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# THE HOLY TRINITY



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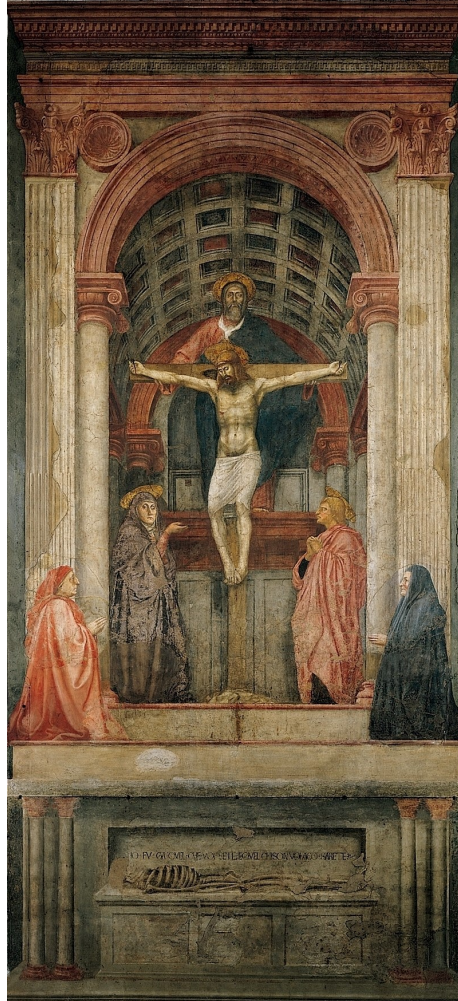
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# LOVE, SHARE, & SERVE BOLDLY.

*No matter where you find yourself on your faith journey — join us!*

*Here you have found a church home where believers congregate to encourage each other and grow spiritually in an abundant relationship with the Lord.*

*At St. Martin's, we promote and value an inclusive fellowship. Whether you are young, old, gay, straight, single, married, partnered — from all walks of life, backgrounds, and cultures — we welcome you!*



Masaccio, Holy Trinity, c. 1427, Fresco, Santa Maria Novella, Florence, Italy

## THE HOLY TRINITY

*When we say God is the triune God, we are saying something about who God is beyond, before, and after the universe: that there is community within God. Our experience of this is reflected in Paul's words today. When we pray to God as Jesus prayed to his Abba (an everyday, intimate parental address), the Spirit prays within us, creating between us and God the same relationship Jesus has with the one who sent him.*

# GATHERING SONG

# Come, All You People

Alexander Gondo

1. Come, all you peo-ple, come and praise the Most High; come, all you peo-ple,  
2. Come, all you peo-ple, come and praise the Sav - ior; come, all you peo-ple,  
3. Come, all you peo-ple, come and praise the Spir - it; come, all you peo-ple,

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come and praise the Most High;      come all you peo - ple,  
 come and praise the Sav - ior;      come all you peo - ple,  
 come and praise the Spir - it;      come all you peo - ple,

The first staff of music is written on a five-line treble clef. It begins with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody starts with a quarter note on G4, followed by an eighth note on A4, an eighth note on Bb4, and a quarter note on C5. This is followed by a quarter note on Bb4, an eighth note on A4, and an eighth note on G4. The next measure contains a quarter note on F4, a quarter note on E4, and a quarter note on D4. The final measure of the staff contains a quarter note on C4, a quarter note on Bb3, and a quarter note on A3. The staff ends with a double bar line.

come and praise the Most High;      come now and wor - ship the Lord.  
 come and praise the Sav - ior;      come now and wor - ship the Lord.  
 come and praise the Spir - it;      come now and wor - ship the Lord.

