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# March 13, 2022 | 11:00 AM

# Second Sunday in Lent



Simonet, Enrique. Flevit super illam (He wept over it), 1892, Museo del Prado

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

Sonata No. 2 in C minor: *Grave* and *Adagio* 

Felix Mendelssohn, Op. 65

## Welcome

The people stand.

## Thanksgiving for Baptism

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

In the name of God, who makes a way in the wilderness, walks with us, and guides us in our pilgrimage. **Amen.** 

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy One, we confess that we have wandered far from you: we have not trusted your promises, we have ignored your prophets in our own day, we have squandered our inheritance of grace, we have failed to recognize you in our midst. Have mercy on us! Forgive us and turn us again to you. Teach us to follow in your ways, assure us again of your love, and help us to love our neighbor. Amen.

## **Processional Hymn**

## Hymn 831

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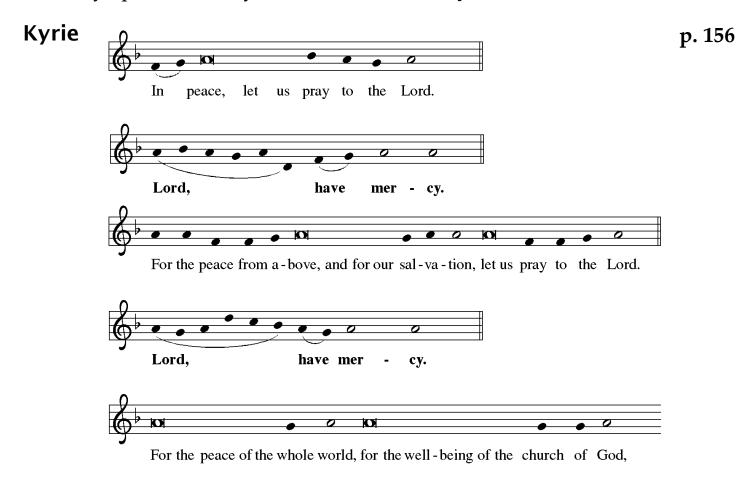
The God of Abraham Praise (verses 1-4)

The God of who reigns en-throned a - bove; 1 A - br'ham praise, The God of your su - preme com - mand 2 A - br'ham praise! At all - suf - fi - cient grace 3 The God of A - br'ham Your praise! 4 Your prom-ise you have sworn; Ι on your oath de - pend. An - cient of last - ing days, and God ev - er of lovefrom earth I rise and seek the joys at your right hand. all pil - grim days in all shall guide me my my ways. ea - gle wings up - borne, to shall, on heav'n as cend.



## 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.** 





## Prayer of the Day

# Word

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

The people are seated.

## **First Reading**

## Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

God promises a childless and doubting Abram that he will have a child, that his descendants will be as numerous as the stars, and that the land of Canaan will be their inheritance. Abram's trust in God is sealed with a covenant-making ceremony, a sign of God's promise.

<sup>1</sup>After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great."

<sup>2</sup>But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" <sup>3</sup>And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." <sup>4</sup>But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." <sup>5</sup>He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." <sup>6</sup>And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

<sup>7</sup>Then he said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." <sup>8</sup>But he said, "O Lord GoD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" <sup>9</sup>He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." <sup>10</sup>He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. <sup>11</sup>And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

<sup>12</sup>As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

<sup>17</sup>When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. <sup>18</sup>On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

## Second Reading

## Philippians 3:17--4:1

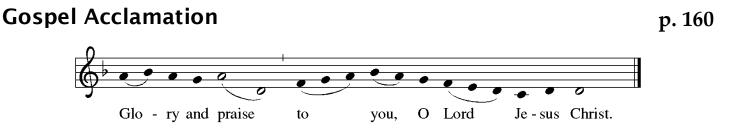
Although Paul's devotion to Christ has caused him to be persecuted, he does not regret the course he has taken. Writing from prison, he expresses confidence in a glorious future and encourages other Christians to follow in his footsteps.

<sup>17</sup>Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. <sup>18</sup>For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. <sup>19</sup>Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in

their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. <sup>20</sup>But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>21</sup>He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. <sup>4:1</sup>Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

The people stand.



