



# THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN

ROOTED IN FAITH • GROWING IN HOPE • REACHING OUT IN LOVE

## Sunday, March 3, 2024 – Third Sunday in Lent Holy Eucharist Rite II at 10:00am

**SERVICE NOTES:** *We are glad you have joined us! If you are online:* We have posted a hymn insert, which also has other helpful information about attending online. *If you are in person:* The hymns can be found in the hymn book in the pew rack in front of you, with some of the service music printed within the text. Masks are optional at this time, but we want everyone to take whatever precautions they deem appropriate. We encourage you to sing and pray actively. Thank you and welcome!

### PRELUDE

“O man, lament your great sin”  
“O Lamb of God, slaughtered”

J.S. Bach

*The ministers enter in silence. Please stand as you are able.*

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Presider* Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.  
*People* **His mercy endures for ever.**

*Presider* Jesus said, “The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.”

### CONFESSION OF SIN *Please kneel or stand for the Confession.*

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may follow.*

*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.**

*All are invited to sing the Song of Praise. Please stand, as you are able.*

**SONG OF PRAISE** H 398 “I sing the mighty power of God” (*Forest Green*)

*In the Hymnal*

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Presider* God be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Let us pray.

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; 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.*

**Exodus 20:1-17**

A reading from the book of Exodus.

Then God spoke all these words:

I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. For six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

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

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM *Please join in reading Psalm 19.*

**1 The heavens declare your glory, O God, \*  
and the firmament shows your handiwork.**

**2 One day tells its tale to another, \*  
and one night imparts knowledge to another.**

**3 Although they have no words or language, \*  
and their voices are not heard,**

- 4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, \*  
and their message to the ends of the world.
- 5 In the deep you have set a pavilion for the sun; \*  
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;  
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens  
and runs about to the end of it again; \*  
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.
- 7 Your law, O God, is perfect and revives the soul; \*  
your testimony is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- 8 Your statutes are just and rejoice the heart; \*  
your commandment is clear and gives light to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of you is clean and endures for ever; \*  
your judgments are true and righteous altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, \*  
sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb.
- 11 By them also is your servant enlightened, \*  
and in keeping them there is great reward.
- 12 Who can tell how often one offends? \*  
Cleanse me from my secret faults.
- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;  
let them not get dominion over me; \*  
then shall I be whole and sound,  
and innocent of a great offense.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart  
be acceptable in your sight, \*  
O God, my strength and my redeemer.

## SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

A reading from the first letter to the church in Corinth.

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,  
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God’s foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God’s weakness is stronger than human strength.

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

*Please stand, as you are able.*

**SEQUENCE HYMN**

H 440 “Blessed Jesus, at thy word” (*Liebster Jesu*)

*In the Hymnal*

## GOSPEL

John 2:13-22

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

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

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

**GODLY PLAY STORY** "The Ten Best Ways"

**THE CREED** *Please stand, as you are able.*

**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 PEOPLE** *The Leader and the People pray responsively.*

Let us pray for the Church and the world.

*Leader* Creator Lord, you have given us eyes to see ourselves as we truly are and the heart to accept your free gift of grace. Fill us now with the courage to step forward in faith, to repent of our sins, and to turn the life we have been given to your guidance and your service.

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

*Leader* O God of mercy,

*People* **We now confess and begin again.**

*Leader* Creator Lord, impel the political leaders in our world, in our nation, and in our community, to rally to your call and forsake the temptations and vanity of power, and to govern with integrity, equity, and truth.

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

*Leader* O God of mercy,  
*People* **We now confess and begin again.**

*Leader* Creator Lord, fortify and energize all who are anointed to bring us your Word and Sacraments. As they shepherd us in faith, we walk together toward wholeness in you. We pray especially for our Bishop Megan, our Rector Pamela, our clergy, our staff, our vestry on retreat this weekend, and all the lay leaders of this church.

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

*Leader* O God of mercy,  
*People* **We now confess and begin again.**

*Leader* Creator Lord, sustain the faith and dispel the despair of all who are ill in body, mind, or spirit, and of all who attend to their needs. We now join our voices to pray aloud for all those in need, and especially those on our parish prayer list.