# GATHERING

# WELCOME

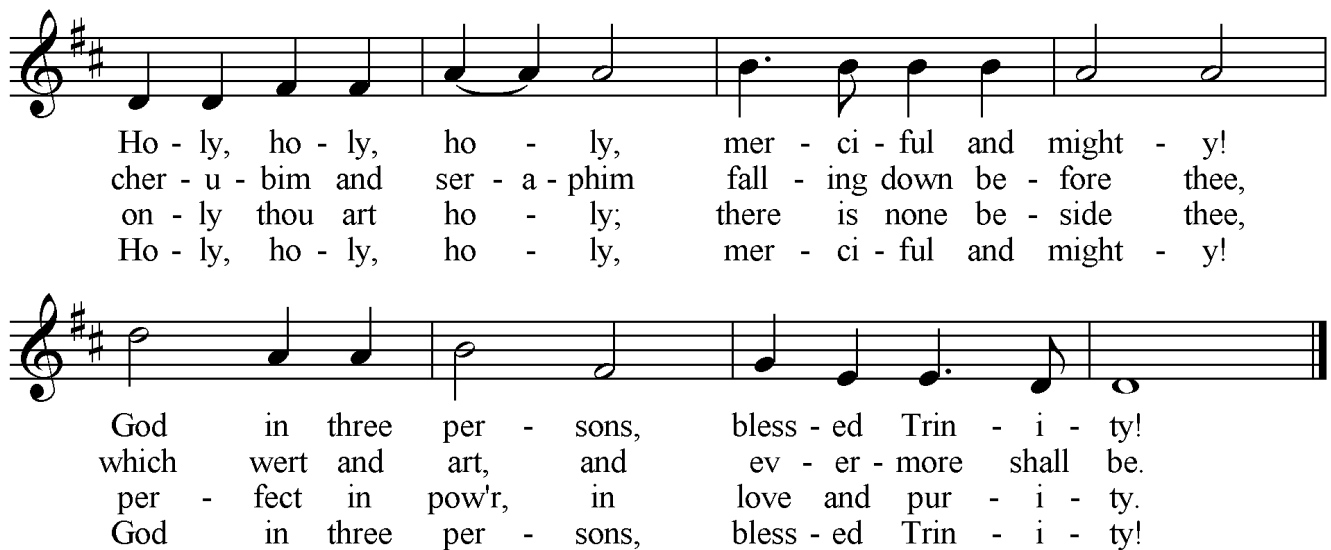
## GATHERING SONG

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

John B. Dykes

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord— God Al - might - y!  
 2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,  
 3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark-ness hide thee,  
 4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord— God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.  
 cast - ing down their gol - den crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
 though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,  
 All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.



## GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

## CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

## WORD

## GOSPEL

**John 3:1-17**

The good news from God, according to John.

<sup>1</sup>Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.”

<sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?”

<sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. <sup>6</sup>What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it

chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

<sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

<sup>11</sup>“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup>“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

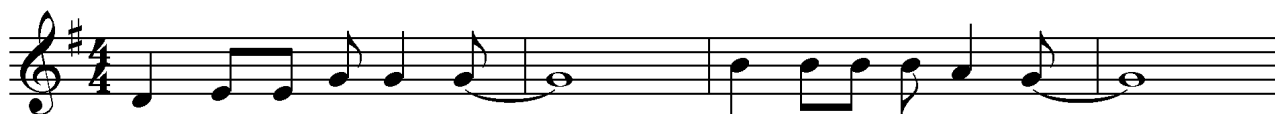
Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

*For additional devotion, you may wish to read and reflect on the rest of the assigned lectionary texts for the Seventh Sunday of Easter: Isaiah 6:1-8, Psalm 29, and Romans 8:12-17.*

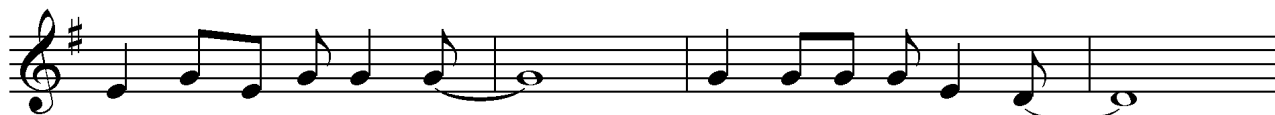
## SONG

This Little Light of Mine

African American spiritual



1. This	lit - tle	light of	mine,___	I'm	goin' a	let	it	shine;___
2. Ev -	'ry -	where I	go,___	I'm	goin' a	let	it	shine;___
3. Je -	sus	gave it	to me,___	I'm	goin' a	let	it	shine;___



this	lit - tle	light of	mine,___	I'm	goin'-a	let	it	shine;___
ev -	'ry -	where I	go,___	I'm	goin'-a	let	it	shine;___
Je -	sus	gave it	to me,___	I'm	goin'-a	let	it	shine;___