## Gospel

Luke 13:31-35

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

*Neither Herod's plotting nor Jerusalem's resistance to maternal love will deter Jesus from his sacrificial mission.* 

<sup>31</sup>At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to [Jesus,] "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." <sup>32</sup>He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. <sup>33</sup>Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' <sup>34</sup>Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! <sup>35</sup>See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

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.* 

## Hymn of the Day

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy



## Hymn 587 St. Helena

## **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**

Merciful God, receive 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**

## Hosanna to the Son of David

Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Blessed be the King of Israel. Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest places. Hosanna in the highest heavens.

The people stand.

#### Thomas Weelkes

## **Offering Hymn**

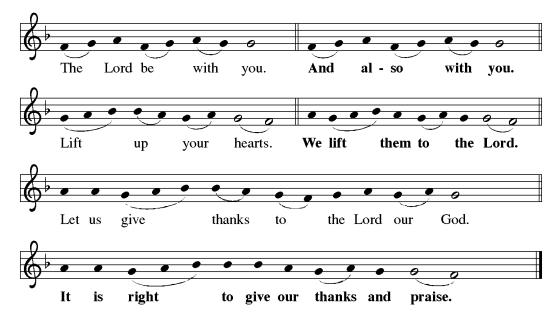
#### Hymn 468



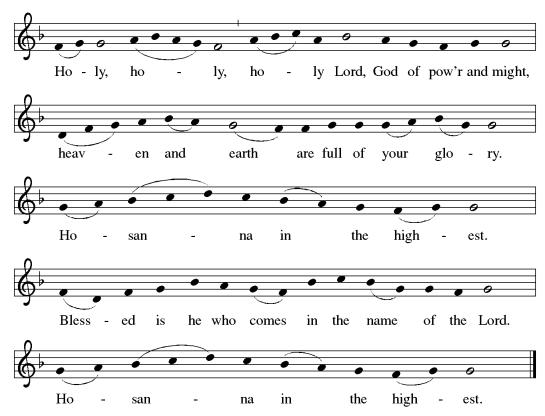
## **Offering Prayer**

Extravagant God, you have blessed us with the fullness of creation. Now we gather at your feast where you offer us the food that satisfies. Take and use what we offer here, come among us, and feed us with the body and blood of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

## The Great Thanksgiving



#### Holy, Holy, Holy



#### Thanksgiving at the Table

...with every breath. We praise you, O God.

...into the future. We bless you, O God.

...with us now. We thank you, O God. ...we proclaim the mystery of faith: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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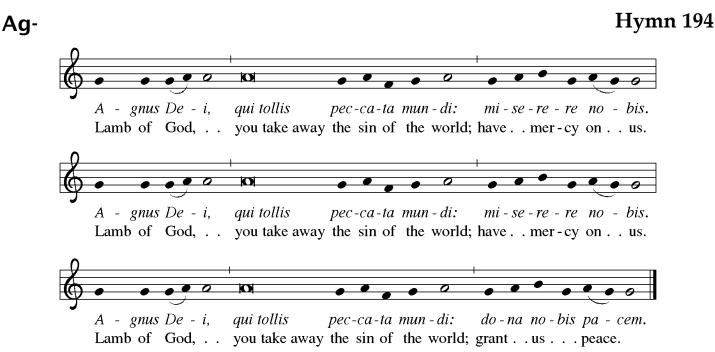
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## Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,<br/>hallowed be thy name,<br/>thy kingdom come,<br/>thy will be done,<br/>on earth as it is in heaven.as we forgive those who trespassGive us this day our daily bread;<br/>and forgive us our trespasses,as we forgive those who trespassGive us this day our trespasses,as we forgive those who trespassGive us this day our trespasses,forever and ever. Amen.

The people are seated.



**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**

#### Jerusalem from Paulus

O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!

## Felix Mendelssohn

The people stand.

## **Table Blessing**

## Prayer after Communion

# Sending

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

## Announcements

## Blessing

## Sending Hymn

Eternal Lord of Love, Behold Your Church



Hymn 321

old 124th



## Dismissal

Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way. Thanks be to God.

