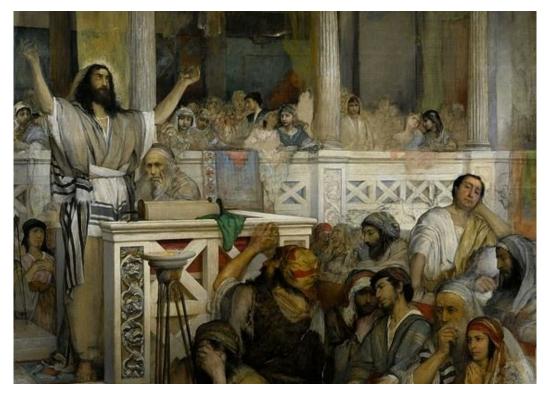


### ST. MARTIN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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January 23, 2022 | 11:00 AM

# THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY



Gottlieb, Maurycy. Christ teaching in Capernaum, 1878-1879, oil on canvas, National Museum in Warsaw

In worship, the Holy Spirit gathers us around the means of grace—the saving Word of God and the sacraments. From the table of communion where Jesus Christ comes with forgiveness, life, and salvation, God sends us out to share the good news and to care for those in need.

This type of note offers directions about the service. The people's responses are in **bold.** Any page numbers provided refer to the sections at the front of the red hymnals, with page numbers in the bottom corners. Hymn numbers provided refer to the hymnal, with numbers listed at the top of hymn pages.

The service begins with a piece of music, during which the congregation can prepare for worship.

### **Prelude**

Chorale Prelude on *Wie schön leuchtet* (O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright!)

Johann Pachelbel

### Welcome

The people stand.

# Thanksgiving for Baptism

you teach us

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# **Gathering Hymn**

Hymn 308

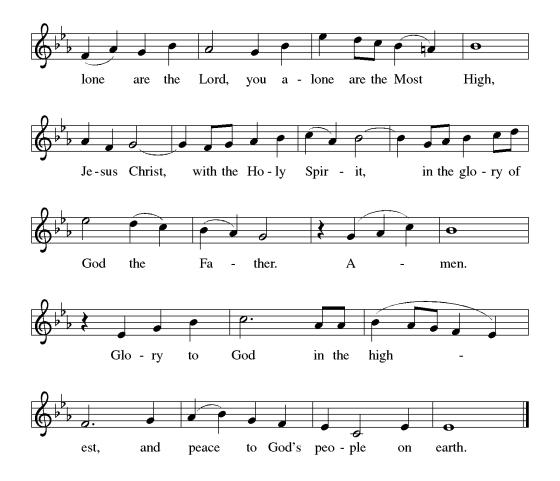
O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright! (*verses* 1-4) WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET O You shine with Morn - ing Star, fair and bright! how Come, pre - cious dia - mond, light di - vine, and deep with -3 Lord, when you look love, at once there on us in 4 Al - might - y Fa - ther, in your Son you loved us, God's own truth and light, a - glow with grace and mer hearts now shine; there light flame un - dy - ing! our a a - bove pur - est plea - sure. from God a ray of be - gun old earth's foun-da - tion! when not yet was this Of Ja - cob's line, King Da-vid's son, our Lord and Sav - ior, your one bod - y let us be as liv - ing branch - es Spir - it, flesh and blood Your word and re-fresh our souls with Your Son ran - somed us to live in him here has in love Low - ly, you have our hearts to you on - ly! won serve lives sup-ply - ing. a tree, your life our Now, though dear - est trea - sure! heav'n-ly food. You are our Let your a bove: this is your great sal - va - tion. Al - le -1y!Great and glo - rious, all vic - to - rious, rich ho dai earth's deep and ly sad - ness may per - plex anđ warm cheer us! Oh, For mer draw near us! cy Christ the liv - ing, to giv - ing life us bless - ing! Rule might o'er and pos - sess yet dis - tress us, with heav'n - ly joy you bless

# 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.** 

# **Canticle of Praise**





# Prayer of the Day

### Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

The people are seated.

# First Reading

### Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

¹All the people [of Israel] gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. ²Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. ³He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. ⁵And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. ⁶Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered,

"Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

<sup>9</sup>And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. <sup>10</sup>Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

# **Second Reading**

### 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

<sup>12</sup>For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup>For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

<sup>14</sup>Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. <sup>15</sup>If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. <sup>16</sup>And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. <sup>17</sup>If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? <sup>18</sup>But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. <sup>19</sup>If all were a single member, where would the body be? <sup>20</sup>As it is, there are many members, yet one body. <sup>21</sup>The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." <sup>22</sup>On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, <sup>23</sup>and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; <sup>24</sup>whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body,

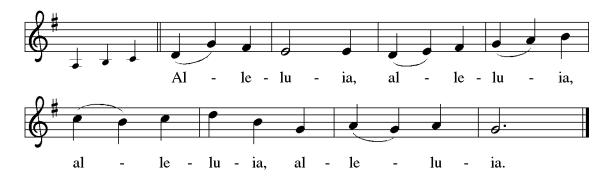
giving the greater honor to the inferior member, <sup>25</sup>that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. <sup>26</sup>If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

<sup>27</sup>Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. <sup>28</sup>And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. <sup>29</sup>Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? <sup>30</sup>Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? <sup>31a</sup>But strive for the greater gifts.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

The people stand.