this lit - tle light of mine,\_\_\_ I'm goin'-a let it shine,\_\_\_  
 ev - 'ry - where I go,\_\_\_ I'm goin'-a let it shine,\_\_\_  
 Je - sus gave it to me,\_\_\_ I'm goin'-a let it shine,\_\_\_

let it shine,\_\_\_ let it shine,\_\_\_ let it shine.  
 let it shine,\_\_\_ let it shine,\_\_\_ let it shine.  
 let it shine,\_\_\_ let it shine,\_\_\_ let it shine.


## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### MESSAGE

### SONG

Come, Join the Dance of Trinity

English folk tune



1. Come, join the dance of Trin - i - ty, be - fore all worlds be - gun--  
 2. Come, see the face of Trin - i - ty, new - born in Beth - le - hem;  
 3. Come, speak a - loud of Trin - i - ty, as\_\_\_ wind and tongues of flame  
 4. With - in the dance of Trin - i - ty, be - fore all worlds be - gun,

the\_\_\_ in - ter-weav-ing of the Three, the\_\_\_ Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son.  
 then blood-ied by a crown of thorns out - side Je - ru - sa - lem.  
 set\_\_\_ peo - ple free at Pen - te - cost to\_\_\_ tell the Sav - ior's name.  
 we\_\_\_ sing the praise-es of the Three, the\_\_\_ Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son.

The\_\_\_ u - ni- verse of space and time did\_\_\_ not a - rise by chance,  
 The\_\_\_ dance of Trin - i - ty is meant for\_\_\_ hu- man flesh and bone;  
 We\_\_\_ know the yoke of sin and death, our\_\_\_ necks have worn it smooth;  
 Let\_\_\_ voic - es rise\_\_\_ and in - ter-weave, by\_\_\_ love and\_\_\_ hope set free,

but\_\_\_ as the Three, in\_\_\_ love and hope, made room with-in\_\_\_ their dance.  
 when fear con fines the\_\_\_ dance in death, God rolls a - way the stone.  
 go\_\_\_ tell the world of\_\_\_ weight and woe that\_\_\_ we are free to move!  
 to\_\_\_ shape in song this\_\_\_ joy, this life: the\_\_\_ dance of Trin - i - ty.

# AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

## *Presentation*

## *Profession of Faith*

*The presiding minister addresses those making public affirmation of baptism. The assembly may join in the responses.*

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

**I renounce them.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.**

### ***Affirmation***

*The minister addresses the assembly.*

People of God, do you promise to support these sisters and brothers and pray for them in their life in Christ?

**We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.**

*Those making public affirmation stand and face the assembly. The rite concludes with the pastor inviting the people into the closing acclamation.*

Let us rejoice with these sisters and brothers in Christ.

**We rejoice with you in the life of baptism.**

**Together we will give thanks and praise to God  
and proclaim the good news to all the world.**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

*If you have a prayer request to add to the prayer list, please email [prayer@saintmartins.org](mailto:prayer@saintmartins.org).*

## **SHARING THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

## **OFFERING TIME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

St. Martin's and its ministries are supported by our offerings of ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Now we give as God has so graciously given to us, all these things. **To donate, go to [saintmartins.org/giving](https://saintmartins.org/giving).**

*Find more information about our ministries at the end of the bulletin.*



## LORD'S PRAYER

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.