*(The deacon will share prayer requests and then invite the congregation to add their prayer requests).*

*Leader* O God of mercy,  
*People* **We now confess and begin again.**

*Leader* Creator Lord, lift us from our grief into the hope of eternal life and joy, reunited with all who now live again in glory with you.

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

*Leader* O God of mercy,  
*People* **We now confess and begin again.**

*Presider* O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## **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 with sensitivity to those who wish to maintain physical distance.*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Please see the announcement insert, and feel free to take this bulletin home with you. If you do not currently receive an email from us with current news and events, please reach out to [info@churchofstmartin.org](mailto:info@churchofstmartin.org).*

## **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 SENTENCE**

*Presider* Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

## 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 Pop Up Choir.*

I'm sorry. Please forgive me;  
I forgive you; I thank you.  
I wish you blessings on your journey

## 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 God thanks and praise.**

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

*People* **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

*Presider* At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

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

*Presider* From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

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

*Presider* Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

*People* **By his blood, he reconciled us.**

**By his wounds, we are healed.**

*The Presider continues*

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

**SANCTUS** *Please join in saying*

**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

*The People stand or kneel. The Presider continues*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord. On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

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

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

*Presider and People*

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

*The Presider continues*

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers:

God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; Sarah, Rebecca, and Leah;

God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal.

Let the grace of this Holy Communion  
make us one body, one spirit in Christ,  
that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

*Presider and People*

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

*The Presider continues*

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

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

*People and Presider*

**Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,  
santificado sea tu Nombre,  
venga tu reino,  
hágase tu voluntad,  
en la tierra como en el cielo.  
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.  
Perdona nuestras ofensas,  
como también nosotros perdonamos a los  
que nos ofenden.  
No nos dejes caer en tentación  
y líbranos del mal.  
Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder,  
y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre.  
Amen.**

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever.  
Amen.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

## THE FRACTION ANTHEM

*Presider* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*All* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

*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. Come forward down the center aisle for Communion. Choose the station on the left for intinction by the priest or the station on the right to drink from the common cup. The customary response upon receiving Communion is "Amen." Crossing your arms over your chest indicates you would like a blessing instead of Communion.*

**COMMUNION MUSIC** Voices Found 97 "In deepest night" (*O Blessed Spring*)  
Hymnal 685 "Rock of ages" (*Toplady*)  
"Blessed Jesus, at Thy word"

*See p. 10*  
*In the Hymnal*  
G. Walker

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER** *Please stand as you are able.*

*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 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 for ever. Amen.**

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

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; 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** Hymnal 470 "There's a wideness in God's mercy" (*Beecher*)

*In the Hymnal.*

## DISMISSAL

*Deacon* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*The People depart in silence.*

## 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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**Voices Found 97 “In deepest night” (*O Blessed Spring*)**

1 In deep - est night, in dark - est days, when harps are hung, no  
 2 When friend was lost, when love de - ceived, dear Je - sus wept, God  
 3 When through the wa - ters winds our path, a - round us pain, a -

songs we raise, when si - lence must suf - fice as praise, yet  
 was be - reaved; so with us in our grief God grieves, and  
 round us death: deep calls to deep, a sav - ing breath, and

1, 2 3  
 sound - ing in us qui - et - ly there is the song of God.  
 round a - bout us mourn - ful - ly there are the tears of God.  
 found be - side us faith - ful - ly there is the love of God.

1, 2 3

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## HOLY WEEK AND EASTER



### **PALM SUNDAY**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 24**

**8AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE, 9-10AM DONKEY VISIT  
10AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE\***



### **MAUNDY THURSDAY**

**THURSDAY, MARCH 28**

**7PM WORSHIP SERVICE WITH COMMUNION\* AND  
OPTIONAL FOOT WASHING**



### **GOOD FRIDAY**

**FRIDAY, MARCH 29**

**12PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS SERVICE  
7PM GOOD FRIDAY PROPER LITURGY\***



### **HOLY SATURDAY**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 30**

**8PM GREAT VIGIL WORSHIP SERVICE\***



### **EASTER SUNDAY**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 31**

**8AM & 10AM\* CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP  
EGG HUNT AFTER 10AM SERVICE**

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