The Episcopal Church of St. Martin

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

Taizé Worship Service
Sunday, November 8, 2026 at 6:30pm

GATHERING SONGS **#15** ***Lord Jesus Christ***

#31 ***With you Oh Lord***

COLLECT

Leader O God, by your Holy Spirit you give to some the word of wisdom, to others the word of knowledge, and to others the word of faith: We praise your Name for the gifts of grace manifested in us, and we pray that your Church may never be destitute of such gifts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

PSALM 34 *Please join in reading Psalm 34 responsively by half verse*

1 I will bless God at all times,*
and praise shall ever be in my mouth.

2 I will glory in the Most High;*
let the humble hear and rejoice.

3 Proclaim with me the greatness of God;*
let us exalt God's Name together.

4 I sought, and God answered me*
and delivered me out of all my terror.

5 Look upon the Most High and be radiant,*
and let not your faces be ashamed.

6 I called in my affliction, and God heard me*
and saved me from all my troubles.

7 The angels encompass those who fear God,*
and God will deliver them.

8 Taste and see that God is good;*
happy are they who trust in the Most High!

9 Fear the Most High, you that are God's saints,*
for those who fear God lack nothing.

10 The young lions lack and suffer hunger,*
but those who seek God lack nothing that is good.

11 Come, children, and listen to me;*
I will teach you the fear of God.

12 Who among you loves life*
and desires long life to enjoy prosperity?

13 Keep your tongue from evil-speaking*
and your lips from lying words.

14 Turn from evil and do good;*
seek peace and pursue it.

15 The eyes of God are upon the righteous,*
and the ears of God are open to their cry.

16 The face of God is against those who do evil,*
to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.

17 The righteous cry, and God hears them*
and delivers them from all their troubles.

18 God is near to the brokenhearted*
and will save those whose spirits are crushed.

19 Many are the troubles of the righteous,*
but God will deliver them out of them all.

20 God will keep safe all their bones;*
not one of them shall be broken.

21 Evil shall slay the wicked,*
and those who hate the righteous will be punished.

22 O God, you will ransom the life of your servants,*
and none will be punished who trust in you.

READING **Sirach 51:13-22**

Reader

13 While I was still young, before I went on my travels,
I sought wisdom openly in my prayer.
14 Before the temple I asked for her,
and I will search for her until the end.

15 From the first blossom to the ripening grape
my heart delighted in her;
my foot walked on the straight path;
from my youth I followed her steps.
16 I inclined my ear a little and received her,
and I found for myself much instruction.

17 I made progress in her;
to him who gives wisdom I will give glory.

18 For I resolved to live according to wisdom,
and I was zealous for the good,
and I shall never be disappointed.
19 My soul grappled with wisdom,
and in my conduct I was strict;
I spread out my hands to the heavens,
and lamented my ignorance of her.

20 I directed my soul to her,
and in purity I found her.
With her I gained understanding from the first;
therefore I will never be forsaken.

21 My heart was stirred to seek her;
therefore I have gained a prize possession.
22 The Lord gave me my tongue as a reward,
and I will praise him with it.

SONG **#32 *Your Word, O Lord***

SILENCE *Silence is kept while in meditation and prayer.*

Leader At this time, I invite all of you to join in several minutes of prayerful silence.

INTERCESSIONS

Leader Lord Christ, to whom would we go? You have the words of eternal life.
People **May your word enlighten us.**

Leader Lord Christ, you tell us: You are the salt of the earth.
People **May your word enlighten us.**

Leader Lord Christ, you tell us: Love your enemies.
People **May your word enlighten us.**

Leader Lord Christ, you tell us: Do good to those who hate you.
People **May your word enlighten us.**

Leader Lord Christ, you tell us: Be merciful.
People **May your word enlighten us.**

Leader Lord Christ, you tell us: Pray, ask, seek and you will find.
People **May your word enlighten us.**

Leader Lord Christ, you tell us: Seek first the Kingdom of God.
People **May your word enlighten us.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER
Leader: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now say:

People and Leader
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 for ever. Amen.

CLOSING PRAYER
Leader God Almighty, your wisdom includes an understanding of what is fair, what is true, what is right, and what is lasting. It extends to your creations, displaying complexity and multiplicity. We ask you to grant us such wisdom, that our labours may reflect your insight. Teach us to discern your will and lead us in wisdom, patience, and righteousness.
People **Amen.**

CLOSING SONG **#10 *In the Lord I'll be ever thankful***

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