## Postlude

Solemn Melody

Henry Walford Davies

## Serving Today

Preaching/Presiding:	Rev. Ellen Williams	
Lector:	Liz Moon	
Eucharistic Ministers:	Karen Cross	
Director of Music:	Tim O'Brien	
Organist:	Austin Haller	
Musicians:	St. Martin's Choir; Jenny Ohrstrom, soprano; Katherine Altobello- O'Brien, alto; Jameson James, tenor; Gil Zilkha, bass	
Sound:	Jim Parkhurst	
Video:	Eddie Jennings	
Ushers:	Norm Hummell, chair	
Refreshments for Food & Fellowship provided by Abby Adams and Christine Fuhrman.		

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## Prayers

#### **REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Family and friends of Ed Abrahamson; Alex; Amanda and children; Wayne Bahr; Bri; Cathy and family and friends; Randy Chambers; Kim Dodigon; Paul Elmshaeuser; Jeannine; Margaret Puskos; Rothstein family; Satka family; family and friends of Mary Gordon Spence; Donna Stone; Teresa's family; family of Judy Walhovd; Daniel Wiederhold; the Ukrainian citizens and refugees and marginalized communities.

#### CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR

Terry Adcock; Bob Aus; Emily Berggren; Travis Bohmann; Patricia Byous; Eleanor and Dave; Ellen; Sam Gourley; Dean Haynie; Ronnie Johnson; Peter Jordahl; Betsy Knauff; Walt Knauff; Arvid Larson; Pat Larson; Doris McGaughy; Helen Pegg; Jeff Puskos; Betty Staehr; Christie Tietjen.

## March Benevolence: SAFE Alliance

The SAFE Alliance is a Central Texas nonprofit committed to providing safety, stability, and healing to anyone who has experienced violence and abuse. Locally, we provide housing, support services, and prevention programs to stop the cycle of violence. Globally, we engage in conversations that shape a culture free from violence and abuse. Learn more at safeaustin.org.

SAFEline is a 24-hour confidential hotline for people seeking help with sexual or domestic violence, child abuse, human trafficking, or parenting support and is available by phone at 512.267.SAFE (7233), by text at 737.888.7233, or by online chat at safeaustin.org/chat.

#### **Events & Announcements**

This Week at St. Martin's		
Sunday, March 13		
9:00 am	Holy Communion	
10:00 am	Faith Formation Hour	
11:00 am	Holy Communion	
Monday, March 14		
7:30 pm	Heart & Mind Gospel Study	
Tuesday, March 15		
9:00 am	WELCA Tack & Pack	
Wednesday, March 16		
1:00 pm	Pastor's Book Class	
6:30 pm	Lenten Meal (Bring your own picnic!)	
7:00 pm	Lenten Vespers	
Saturday, March 19		
9:30 am	Mop & Hammer	
Sunday, March 20		
9:00 am	Holy Communion	
10:00 am	Faith Formation Hour	
11:00 am	Holy Communion	
3:00 pm	Lea Walker-Clark Ordination	

#### March 16 Lenten Meal: Bring Your Own Picnic

The March 16, 6:30 p.m. meal prior to the Lenten service will be a Bring Your Own Picnic event (with it being Spring Break, attendance is less predictable for meal planning). The remaining weeks' meals will be provided, with you being asked only to bring your own beverage.

#### Blessed Are You | Lenten Vespers

Join us Wednesdays in Lent for our Lenten Vespers services at 7:00 pm in the Worship Park. We'll sit by the new fire pit as we hear community members reflect on Jesus's powerful Beatitudes and enjoy the beautiful music of the Holden Evening Prayer. Lenten Meals provided by our community will be offered before the service in the Worship Park at 6:30 pm.

#### Ordination & Installation of Lea Walker-Clark | Sunday, March 20th, 2022, 3:00 pm

Lea Walker-Clark will be ordained and installed as pastor at Palabra de Vida Ministries on Sunday, March 20, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. There will be a reception following the service. This event is kid friendly, all are welcome, and all should prepare to have fun! The service will also be livestreamed on St. Martin's YouTube, Facebook, and website. You may send acknowledgement to leawalkerclark@gmail.com.

#### Altar Guild Needs Your Help!

Congregational help is needed for set-up and clean up of communion for worship and special services. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please call or text Tom Blomquist at 512-431-4507.