



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN

Sunday, January 8, 2023 - The Baptism of Jesus The Holy Eucharist Rite II at 10:00am

SERVICE NOTES: *Welcome! We are so happy you have joined us today! Most of the service music can be found beginning on page 9. **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.*

PRELUDE

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

OPENING HYMN LEVASII 219 “This is the day”

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

All are invited to sing the refrain of the song of praise.

SONG OF PRAISE LEVASII 243 “Glory to God”

**Glory, glory, hallelujah,/ Lord we praise your holy name,
Glory, glory, hallelujah,/ Lord we praise your holy name.**

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,

**Glory, glory hallelujah,
Lord we praise your Holy name.**

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 the Father.

**Glory, glory, hallelujah,
Lord we praise your Holy name.**

**Glory, glory hallelujah,
Lord we praise your Holy name.
Praise your Holy name.**

Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray. Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

FIRST READING *Please be seated for the readings.*

Isaiah 42:1-9

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

“Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching.”

Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it:

“I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness,

I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people,
a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind,

to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.

I am the LORD, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols.

See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth,

I tell you of them.”

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

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM *Please join in reading Psalm 29.*

1 Ascribe to God, you heavenly beings, *
ascribe to God glory and strength.

2 Ascribe due honor to God’s holy Name; *
worship the Most High in the beauty of holiness.

3 The voice of God is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders; *
God is upon the mighty waters.

4 The voice of God is a powerful voice; *
the voice of God is a voice of splendor.

5 The voice of God breaks the cedar trees; *
God breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

6 God makes Lebanon skip like a calf *
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

7 The voice of God splits the flames of fire;
the voice of God shakes the wilderness; *
God shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

8 The voice of God makes the oak trees writhe *
and strips the forests bare.

- 9 And in the temple of the Holy One, *
all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 God sits enthroned above the flood, *
enthroned as Sovereign for evermore.
- 11 God shall give strength to the people; *
God shall give the people the blessing of peace.

Please stand, as you are able.

SEQUENCE HYMN H 123 "Alleluia, song of gladness," (*Tibi Christe splendor Patris*), v.1

GOSPEL

Matthew 3:13-17

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

Please use this time to write your prayer intention or request and bring it forward.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

When the Presider says, "Lord of light and love," the people respond, "Hear our prayer."

THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS *Please stand as you are able.*

The Presider says

Let us all renew our baptismal vows.

Presider Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?
People I do.

Presider Do you believe in God the Father?
People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Presider Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Presider Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Presider Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

The Presider concludes

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

All join in singing.

HYMN H 135 "Songs of thankfulness and praise" (*Salzburg*)

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord 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 announcements on pages 14 - 16. Feel free to take this bulletin home with you. We also have the announcements 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

The ushers will pass collection plates. Online giving is also available; just look for the blue "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.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Sung by the Family Choir*

OFFERTORY RESPONSE (*Franconia*) *Please join in singing.*

We give thee but thine own, / Whate'er the gift may be;

All that we have is thine alone, / A trust, O God, from thee.

—William Walsham Howe

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Presider continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord; because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS *Presider and People*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Then the Presider continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh.

For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into 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 disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Presider and People

We remember Christ's death,

We proclaim Christ's resurrection

We await Christ's coming in glory.

The Presider continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with blessed

Martin and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

People and Presider

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

Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.

Perdona nuestras ofensas,
como también nosotros perdonamos a los
que nos ofenden.

No nos dejes caer en tentación
y líbranos del mal.

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

Amen.

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.

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

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

Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore 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 H 121 “Christ, when for us you were baptized” (*Caithness*)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Presider 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 your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

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

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN H 616 “Hail to the Lord's anointed” (*Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*)

DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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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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This Is the Day

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made, that the

Lord hath made, we will re-joice, we will re-joice and be

glad in it, and be glad in it; This is the day that the

Lord hath — made, we will re-joice and be glad in — it;

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made.

