



# THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN

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## Sunday, June 16, 2024 – Fourth Sunday after Pentecost 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

“Ave Maria”

M. E. Bossi

“Chant”

“Elévation”

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

**OPENING HYMN** “Almighty God, your word is cast” (*Forest Green*)

Almighty God, your word is cast like seed upon the ground;  
Now let the dew of heav’n descend and righteous fruits abound.  
Let not our selfishness and hate this holy seed remove,  
But give it root in ev’ry heart to bring forth fruits of love.

Let not the world’s deceitful cares the rising plant destroy,  
But let it yield a hundredfold the fruits of peace and joy.  
Almighty God, your word is cast like seed upon the ground;  
Now let the dew of heav’n descend and righteous fruits abound.

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Presider* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

*Presider* 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 H 380** “From all that dwell below the skies,” v. 1&3 (*Old 100<sup>th</sup>*)

*In the Hymnal*

### COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

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

*Presider* Let us pray.

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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

**1 Samuel 15:34-16:13**

A reading from the first book of Samuel.

Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the LORD was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel.

The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the LORD." But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

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

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

**PSALM**

Please join in reading Psalm 20.

- 1 May the Most High answer you in the day of trouble, \*  
the Name of the God of Jacob defend you;**
- 2 Send you help from the holy place \*  
and strengthen you out of Zion;**
- 3 Remember all your offerings \*  
and accept your burnt sacrifice;**
- 4 Grant you your heart's desire \*  
and prosper all your plans.**
- 5 We will shout for joy at your victory  
and triumph in the Name of our God; \*  
may the Most High grant all your requests.**

- 6 Now I know that God gives victory to the anointed one; \*  
 out of the holy heaven God will answer,  
 with a strong and victorious right hand.
- 7 Some put their trust in chariots and some in horses, \*  
 but we will call upon the Name of our God.
- 8 They collapse and fall down, \*  
 but we will arise and stand upright.
- 9 O God, give victory to our sovereign, \*  
 and answer us when we call.

**SECOND READING**

**2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17**

A reading from the second letter to the Corinthians.

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

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

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

**SEQUENCE HYMN VF 63** "Spirit of God, unseen" (*Skye Boat Song*)

*All may join in singing.*

Spi-rit of God, un-seen as the wind, gen-tle as is the dove:

1. 2. | last time  
 Fine

teach us the truth and help us be-lieve, show us the Sa-viour's love! love!

1 You spoke to us long, long a-go, gave us the writ-ten word;  
 2 With-out your help we fail our Lord, we can-not live his way;

D.C.

we read it still, need-ing its truth, through it God's voice is heard.  
 we need your power, we need your strength, fol-low-ing Christ each day.

## GOSPEL

Mark 4:26-34

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

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

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

*Deacon* In peace and with courage, let us pray to the Lord.

*Leader* God of Relationship, you come to us as three-in-one and one-in-three, reaching each of us where we are. Empower the leaders of our church to counteract cultural norms of fear, abuse, and disdain for those who are different, instead rejoicing in the gift of our diversity. Let this Pride Month be a time to expand our hospitality, to speak out against injustice, and to become bold change makers.

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

*Leader* Eternal Creator, in your wisdom and grace,  
*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* God of Ruth and Naomi, you bring us out of our homelands into new and unknown realities. You are determined to accompany us, never leaving us alone. As people around the world cross borders and boundaries to be with those they love, remind us all of our home in your family. We pray especially for those who are separated from their loved ones by distance, hostile borders, prison walls, or estrangement, that they may be safely and joyfully reunited in this lifetime or in your kin-dom.

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

*Leader* Eternal Creator, in your wisdom and grace,  
*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* God of Joseph, you dress us in coats of many colors. Remind us of the beauty of our uniqueness and the belovedness of our bodies and of all creation. Give us new eyes to see each other and ourselves as you see us, holy and whole. We pray especially for those who are discerning and discovering who they are and who they are becoming, that your love would guide their way.

