

APRIL 3, 2022 | 9:00 AM

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!*

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT



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**.*

We welcome you to our family worship, a casual and reflective service of togetherness. Please feel free to sit and stand as you feel called to throughout the service.



ST. MARTIN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

PRELUDE

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

WELCOME

REFLECTION

Prayer of Devotion, Dr. Karen A. Eshelman

still my soul, that i might pray Thee
calm my mind, that i might hear Thee
light my vision, that i might see Thee
unveil my heart, that i might truly love Thee

bend my knee, that i might adore Thee
loose my tongue, that i might exalt Thee
come within, that i might know Thee
give me wings, that i might ever sing Thee

from Women's Uncommon Prayers, Morehouse Pub., 2000

GATHERING SONG

Holy Woman, Graceful Giver



1 Ho - ly wom - an, grace - ful giv - er, proph - et,
2 How the fra - grance filled the dwell - ing! How the
3 Lov - ing - ly Christ stilled the scoff - er who would
4 Though dis - dained or though con - test - ed, acts of



ser - vant, and be - liev - er, Mar - y with the oint - ment
act of beau - ty well - ing blest all those with - in the
grasp - ing guard the cof - fer, point - ing to a hid - den
love are nev - er wast - ed: beau - ty is a face of



jar, sought by Christ, by scorn un - daunt - ed, knelt in
place! How the act of pure de - vo - tion, whis - p'ring
trove: not all trea - sures gain and pro - fit, feed the
God. Grace - ful Mar - y, by your giv - ing, you have



love, his feet a - noint - ed for his com - ing bur - ial
of his com - ing pas - sion, blest the heart of Christ with
poor, and feed the spir - it acts of beau - ty, acts of
shown a way of liv - ing: acts of beau - ty, love, and



hour, for his com - ing bur - ial hour.
grace, blest the heart of Christ with grace!
love, acts of beau - ty, acts of love.
good, acts of beau - ty, love, and good.

GREETING

May God, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer be with us as we worship today.

Please take a moment to greet those near you.

PRAYER

Let us pray. Welcoming God, you graciously call us into your presence to know and experience you fully. Teach us to treasure the time we spend with you, and transform us by your grace to be as loving and generous as you are. Amen.

WORD

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

READING

John 12:1-8

The good news from God, according to John.

Judas willfully misinterprets as waste Mary's extravagant act of anointing Jesus' feet with costly perfume. Jesus recognizes that her lavish gift is both an expression of love and an anticipation of his burial.

¹Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ²There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. ³Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, ⁵"Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" ⁶(He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ⁷Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

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 Fifth Sunday in Lent: Isaiah 43:16-21, Psalm 126, Philippians 3:4b-14.

The children come forward for the children's message.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MESSAGE

Prayer cards are collected by the ushers during the sermon song. Prayer requests may also be made by sending a text message to prayer@saintmartins.org.

SERMON SONG

Take My Life, That I May Be

1 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;
4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold;

take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.
take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.
take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

PRAYERS

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING *An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.*

Offerings may be placed in the basket in the narthex, or you can donate at saintmartins.org/giving or text "luther" and your gift amount to 73256. Standard text message and data rates may apply.

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MUSICAL OFFERING

Alabaster

Rend Collective

OFFERING PRAYER

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION *Our communion table is open to all. Everyone is welcome to receive communion regardless of age or denomination. 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

New Every Morning

Audrey Assad & Matt Maher

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Let us pray. **Thank you for the gift of your body and blood that strengthens us to be your presence in our world. Amen**

SENDING

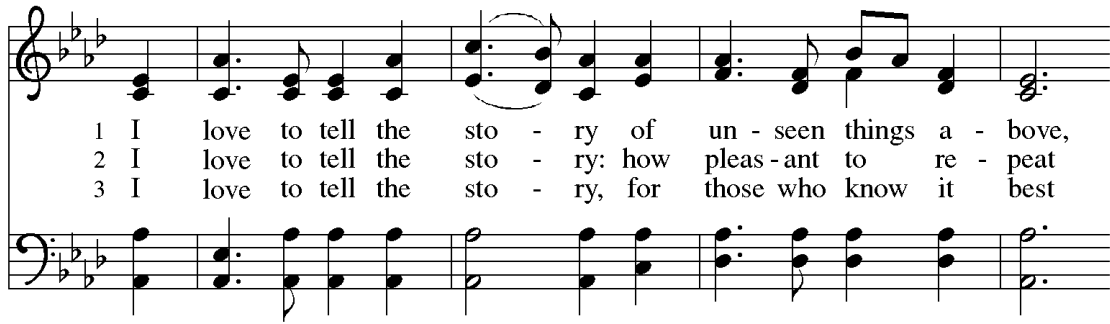
God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