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H 123, "Alleluia, song of gladness," (*Tibi Christe splendor Patris*), v.1



1 Al - le - lu - ia, song of glad - ness, voice of joy that
 2 Al - le - lu - ia thou re - sound - est, true Je - ru - sa -
 3 Al - le - lu - ia though we cher - ish and would chant for
 4 There - fore in our hymns we pray thee, grant us, bless - ed



can - not die; al - le - lu - ia is the an - them
 lem and free; al - le - lu - ia, joy - ful mo - ther,
 ev - er - more al - le - lu - ia in our sing - ing,
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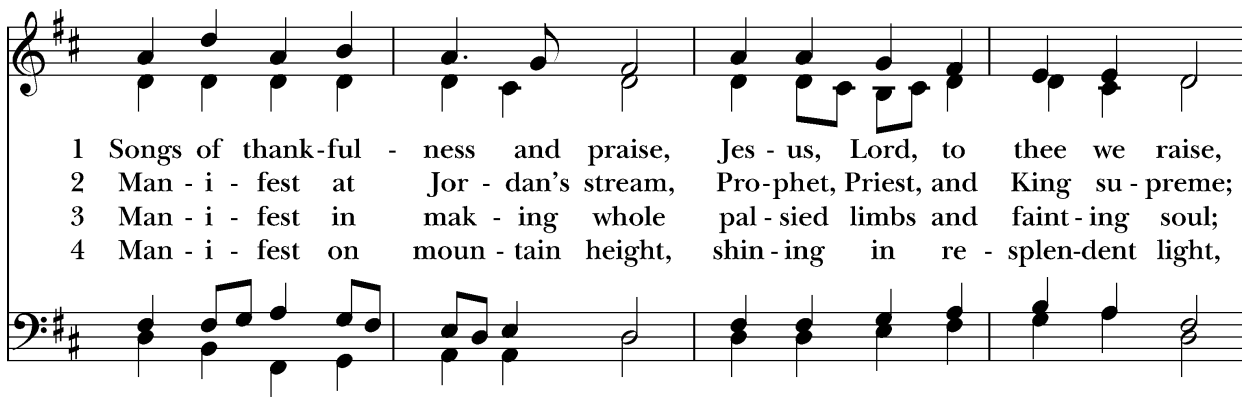


ev - er raised by choirs on high; in the house of
 all thy chil - dren sing with thee; but by Bab - y -
 let us for a while give o'er, as our Sa - vior
 with thy faith - ful saints on high; there to thee for

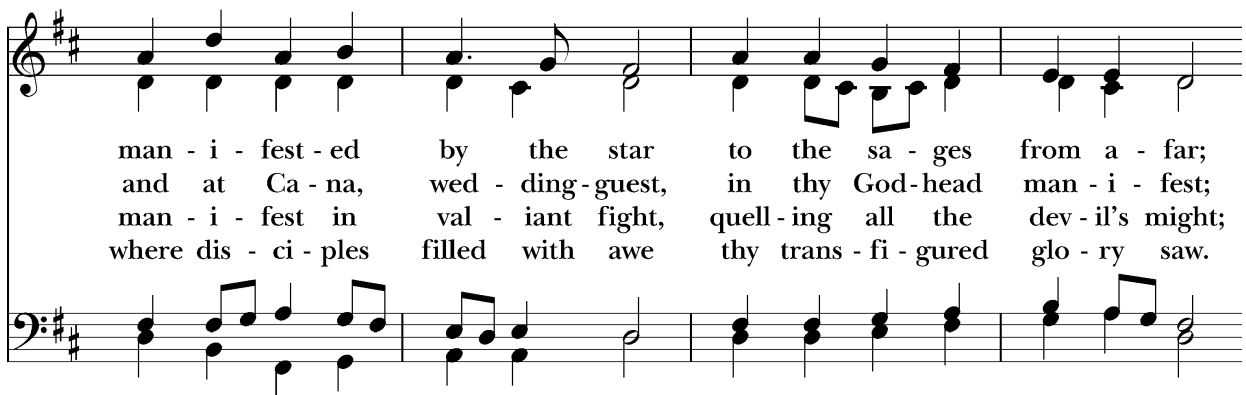


God a - bid - ing thus they sing e - ter - nal - ly.
 lon's sad wa - ters mourn - ing ex - iles now are we.
 in his fast - ing plea - sures of the world for - bore.
 ev - er sing - ing al - le - lu - ia joy - ful - ly.