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

*Leader* Eternal Creator, in your wisdom and grace,  
*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* God of Rahab and of Esther, you have called us to act in times of crisis and civil unrest. Embolden us—even when we are afraid, even when we do not have confidence in our own power—to move courageously toward the world we know is possible. We thank you for the leaders, activists, prophets, teachers, mentors, artists, and architects of liberation—those who have seen the fruits of their labor and those who need us to continue the work.

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

*Leader* Eternal Creator, in your wisdom and grace,  
*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* God of the unnamed, you know and love each of your children, whether their names and struggles are known to us. We long to care for those who suffer in silence, unwilling or unable to seek help. Inspire us to reach beyond ourselves to invite all our neighbors into the family of God. We pray especially for those on our parish prayer list.

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

*Leader* Eternal Creator, in your wisdom and grace,  
*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Leader* God of Mary, Martha, and Lazarus, you draw us out of death into life. Free us from the bondage of fear, that we might fully live as your beloved children. We pray especially for those we love who have died, whose absence is keenly felt. We know they will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.

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

*Leader* Eternal Creator, in your wisdom and grace,  
*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Presider* 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.**

**CONFESSION OF SIN** *Please stand or kneel as you are able.*

*The Deacon says* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *(We pause for silent reflection).*

### *Presider 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.**

### **ABSOLUTION**      *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, 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. Thank you!*

### *Sung by the Summer Sunday Choir*

### **OFFERTORY ANTHEM**      “I Know My Faith is Founded” (*Nun Lob, mein Seel; arr. M. Schweitzer*)

I know my faith is founded / On Jesus Christ, my God and Lord;  
And this my faith confessing / Unmoved I stand on His sure Word.  
Our reason cannot fathom / The truth of God profound; / Who trusts in human wisdom / Relies on shifting ground.  
God’s word is all sufficient, it makes divinely sure / And trusting in its wisdom, / My faith shall rest secure.  
Increase my faith, dear Savior, / For Satan seeks by night and day  
To rob me of this treasure / And take my hope of bliss away.  
But Lord, with you beside me, / I shall be undismayed. And led by your good Spirit, / I shall be unafraid.  
Abide with me, O Savior / I firmer faith bestow; Then I shall bid defiance to every evil foe.  
In faith, Lord, let me serve You; / Though persecution, grief, and pain  
Should seek to overwhelm me, / Let me a steadfast trust retain;  
And then at my departure, take me home to you, / And let me there inherit / As all you said holds true.  
In life and death, Lord, keep me / Until your heav’n I gain, / Where with your great mercy / The end of faith attain.

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

### **OFFERTORY RESPONSE** (*Franconia*)

**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* God 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*

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

### *Please join in singing*

#### SANCTUS WLP 858 "Holy, Holy, Holy" (*Land of Rest*)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. \* Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the



**WORDS OF INSTITUTION** *The People stand or kneel. The Presider continues*

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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

**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**     **H 302** "Father, we thank thee who has planted" (*Rendez á Dieu*)     *In the Hymnal*  
   **WLP 760** "O wheat, whose crushing was for bread" (*New Life*)     *On page 11*

## 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*

**God of abundance,**

**you have fed us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation;**

**you have united us with Christ and one another,**

**and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.**

**Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,**

**that we may proclaim your redeeming love in the world**

**and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

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

May the Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, giving you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and to proclaim the wonderful works of God; 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 209** "We walk by faith and not by sight" (*St. Botolph*)     *In the Hymnal*

## DISMISSAL

*Deacon*     Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People*     **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE**     "Gott der Vater, wohn uns bei"     M. Luther/ S. Scheidt  
   "(God the Father, be our Stay)"

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Wonder, Love, and Praise 760 "O wheat, whose crushing was for bread" (*New Life*)

1. O wheat, whose crush - ing was for bread, O  
 2. O fruit whose crush - ing was for wine, O  
 3. O life whose crush - ing was for love, O

bread whose break - ing is for life, O life, your seem - ing end is  
 wine whose flow - ing is for blood, O blood, your pour - ing out is  
 love whose spend - ing was to death, O death, your mourn - ing is our

seed, a seed for wheat, our bread and life.  
 life, our life in you, O fruit - ful vine.  
 joy, full joy and birth to last - ing life.

Words: Delores Dufner, OSB (b. 1939). Music: *New Life*, Shirley W. McRae (b. 1933).