## SENDING

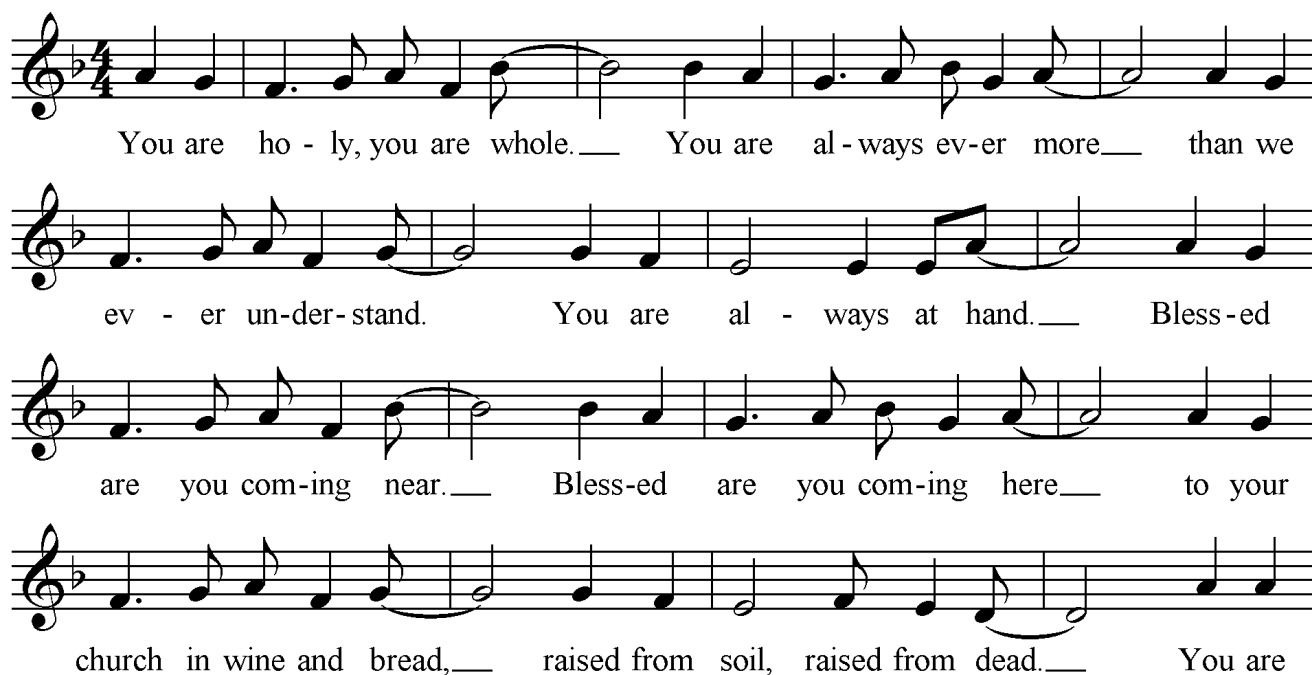
### PRAYER

### BLESSING

### SENDING SONG

You Are Holy

Per Harling



You are ho - ly, you are whole.\_\_\_\_ You are al - ways ev - er more\_\_\_\_ than we

ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.\_\_\_\_ Bless - ed

are you com - ing near.\_\_\_\_ Bless - ed are you com - ing here\_\_\_\_ to your

church in wine and bread,\_\_\_\_ raised from soil, raised from dead.\_\_\_\_ You are

ho - ly, you are whole ness, you are pres- ent. Let the  
cos - mos praise you, Lord! Sing ho - san - na in the  
high - est! Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