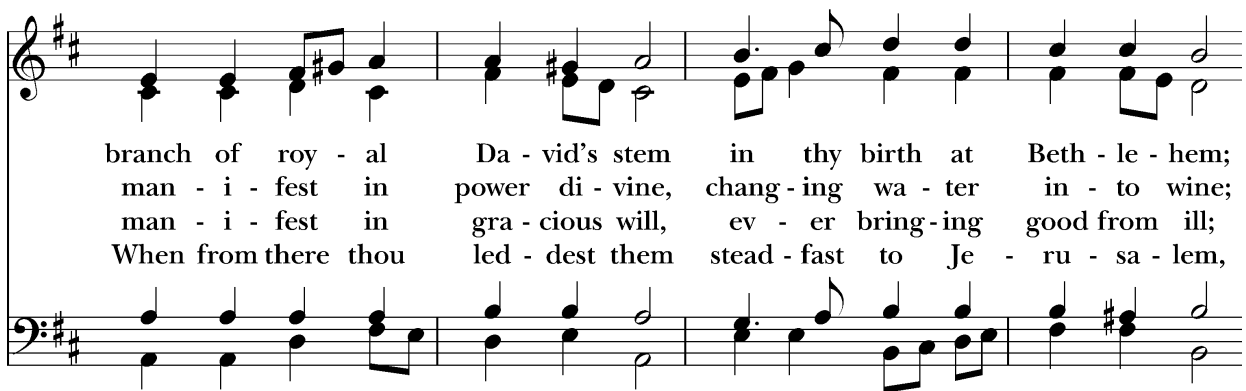
H 135 "Songs of thankfulness and praise" (Salzburg)



1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Jes - us, Lord, to thee we raise,
 2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Pro-phet, Priest, and King su - preme;
 3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;
 4 Man - i - fest on moun - tain height, shin - ing in re - splen - dent light,



man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far;
 and at Ca - na, wed - ding - guest, in thy God - head man - i - fest;
 man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell - ing all the dev - il's might;
 where dis - ci - ples filled with awe thy trans - fi - gured glo - ry saw.



branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem;
 man - i - fest in power di - vine, chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
 man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring - ing good from ill;
 When from there thou led - dest them stead - fast to Je - ru - sa - lem,



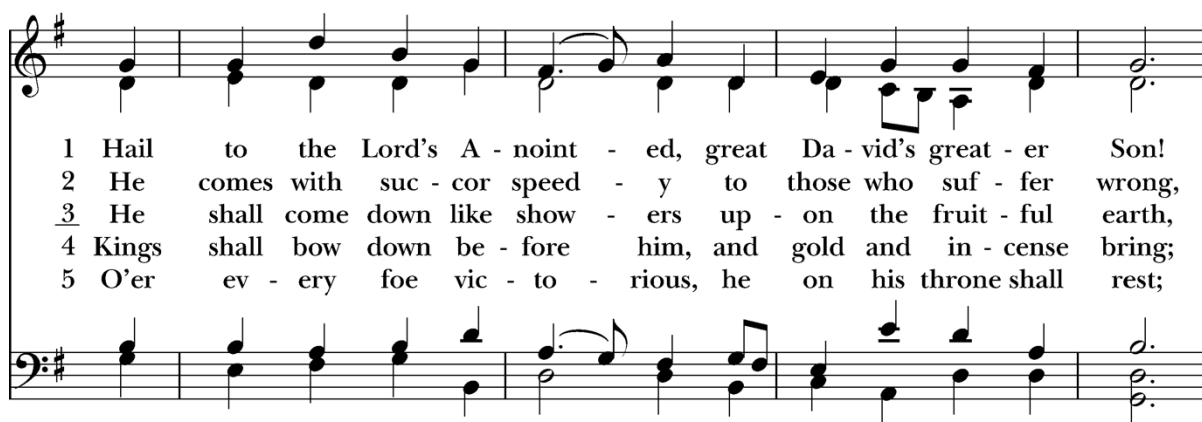
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H 121 Christ, when for us you were baptized (*Caithness*)

