# THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN

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# Sunday, September 8, 2024 – Sixteenth 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 "La Grâce" G.P. Tellemann

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

**OPENING HYMN H 412** "Earth and all stars" (*Earth and All Stars*)

In the Hymnal

### **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

Presider This is the day the Creator has made.
People Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

All are invited to sing the Song of Praise.

**SONG OF PRAISE** MHSO 131, v. 1, 3 "We are a part of all creation" (M. Haugen) On page 10

### COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

God of unchangeable power, when you fashioned the world the morning stars sang together and the host of heaven shouted for joy; open our eyes to the wonders of creation and teach us to use all things for good, to the honor of your glorious name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

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

Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23

A reading from the book of Proverbs.

A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, and favor is better than silver or gold. The rich and the poor have this in common: the Lord is the maker of them all. Whoever sows injustice will reap calamity, and the rod of anger will fail. Those who are generous are blessed, for they share their bread with the poor. Do not rob the poor because they are poor, or crush the afflicted at the gate; for the Lord pleads their cause and despoils of life those who despoil them.

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

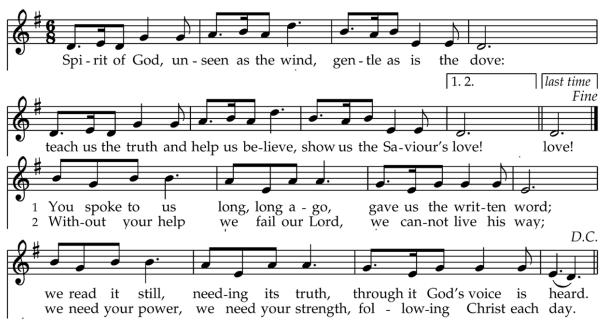
People Thanks be to God.

# **PSALM** Please join in singing Psalm 125.



- 1 They who trust in God are like Mount **Zion**, \* which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever.
- 2 The hills stand about Jer<u>usalem;</u> \* so does God stand round about the people, from this time forth for ever<u>more</u>.
- 3 The scepter of the wicked shall not hold sway over the land allotted to the <u>just</u>, \* so that the just shall not put their hands to <u>evil</u>.
- 4 Show your goodness, O God, to those who are good \* and to those who are true of heart.
- †5 As for those who turn aside to crooked ways, God will lead them away with the evildoers; \* but peace be upon <u>Israel</u>.

# **SEQUENCE HYMN** VF **53** "Spirit of God" (*Skye Boat Song*)



GOSPEL Mark 7:24-37

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately

heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophoenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

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 Blessed God, whose love calls the whole creation into covenant with you, and who puts in our

hands responsibility for the care of the earth and its creatures: we pray for all to whom you have

given life and being.

Leader Eternal God: We thank you for the beauty of the world: for the teeming life of the seas, the flight

of birds, and the diversity of animal life. Grant us grace to treat Creation with respect and care; to protect endangered species, to preserve the variety of habitats, and to honor the delicate balance

of nature. (We pause, making space for prayers to be offered silently or aloud.)

Leader God, giver or life,
All Hear our prayer.

Leader We thank you for the wealth of blessings from land and sea; for the power of

wind, and the warmth of sun. We pray for the nations of the earth, that you will give us the will

to cherish this planet and to use its resources sustainably for the welfare of all.

(We pause, making space for prayers to be offered silently or aloud.)

Leader God, giver of life, All Hear our prayer.

Leader We pray for the faithful witness of the Church, called to reconcile and heal. For Michael, our

Presiding Bishop; Sean, our Presiding Bishop-Elect, and Megan, our Bishop; and also for this

parish and our clergy, Pamela, Ernie, and Margaret.

(We pause, making space for prayers to be offered silently or aloud.)

Leader God, giver of life, All Hear our prayer.

Leader We pray for the human family. By the power of your Spirit, restore your image within us. As

every human being is known and loved by you, may we care for one another with love and respect. We pray for those you have commended to our care and especially those on our parish prayer list. (*The deacon will share prayer requests and then invite the congregation to share* 

their own prayer requests, either silently or aloud.)

Leader God, giver of life, All Hear our prayer.

Leader We pray for those who have died, whom we entrust to your eternal love; may we support and

comfort those who mourn. (We pause, making space for prayers to be offered silently or aloud.)

Leader God, giver of life, All Hear our prayer.

*Presider* Gracious God, the air sings with songs of glory, water flashes silver with creation, and the forests bloom with leaves for healing nations. May your light and love fill our hearts and souls and minds, that we may share your abundant grace with the world. **Amen.** 

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

The Deacon says Let us confess our sins against God and God's creation. (We pause for silent reflection.)

### Presider and People

God of compassion, have mercy upon us. Heal our relationship with all creation. Forgive us for our mistreatment and neglect of the creatures who share the earth with us. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent for what we have done to harm them, and for what we have not done to help them. Fill us with your Spirit, that we may care for one another and for all creatures, according to your will and in the fullness of your love; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. 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* Peace with yourself. Peace with Creation. Peace with one another.