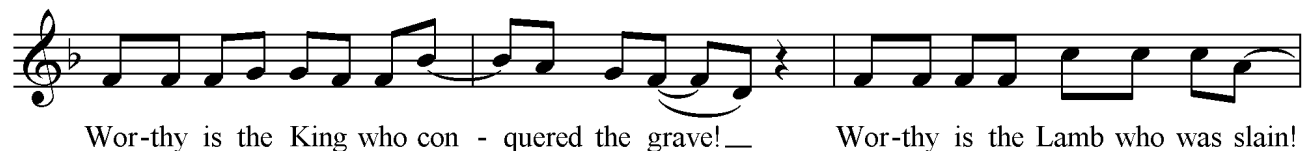
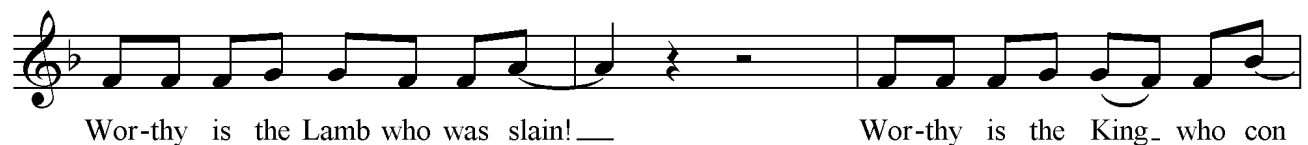
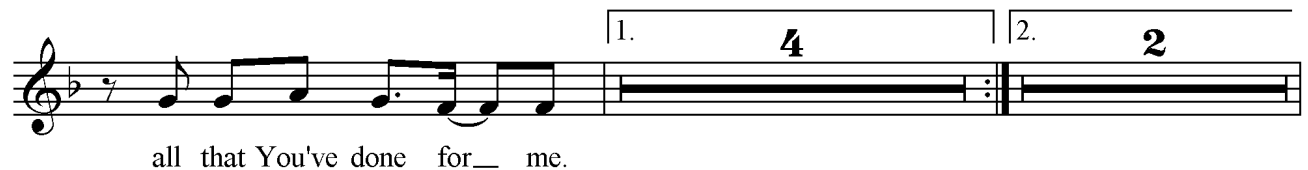
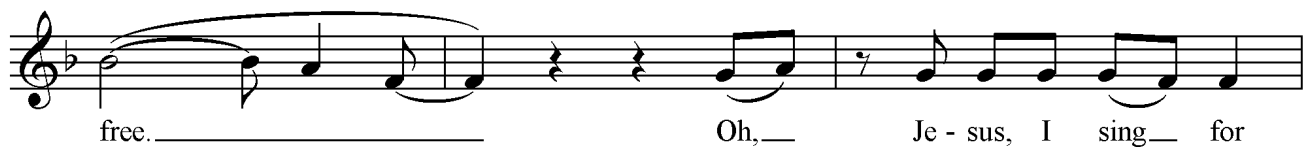
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## SENDING MUSIC

This Is Amazing Grace

Phil Wickham, Jeremy Riddle, and Josh Farro

1. Who breaks the pow - er of sin and dark ness, whose love is might - y  
3. Who brings our cha - os back in - to ord - er, who makes the or - phan  
and so much strong - er? The King of glo - ry, the King a - bove all kings.  
a son and daugh - ter? The King of glo - ry, the King of glo - ry.  
2. Who shakes the whole earth with ho - ly thun - der  
4. Who rules the na - tions with truth and jus - tice,  
and leaves us breath - less in awe and won - der?  
shines like the sun in all of its bril - liance?  
The King of glo - ry, the King a - bove all kings.  
The King of glo - ry, the King a - bove all kings.



that You would take my\_ place,\_\_\_ that You would bear my\_ cross.\_\_\_

You\_laid down Your life\_\_\_\_\_ that I would be\_\_ set free.\_\_\_\_\_

Oh,\_\_\_ Je- sus, I sing\_ for all that You've done for\_ me.

all that You've done for\_ me.\_\_\_\_

## SERVING TODAY

Pastor Ellen Williams	<i>preaching/presiding</i>
Cason Miller, Tom Blomquist	<i>assisting ministers</i>
Whitney Myers	<i>greeter</i>
Steve Wager	<i>praise force director</i>
Katherine Altobello O'Brien,	<i>praise force</i>
Andrew Fuhrman, Alvin Helge,	
Jameson James, Darin Layne,	
Tim O'Brien, Jenny Ohrstrom	
Jim Parkhurst	<i>sound</i>
Eddie Jennings	<i>video</i>

# ST. MARTIN'S PRAYERS

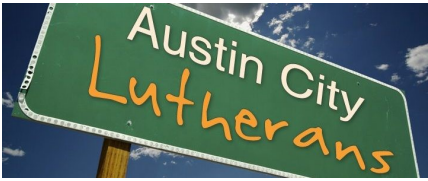
## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Leona Abrahamson; family and friends of Denis Berens; Trish Bloxom; Eddie Bull; family and friends of Bob Koch; family and friends of Morris Kostoff; Melissa McDaniel and family; family and friends of Elvira Pfluger; Robin Sandager; Henry Snyder; Tina Stonebarger; Zack Swenson.

## CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR

Terry Adcock; Nancy Anderson; Bob Aus; Gerry Berens; Emily Berggren; Patricia Byous; Lucas Drews; Vickie Dunlevy; Eleanor and Dave; Frank Ficarra; Sam Gourley; Dean Haynie; Leslie Heckmann; Karen Jaster; Ronnie Johnson; Peter Jordahl; Kara; Betty Klinefelter; Betsy Knauff; Arvid Larson; Pat Larson; Henry Ludwig; Doris McGaughy; David Pierce; Jeff Puskos; Lottie Smith; Betty Staehr; prayers for God's help, healing, strength, peace, guidance and direction for all during this time of transition at St. Martin's; prayers that all our St. Martin's members stay safe during this time of pandemic.