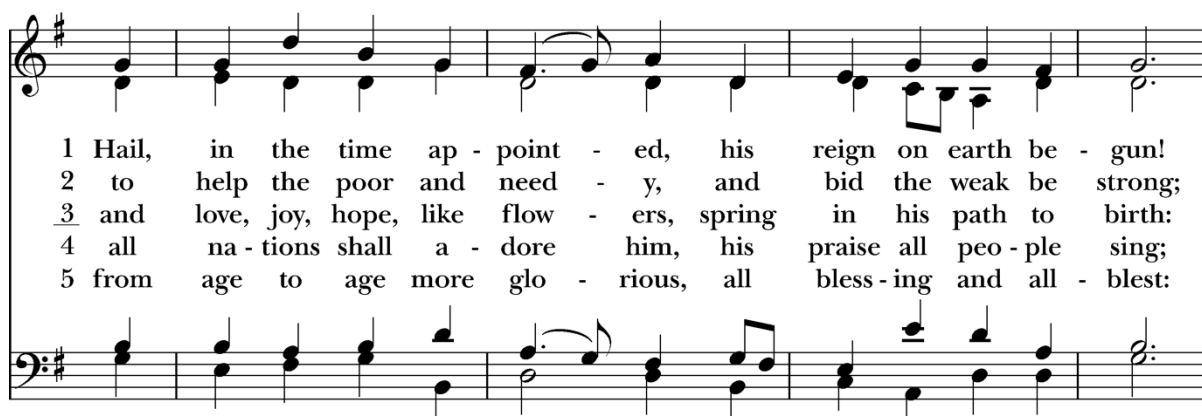
1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spi - rit on you came,
2 God called you his be - lov - ed Son, called you his ser - vant true,
3 Straight - way and stead-fast un - til death you then o - beyed his call
4 Bap - tize us with your Spi - rit, Lord, your cross on us be signed,

as peace - ful as a dove and yet as ur - gent as a flame.
sent you his king - dom to pro - claim, his ho - ly will to do.
free - ly as Son of Man to serve and give your life for all.
that, like - wise in God's ser - vice we may per - fect free - dom find.

H 616 "Hail to the Lord's anointed" (*Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein*)



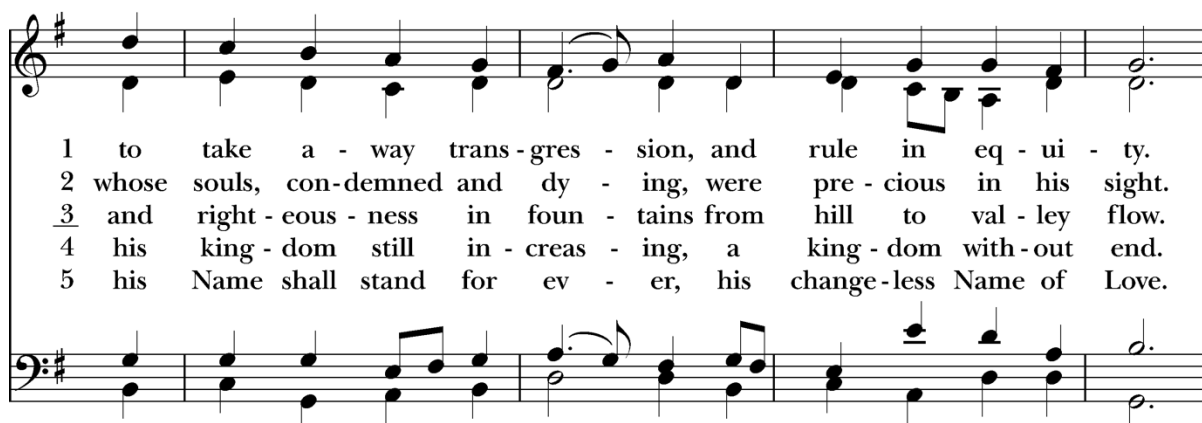
1 Hail to the Lord's A - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son!
 2 He comes with suc - cor speed - y to those who suf - fer wrong,
 3 He shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth,
 4 Kings shall bow down be - fore him, and gold and in - cense bring;
 5 O'er ev - ery foe vic - to - rious, he on his throne shall rest;



1 Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, his reign on earth be - gun!
 2 to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong;
 3 and love, joy, hope, like flow - ers, spring in his path to birth:
 4 all na - tions shall a - dore him, his praise all peo - ple sing;
 5 from age to age more glo - rious, all bless - ing and all - blest:



1 He comes to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive free;
 2 to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to light,
 3 be - fore him on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald, go;
 4 to him shall prayer un - ceas - ing and dai - ly vows a - scend;
 5 the tide of time shall nev - er his cov - e - nant re - move;



1 to take a - way trans - gres - sion, and rule in eq - ui - ty.
 2 whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, were pre - cious in his sight.
 3 and right - eous - ness in foun - tains from hill to val - ley flow.
 4 his king - dom still in - creas - ing, a king - dom with - out end.
 5 his Name shall stand for ev - er, his change - less Name of Love.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 8, 2023

You will also find these announcements on our website: www.churchofstmartin.org

Today! First Sunday Intergenerational Service at 10:00am and Godly Play Schedule

Today is our "First Sunday" intergenerational service at 10:00am. This is a more informal, more interactive service for kids and all ages. Starting this year, we will hold **Godly Play three times a month – the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sundays – during the 10:00am service**, with the first Sunday of the month designated as a "First Sunday" intergenerational service. This month, we have a slight shift in the schedule due to the New Year's holiday. After our "**First Sunday**" intergenerational service on **January 8**, we'll have **Godly Play on January 15, 22, and 29**. If you have children but have not joined us in Godly Play, we would love to see you! For questions, contact the church office (info@churchofstmartin.org) or Sheri Reynolds.