# **Gospel Acclamation**



Gospel Luke 4:14-21

The Holy Gospel according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>14</sup>Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. <sup>15</sup>He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

<sup>16</sup>When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, <sup>17</sup>and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

18"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free,
19 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

<sup>20</sup>And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. <sup>21</sup>Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

The people are seated.

# Message

The people stand. Prayer cards are collected by the ushers during the Hymn of the Day.

Prayer requests may also be sent via text message to prayer@saintmartins.org.

Let Streams of Living Justice

**THAXTED** 



# **Apostles' Creed**

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

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.
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. Amen.

# **Prayers of Intercession**

God of grace, hear our prayer.

### The Peace

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

The people are seated.

# Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering

Give in person, online at <u>saintmartins.org/giving</u>, or text "luther" and your gift amount to 73256. Standard text message and data rates may apply.

# **Musical Offering**

How Lovely are the Messengers

Felix Mendelssohn

How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace. To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words, throughout all the lands their glad tidings.

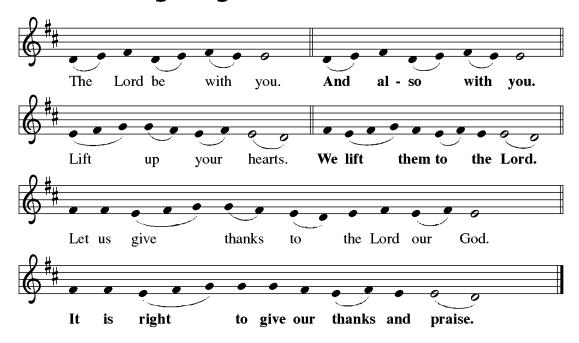
The people stand.

FREUT EUCH, IHR LIEBEN Hail to the Lord's Anointed (verses 1 & 4) Hail the Lord's a - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son! come with res - cue speed - y You to those who suf - fer wrong, shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth; Kings shall fall down be - fore you, and gold and in - cense bring; time ap - point - ed, your Hail, reign on earth be gun! the help the poor and need - y, and joy, and hope, like flow - ers, spring bid the weak be strong; in your path to birth. na-tions shall a - dore you, your praise all peo - ple sing. cap - tive You break sion, come to op pres to set the give their to them songs for sigh ing, dark - ness turn Be fore you on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald, you shall prayer un - ceas ing and dai - ly vows a - way free, take trans gres sion and to light, whose souls, con - demned and dy ing, are go; from and righ - teous - ness in foun tains king - dom cend; your still in creas ing, a rule in ui eq ty. pre - cious your sight. in hill val ley flow. to king - dom with out end.

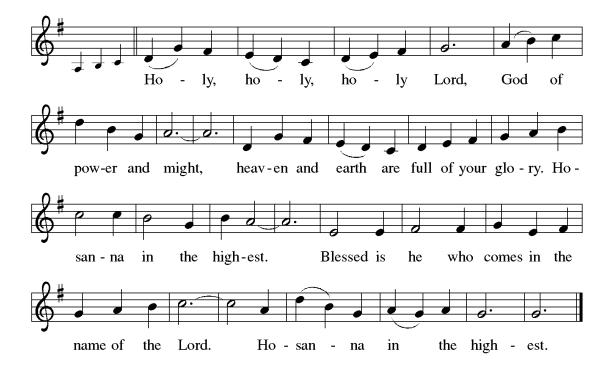
# Offering Prayer

Let us pray. God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

# The Great Thanksgiving



# Holy, Holy, Holy



# Thanksgiving at the Table

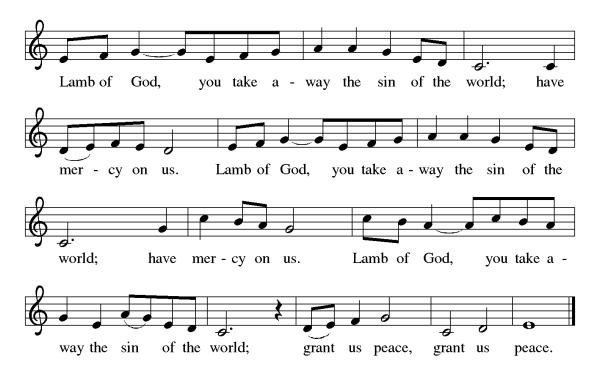
For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

# Lord's Prayer

The people are seated.

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**Holy Communion** Our communion table is open to all. Everyone is welcome to receive communion regardless of age or denomination. Please continue to wear your mask as you come forward to receive communion. Acolytes will offer hand sanitizer as you pass. You will receive the bread in your hands and the wine by dipping the bread in the bowl. Please consume while walking back to your seat. Gluten free wafers are available if requested. If you prefer to remain in your seat, please pick up a communion cup in the narthex or ask an usher to bring one to you.

### **Music at Communion**

The people stand.