## MONTHLY BENEVOLENCE



St. Martins' May benevolence supports the work of Austin City Lutherans' Bread for All Food Pantry, which provides canned food, bread, and fresh produce at not cost to up to 125 families. The pantry is open Mondays from 5:00 – 6:30 pm at Faith Presbyterian Church, and the Mobile Food Pantry operates the second Monday of each month from 9:00 – 10:00 am at the Parker Lane United Methodist Church.

You can support Bread For All through donations of canned goods and diapers, by volunteering, or by giving through St. Martin's. To give, go to [www.saintmartins.org/giving](http://www.saintmartins.org/giving) and select "Bread For All" or send a check to St. Martin's with "Bread For All" in the memo line. To learn more about Bread For All, or to volunteer, go to [www.austincitylutherans.org/food](http://www.austincitylutherans.org/food). Follow along on Facebook @austincitylutherans.

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## EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **St. Martin's Preschool Open House | Saturday, June 5th from 12—2 pm**

St. Martin's Preschool is hosting an open house for prospective families. We will tour the center, answer parent questions, and offer registration for the '21-'22 school year, which begins August 30th. Email [preschool@saintmartins.org](mailto:preschool@saintmartins.org) or go to [www.saintmartins.org/preschool](http://www.saintmartins.org/preschool) to learn more about our school!

### **Regathering at St. Martin's | Sunday, June 6th at 10:00 am**

We will resume in-person worship together in the Sanctuary at 10:00 am. We ask that all attendees maintain social distancing, wear masks, and sanitize hands before entering. Services will continue to be live-streamed through our Facebook page and YouTube channel. **Register for our upcoming in-person worship services here:** <https://e.onrealm.org/events>  
For instructions, check out our "How To Register" guide at [www.saintmartins.org](http://www.saintmartins.org).

### **Polkas & Picnics in the Park! | Sunday, June 13, 6:00—7:30 pm**

Gather with your St. Martin's family for a special evening of polkas and picnics in the park! Reunite with friends and meet other members in our beautiful worship park. Bring a blanket or your lawn chairs, your picnic, and friends! Get ready for the chicken dance and much more!

### **St. Martin's Website and Public Calendar**

St. Martin's website has been undergoing updates and changes over the past month, and we continue to work to make it more accessible, easy to use, and informative. Part of the changes has been the update of St. Martin's calendar platform. We now use a Google Calendar for scheduling, which is available to all to view, and for Google users to add to their calendar. To view or add the calendar, go to [www.saintmartins.org/events](http://www.saintmartins.org/events).

The Finance Task Force and Church Council continue to meet to resolve our financial situation and will report to the congregation soon. In the meantime, we ask you to support St. Martin's by doing the following:

- Spread the word about St. Martin's Lutheran Preschool, which has openings for ages 18 months—5 years for the Fall
- Share on social media about the good things happenings at St. Martin's
- Invite your friends to worship and special events
- Pray for our church
- Get connected on Facebook, Realm, and [www.saintmartins.org](http://www.saintmartins.org)
- Stay connected and reach out to others you know who might not be connected
- Donate to St. Martin's ministries at [onrealm.org/saintmartins/-/give/norw](http://onrealm.org/saintmartins/-/give/norw)

To keep up with more St. Martin's news, follow us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/stmartinsatx](http://www.facebook.com/stmartinsatx), sign up for our e-newsletters at [www.saintmartins.org](http://www.saintmartins.org), or join us on our church membership platform, [Realm](http://Realm).





Please Join Us For

**St. Martin's Lutheran Preschool's**

**OPEN HOUSE**

FOR PROSPECTIVE FAMILIES!

SATURDAY, JUNE 5TH

12:00 PM TO 2:00 PM

**606 W. 15th Street // (512) 476.4037**

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- Tour the Center
- Answer Parent Questions
- Register for the '21- '22 School Year beginning August 30th