The Nursery is Open

The nursery is open on Sundays from 9:30 - 11:30am. We invite parents to bring infants through age 5 to Room 2, where our nursery care staff will welcome you and answer any questions you may have. If you'd like to come take a look at the nursery anytime, just let us know. For questions, you can also talk to Rev. Pamela—and don't worry, children of all ages are always welcome in church!

Next Saturday! Spirituality in Nature Gathering, January 14

Join us for our third monthly Spirituality in Nature Gathering (SING!), on Saturday, January 14 at 10am for a gentle, 60-minute hike here in Davis. Those who wish may want to head to a nearby coffee shop for a conversation afterward. 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 will be a "rain or shine" event**, and if appropriate we'll talk about what it means to experience nature during dreary or challenging weather. If you're worried about accessibility or the cost of coffee/lunch, please be in touch with Rev. Pamela. **Contact the office for information or to let us know you're interested so we can share meet-up details with you!**

Epiphany Season Continues

Stick around after the 10 o'clock service on January 15 to "chalk the doors," an Epiphany tradition that you can incorporate in your own home. 'Tis the season for house blessings, too! And save the date for two more winter feast days: we'll celebrate the Feast of St. Brigid with a special outdoor activity on February 1, and recognize Candlemas at our "First Sunday" service on February 5 (yes, Annual Meeting Sunday). Stay tuned for details.

Annual Meeting - Sunday, February 5 and Call for Convention Delegates

Save the date so that you can attend our annual meeting on Sunday, February 5 after the 10:00am service. Among other activities, we will elect Vestry members and Diocesan Convention delegates, as well as explain the 2023 budget.

If you are interested in being a nominee for convention delegate, please let the office know as soon as possible (info@churchofstmartin.org; 530-756-0444). Delegates attend a Saturday half-day, pre-convention convocation (usually offered on Zoom) and then the 2023 Diocesan Convention in person on November 3 - 4 at Faith Episcopal Church in Cameron Park.

Annual Meeting Reports due January 23

If you are a ministry leader (e.g., chair of a committee, commission or group), your annual meeting report is due via e-mail to the church office by Monday, January 23. Please submit reports as Word documents, if possible. These reports will go in a document available to all before the Annual meeting; all chairs of ministries and groups should submit a report. For questions, contact the office.

Upcoming Racial Reconciliation Workshops at Trinity Cathedral and St. Martin's

Saturday, January 21, Trinity Cathedral in Sacramento, 9:30am - 4:30pm

Register: <https://forms.gle/tAa9a3Wmij2e3PsL9>

Saturday, February 18, 2023, St. Martin's in Davis, 9:30am – 4:30pm

Register: <https://forms.gle/zRz2d3T6jfyAEVG59>

I Will, with God's Help: Journey Toward Racial Healing and Justice

This one-day, in-person workshop was specially developed for the Episcopal Diocese of Northern California by the Commission on Intercultural Ministries. Renew your Baptismal Covenant as we learn about forms of historic and contemporary racism and how to engage in ministry with sensitivity and respect for all. Please note that due to the nature of the program, attendance is limited to 30 participants. Attendance at this workshop fulfills the racial reconciliation requirement needed for certain ministries in the church. A lunch donation of \$10 (cash or check) on the day of workshop is requested.

Fundraiser for The Belfry—January 28, 4:00pm at St. Martin's!

Support The Belfry Campus Ministry by attending “Cheers to the Belfry,” a guided beer tasting led by UCD Professor Emeritus Charlie Bamforth and Anheuser-Busch Endowed Professor of Malting and Brewing Science Glen Fox. St. Martin's parishioners serve on the Belfry board, and this is our local campus ministry. Please consider whether you can support it by attending. The event will take place on Saturday, January 28 at 4:00pm at St. Martin's. \$50 per person. 21 and over only. To register, go to Eventbrite and search “Cheers to the Belfry.”