# **Table Blessing**

### **Prayer after Communion**

# Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

### **Announcements**

# Blessing

# **Sending Hymn**

Hymn 886

**AZMON** 

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

1 Oh. for a thou-sand tongues to sing my great Re-deem-er's praise, gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim, name of Je - sus charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease, speaks, and lis - t'ning to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive; glo - ries of my God and king, the tri-umphs of his grace! hon - ors spread through all the earth a - broad the of your name. sings mu - sic in the sin-ner's ears, brings life and health and peace. mourn - ful, bro-ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor

- 5 Look unto him, your Savior own,O fallen human race!Look and be saved through faith alone,be justified by grace!
- 6 To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever giv'n by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heav'n.

### Dismissal

Go in peace. Remember the poor. Thanks be to God.

### **Postlude**

Improvisation on We Shall Overcome

arr. Carl Haywood

# **Serving Today**

Preaching/Presiding: Rev. Ellen Williams

Lector: Karen Cross
Organist: Austin Haller

Musicians: St. Martin's Choir; Jenny Ohrstrom, soprano; Ann Sauder, Liz Cass,

altos; Jameson James, tenor; Gil Zilkha, bass

Video: Eddie Jennings Sound: Jim Parkhurst

Ushers: Norm Hummell, chair

### **Prayers**

#### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Terry Adcock; family and friends of Stacey Aus; family and friends of Eddie Bull; Helia Callendar; Naomi Dill; Donna Estes; Tony Gomez; family and friends of Elena Griesel; family and friends of Mike Hartfiel; Ben Harvey, Shirley Harvey; Jeannine; Larry Lobash and family; family and friends of Patsy Madriaga; Caroline Su San Ong and Maui Demetrius Zeus Honetana; Beth Orton & Sofia Orton; David Pierce.

#### CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR

Nancy Anderson; Bob Aus; Emily Berggren; Patricia Byous; Eleanor and Dave; Sam Gourley; Dean Haynie; Duke Hobbs; Ronnie Johnson; Peter Jordahl; Betsy Knauff; Walt Knauff; Arvid Larson; Pat Larson; Doris McGaughy; Helen Pegg; Jeff Puskos; Betty Staehr.

#### **Events & Announcements**

#### This Week at St. Martin's

#### Sunday, January 23

9:00 am Holy Communion 10:00 am Faith Formation Hour 11:00 am Holy Communion

12:15 pm Meet & Eat at Easy Tiger (E. 7th)

#### Monday, January 24

7:30 pm Heart & Mind Gospel Study (Zoom)

### Tuesday, January 25

9:00 am WELCA Tack & Pack

7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Continuing Education

#### Wednesday, January 26

1:00 pm Pastor's Book Class

5:30 pm Wednesday Game Night (Gym)

#### Thursday, January 27

6:00 pm High School Devotional (Zoom)

#### Sunday, January 30

9:00 am Holy Communion10:00 am Faith Formation Hour11:00 am Holy Communion

#### TODAY! Meet & Eat at Easy Tiger | January 23rd after 11:00 am service

Join the St. Martin's 20s, 30s, and 40s group for lunch and beer at Easy Tiger on E. 7th St. following 11:00 worship on January 23. All are welcome for a casual afternoon of fellowship!

### Stephen Ministry Continuing Education | Tuesday, January 25th at 7:00 pm (Zoom)

All congregants are welcome to join us on Zoom for Stephen Ministry's continuing education "Life Transitions due to Aging". Just contact Fred Aus at fredaustx@gmail.com for your Zoom invitation. Upcoming Stephen Ministry Continuing Education Programs: February 22, 7:00 pm - Dealing with Anxiety, Depression and Suicide; March 22, 7:00 pm - Communicating and Caregiving for People With Dementia

### Spring Cleaning? | WELCA Seeks Fabric Donations & Copier Paper Boxes

Tack and Pack welcomes all sheets and table cloths that are no longer wanted by your household. They will be repurposed as quilt backs by our group. Also, Ivory, Irish, Spring or Dove soaps are needed to put in the baby or health kits. The group also seeks copier paper boxes to be used for shipping kits. Please drop off any donations with a label of "Tack and Pack" and your name in the church office. Thank you for your help with this ministry.

### Food and Fellowship Sign Ups

Sign up to bring food for our time of fellowship after Sunday worship! We need two volunteers to bring snacks after Family Worship (before 10am). All snacks welcome: sweet or savory, homemade

or store-bought! Sign up at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F45ACAE29A5FCC61-sunday or contact Abby Adams or Christine Fuhrman.

Wednesday Night Game Night Has Returned! | Wednesdays, 5:30—8:30 pm in the Gym Join us for games and fun, Wednesday evenings in the gym. For ages 3rd grade and up! Contact Cason Miller at cmiller@saintmartins.org for more information.

#### Summer Camp Information Table | January—early February in the Lobby

#### **Update from the Regathering Team**

While worship and activities St. Martin's will continue as normal, the Regathering Team strongly encourages virtual participation. Please continue to wear a mask during worship and social activities, and if you feel ill, have a temperature, or have been exposed to the virus, please stay home. The Regathering Team meets weekly to assess St. Martin's ongoing operations. May God bless you with peace and good health in this new year!