



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN

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Sunday, April 7, 2024 – Second Sunday of Easter 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 Hymnal in the pew rack in front of you, with some of the service music printed within the text. We encourage you to sing and pray actively. Welcome!

PRELUDE “Prelude and Fugue on *Christ lay in death’s bonds*” G. Böhm

Please stand, as you are able, and join in singing.

OPENING HYMN Hymnal 192 “This joyful Eastertide” (*Vreuchten*) *In the Hymnal*

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

All are invited to sing the Song of Praise.

SONG OF PRAISE H 205 “Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!” v. 1, 3, 5 (*Gelobt sei Gott*) *In the Hymnal*

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ’s Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; 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.*

Acts 4:32-35

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles’ feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Please join in reading Psalm 133.

- 1 **Oh, how good and pleasant it is, ***
when kindred live together in unity!
- 2 **It is like fine oil upon the head ***
that runs down upon the beard,
- 3 **Upon the beard of Aaron, ***
and runs down upon the collar of his robe.
- 4 **It is like the dew of Hermon ***
that falls upon the hills of Zion.
- 5 **For there has God ordained the blessing: ***
life for evermore.

SECOND READING

1 John 1:1-2:2

A reading from the first letter of John.

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life-- this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us-- we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN H 209 "We walk by faith and not by sight," v. 1 and 2 (*St. Botolph*) *In the Hymnal*

GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

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

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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

THE SERMON *Silence is kept after the sermon.*
The sermon today was written by Bishop Megan Traquair for the Second Sunday of Easter.

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 PEOPLE *The Leader and the People pray responsively.*

Deacon Let us pray for the Church and the world.

Leader Holy Jesus, Anointed One, by your grace we are able to see your living presence through the willing eyes of our souls. Even as we acknowledge our moments of doubt, grant us the faith to follow your word and witness to everlasting life in your name. We pray especially for Bishop Megan, our parish clergy, our staff, and all the lay leaders of this church.

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

Leader Alleluia, Christ is risen.
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Leader Holy Jesus, Anointed One, fill all those in positions of authority with the courage and humility necessary to triumph over the temptations of power and to govern with equity and reverence for all people and all creation. We pray especially for the President and Congress of the United States, the Governor of California, and our city and county officials.

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

Leader Alleluia, Christ is risen.
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Leader Holy Jesus, Anointed One, restore wholeness to all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, and refresh the energy of those who give them care. We now join together to pray for those in need, especially those on our parish prayer list.

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

Leader Alleluia, Christ is risen.
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Leader Holy Jesus, Anointed One, we pause in this moment to offer you our heartfelt thanksgiving for all the blessings of this life. With thankful hearts we pray especially for the members of this church who made our Holy Week and Easter services possible through their generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure.

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

Leader Alleluia, Christ is risen.
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Leader Holy Jesus, Anointed One, you have broken the power of earthly death. Now bring light to the darkness of those who grieve, as all of heaven is alive with joy, receiving all those we love into eternal bliss.

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

Leader Alleluia, Christ is risen.
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Presider Lord God in Christ, who was and is and is to come, release us from the limits of our anxious minds and in so doing free souls to seek our fulfilment in you. We ask all this through the wisdom of the Holy Spirit, and the unwavering love of our Creator, who together with you reign as One God, in glory everlasting. **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, 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.

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. Thank you!

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Sung by the Pop-up Choir*

OFFERTORY RESPONSE (*Franconia*) *Please stand, as you are able, and 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

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

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

SANCTUS WLP 854 *Presider and People*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san-na in the
high-est. San - to, san - to, san - to es el Se -
ñor. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na en el
cie - lo. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na en el cie - lo.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The People stand or kneel. The Presider continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Presider and People

Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!

The Presider continues

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed Martin all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Presider and People

Blessed are you 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. 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 HYMN Hymnal 488 "Be thou my vision" (*Slane*)

In the Hymnal

Hymnal 318 "Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face" (*Nyack*)

In the Hymnal

EUCCHARISTIC VISITOR SENDING PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

Deacon We send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those whom you visit will share in Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

Deacon Our prayers go with you.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Please stand as you are able.

Presider Let us pray.

Presider and People

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, make you perfect in every good work to do his will; 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 490 "I want to walk as a child of the light" (*Houston*)

In the Hymnal

DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the Name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

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

POSTLUDE "Great is the Lord!"

M. W. Smith

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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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