REVIVE! SIGN UP NOW for “Revive” on February 24 - 25 and throughout Lent 2023!

It's time to sign up to be part of a small group committed to helping our spiritual lives deepen, renew, and thrive. “Revive” is designed to give lay leaders the chance to be re-energized with new ideas and to learn about yourself and the God we all love and serve. The program begins with a retreat on **Friday, February 24** from 6 to 9pm and all day on **Saturday, February 25**, here at St. Martin's. After the retreat, the program meets on Wednesday evenings for six consecutive weeks. **Please call or email the church office by January 15** if you want to participate in the retreat—this does not obligate you to take the Wednesday night class. If you have questions, please reach out to Rev. Pamela. She'd love to talk with you about it!

A Stewardship Message

We extend a heartfelt thank-you to the 115 individuals and families who have already given us their pledge for 2023. **If you haven't pledged yet, it's not too late.** You can do so by filling out a pledge card (available in the narthex) and mailing or bringing it to the church office, by putting it in the plate at church on Sunday, or by writing to our confidential stewardship e-mail (stewardship@churchofstmartin.org). Your pledge helps us plan as accurately as possible for 2023's budget and ministries. If you have questions about stewardship and pledging, you can reach out to a Vestry member. The office can help you connect. Thank you!

Help Needed with Coffee Hour Hospitality!!

Do you enjoy coffee, snacks and fellowship during coffee hour after the 10am service? Could you help host coffee hour? You can sign up on SignUp Genius for the date(s) you wish to host:

<https://stmartinsdavis.tiny.us/SundayVolunteers>. Tables will be put up for you in advance. We have 3 different sign-up slots for volunteers a) Make coffee and put items out on the coffee and snack tables starting at 9 or 9:15am; b) Bring snacks; c) Clean up after coffee hour (starting about 11:45am). Let's continue to have a great coffee hour, with everyone's help!

Note: We have a new sign-up link (above) for all Sunday ministry sign-ups. After going to the link, select the tab at the top for either Liturgical Ministers or Hospitality.

Readers, Ushers, EMs, Crucifers

We need an array of liturgical ministers every Sunday for worship at both the 8am and 10am services. We have a signup system for volunteers that allows you to pick the days and ministries in which you would like to volunteer. Here is the link: <https://stmartinsdavis.tiny.us/SundayVolunteers>

Encouraging All to Wear Name Tags

Now that we have returned 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.

Yolo County Masking Recommendations and Signage

Yolo County recommends that everyone two years of age and older wear a mask indoors this Winter as several respiratory viruses are spreading. The County also has new signage to reflect that masking recommendations are now based on combined respiratory virus levels rather than a single virus. While masking remains recommended only at St. Martin's, we have masks available for anyone who wants one (medical and KN95 masks). For more information from the County:

<https://www.yolocounty.org/Home/Components/News/News/13197/4918>

Upcoming Meeting Dates

Care for God's Creation: Monday, January 9 at 7:00pm

Worship Committee: Tuesday, January 10 at 5:00pm

Ministry Council: Thursday, January 12 at 10:00am, in person in the church library

Choir Practice: Thursday, January 12 at 7:00pm (in the church)

Buildings & Grounds: Friday, January 20 at 4:00pm

Vestry: Monday, January 23 at 7:00pm

Social Justice & Outreach: Tuesday, January 24 at 7:00pm

Meetings are on Zoom unless otherwise noted; for a link, please contact

communications@churchofstmartin.org. If you wish to schedule a meeting on the calendar, contact the church office info@churchofstmartin.org.

Rector's Office Hours - Wednesdays 4:00 - 5:00pm

Rev. Pamela holds office hours most weeks on Wednesday, 4:00 - 5:00 pm in the church library. **Her next office hours will be on Wednesday, January 11.** If you would like to meet with Pamela at a different time, just email her or contact the church office (info@churchofstmartin.org).

Parish Prayer List Requests

Do you have a prayer request? Please know that people you have placed on the Parish Prayer List are being prayed for. Please see the information on our website about how to make a prayer request (i.e., to have someone put on our written prayer list). You will also find other useful information, such as how long we keep people on the prayer list. On the website, scroll down to the section that says "Need Prayer?"

Church Office Hours

We are open in person Monday-Friday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. You can also reach the office by calling us at 530-756-0444 or sending an email to info@churchofstmartin.org.