SENDING SONG

I Love to Tell the Story



1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;
I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,



it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.
the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.
I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Refrain



I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry

to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

DISMISSAL

Let's leave here to love, share, and serve boldly. **And give thanks to God.**

POSTLUDE

Alabaster

Rend Collective

SERVING TODAY

Pastor Ellen Williams - *preaching/presiding*

Tom Blomquist - *assisting minister*

Katherine Altobello-O'Brien, Tim O'Brien, vocals; Austin Haller, piano and vocals;
Darin Layne, guitar; Andrew Fuhrman, drums - *musicians*

Jim Parkhurst - *sound*

Eddie Jennings - *video*

Norm Hummell, chair - *ushers*

ST. MARTIN'S PRAYERS

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Family and friends of Ed Abrahamson; Terry Adcock; Judy Balentine; family and friends of LaNell Brown; Eileen; Henry; Pam Hite; Deborah R. Duncan Hurdle and Malfred Duncan; Jeannine; Rita Naes; family of Delores (Dee) Nelson; Glen Ratliff; Donna Stone; family and friends of Zack Swenson; the Ukrainian citizens and refugees and marginalized communities; all people; wholeness and healing of all God's creation.

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR

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.

APRIL BENEVOLENCE: RIVER CITY YOUTH FOUNDATION

River City Youth Foundation (RCYF) is Austin's longest running locally founded youth organization, providing programs and services for the underserved community of southeast Austin's Dove Springs. RCYF provides youth and family oriented programs focused on technology training, college and career readiness, mentoring, wellness, and community development. Donate this month during offering time, or anytime online at saintmartins.org/giving.

EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week at St. Martin's

Sunday, April 3

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

Tuesday, April 5

9:00 am WELCA Tack & Pack

Wednesday, April 6

1:00 pm Pastor's Book Class
6:30 pm Lenten Meal provided by WELCA
7:00 pm Lenten Vespers

Sunday, April 10—*Palm Sunday*

Capitol 10K Race Day

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

Food & Fellowship | Stay after services and enjoy conversation, coffee, and snacks provided by our wonderful volunteers! Join us in this ministry of hospitality. To sign up, speak to Abby Adams or email at adams.abigail.m@gmail.com. All snacks are welcome!

***Blessed Are You* | Lenten Vespers**

Join us this Wednesday for our final Lenten meal and Vespers service in the Worship Park. Please bring your own beverage and a plate for your use to help us reduce the use of paper products for the meal at 6:30 pm. At 7:00, we'll reflect on Jesus's powerful Beatitudes and enjoy the beautiful music of the Holden Evening Prayer.

Cap10K Race | Palm Sunday, April 10th

The 2022 Statesman Capitol 10,000 race will take place on Sunday, April 10, 2022, starting at 8:00 a.m. and finishing at 12:00 p.m. Check your route to church at www.cap10k.com/race-weekend/road-closures.

Easter Lily Sales

The Flower Guild will be selling Easter lilies Sunday March 20 through Sunday, April 10. The cost is \$15.00 each. These will adorn the worship space on Easter Sunday, April 17. Easter lilies may be purchased at church on Sunday mornings or online at saintmartins.org/flowers. Be sure to note on the form or in the memo line online your preferred dedication.

Pancake Breakfast | April 17th, 2022

Save the date for our annual pancake breakfast on Easter Sunday! Come help the high school students raise funds for our summer trips, from Big Bend to Galveston! Part of the St. Martin's Easter Celebration

HOLY WEEK

AT ST. MARTIN'S

April 10 Palm Sunday

9 AM Family Worship
11 AM Traditional Worship

April 14 Maundy Thursday

7 PM Worship Service

April 15 Good Friday

12 PM Good Friday Worship
7 PM Tenebrae Service

April 17 Easter Sunday

9 AM Family Worship
10 AM Community Faith Formation Activities
11 AM Traditional Worship
Easter Celebration in the Worship Park

Pancake Breakfast

Eat with us on Easter Sunday!
Come help the high school
students raise funds for our
summer trips from Big Bend to
Galveston!

Easter Celebration

Join us in the Worship Park following
second service as we celebrate
Easter Sunday together! Enjoy jazz
music, Easter activities, and a
fundraising meal provided by the
High Schoolers.