The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

We greet one another in the name of the Lord.

### **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 <u>info@churchofstmartin.org</u>.

# 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** "All are welcome" Marty Haugen Sung by the Choir

Let us build a house where love can dwell / and all can safely live.

A place where saints and children tell / how hearts learn to forgive.

Built of hopes and dreams and visions / rock of faith and vault of grace,

Here the love of Christ shall end divisions: / All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak / and words are strong and true,

Where all God's children dare to seek / to dream God's reign anew.

Here the cross shall stand as witness / and a symbol of God's grace

Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: / All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where love is found / in water, wine and wheat

A banquet hall on holy ground / where peace and justice meet

Here the love of God, through Jesus / is revealed in time and space

As we share in Christ the feast that frees us: / All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where hands will reach / beyond the wood and stone,

To heal and strengthen, serve and teach / and live the Word they've known.

Here the outcast and the stranger / bear the image of God's face,

Let us bring an end to fear and danger: / All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where all are named, / their songs and visions heard

And loved and treasured, taught and claimed / as words within the Word.

Built of tears and cries and laughter, / prayers of faith and vault of grace,

Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: / All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

# **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 Creator be with you.

And also with you.

Presider Lift up your hearts.

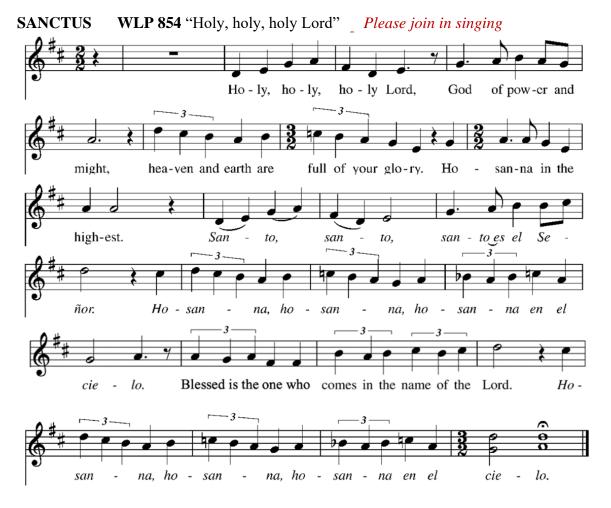
People We lift them up to the God who made us.

Presider Let us give thanks to our loving God.

People It is right to give God 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:



# 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,)

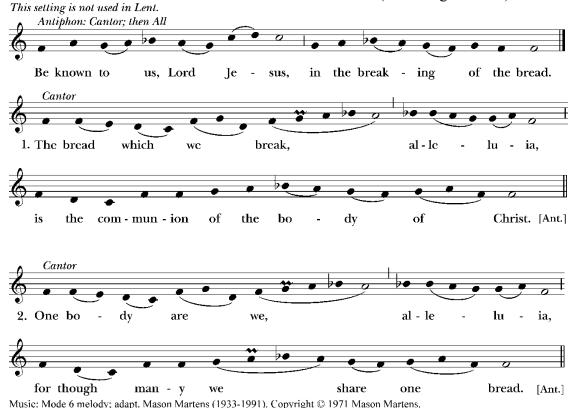
Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,
santificado sea tu Nombre,
venga tu reino,
hágase tu voluntad,
en la tierra como en el cielo.
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.
Perdona nuestras ofensas,
como también nosotros perdonamos a los
que nos ofenden.
No nos dejes caer en tentación
y líbranos del mal.
Porque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

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

Amen.

# **THE FRACTION ANTHEM S 171** "Be known to us" (Plainsong/Martens)



### 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 HYMNS** WLP 772 "O Christ, the healer" (*Kedron*) On page 11 On page 12

**VF 94** "In boldness look to God for help" (*Morning Song*)

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

Presider Let us pray.

# Presider and People

Holy One, you feed us with bread from heaven and the gifts of mother earth.

In this communion, you have drawn us into your embrace

and you call us to friendship with one another.

You have given us the gift of reconciliation.

May we who have tasted that gift from you

offer ourselves in peace and humility to one another.

And may you always walk among us as friend. Amen.

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

Go forth now to care for God's world. Use resources wisely. Share your knowledge. Sacrifice where necessary. Live in harmony with all creation. Go out into all the world as prophets of a new way of living and preach the good news to all. And the blessing of the Creator God, the Risen Son, and the Promised Holy Spirit bless you that you might be a blessing to others today and always. Amen.

**CLOSING HYMN H 427** "When morning gilds the skies" (*Laudes Domini*) In the Hymnal

### **DISMISSAL**

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God. People

**POSTLUDE** "Te Deum" Marc-Antoine Charpentier

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Wonder, Love, and Praise 772 "O Christ, the healer" (Kedron)





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