieve this goal. We thank Rev. Pamela and Juliette Beck plus a number of others from the Diocese for putting this resolution forward. At the same convention, our rector, Pamela, was elected to serve as one of four clergy deputies from our diocese to the 81st General Convention of the Episcopal Church to be held in July of 2024 in Louisville, Kentucky. Four lay deputies were also elected (and 4 clergy and 4 lay alternates). Congratulations, Pamela! We thank all those from St. Martin's who attended Convention: Rev. Pamela, Deacon Margaret, Maria Acuna-Feldman, Helen Campbell, Francis David, Carole Hom, Elise Keddie, Janet Lane, Betsy McElroy, and Lynn Zender.

Half Day Work Party with Sierra Service Project–November 6 (RSVP deadline TODAY)

Join Tim Williams on a Sierra Service Project (SSP) half workday in Sacramento on Sunday, November 6 from 11am to 4:30pm. The work will involve building a community garden for families in transitional housing. All we have to do is show up, wear sturdy shoes, and pack a lunch. We will leave St. Martin's parking lot on Sunday morning at 11am. We would like to have a group of no less than 4 and up to 20 working together. This opportunity is open to people of all ages. SSP requires that any youth under 18 years have a signed parent permission. Youth under 16 years must be accompanied by an adult. For information or to participate, see Tim Williams at church on Sunday, email him by TODAY or contact the church office (info@churchofstmartin.org).

Encouraging All to Wear Name Tags

Now that we are returning to church in person in larger numbers and since many joined us during the pandemic lock-down, we hope all will wear name tags so that we can learn each other's names. If you need a name tag (new or replacement), just put your name on the list on the welcome table at church. Your new name tag will be available the following Sunday. In the meantime, we have stick-on name tags at the welcome table.

Readers, Ushers, EMs, Crucifers - We Need You!

We need an array of liturgical ministers every Sunday for worship at both the 8am and 10am services. Please sign up if you are able to serve. Our SignUp Genius system allows you to pick the days and ministries in which you would like to volunteer. Here is the link: https://stmartinsdayis.tiny.us/worshipsignup

Upcoming Meeting Dates (On Zoom unless noted; communications@churchofstmartin.org for link)

Ministry Council: Wednesday, November 2 at 10:00am (at the church)

Choir Practice: Thursday, November 3 at 7:00pm (in the church)

Worship Commission: Tuesday, November 15 at 5:15pm

Rector's Office Hours

Tuesday 4:00 - 5:00pm near the prayer chalkboard (weather permitting) or in the church library. Contact Rev. Pamela or the church office to arrange to see her at a different time.