

MAY 29, 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!*

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

Here Comes the Sun

George Harrison

GATHERING

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

WELCOME

REFLECTION

The Fear of Being Known by Vanessa Feliciano

To be known is to be heard
through ears around the world
to be known is to be seen
by everyone in any way they please
Most people wish for this
to be known
be seen
be heard
but i wish to be secret
to hide away my words
a simple line in verse
is all I'm willing to give
why must i tell more?
you don't need my life to live.
Some seem to try so hard

to be as big as heavens above
some seem to rebel against me
'If your not seen your not loved'
this line may seem so logical
so true and knowing and yet
there someday will be someone
with whom i just haven't met.
Someone will come
they'll notice and they'll see
I just have to wait
who will that some one be?
But until that day has come
I'll write here all alone
until that day has come
I'll have fear of being known.

GATHERING SONG

Take Me to the Water

1 Take me to the wa - ter, take me to the wa - ter,
2 I . . . love . . Je - sus, I . . . love . . Je - sus,
3 He's . . my . . Sav - ior, he's . . my . . Sav - ior,
4 Glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah. Glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah.

take me to the wa - ter to be bap - tized.
I . . . love . . Je - sus, oh, yes, I do.
he's . . my . . Sav - ior, oh, yes, he is.
Glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah to be bap - tized.

GREETING

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

Amen.

Please take a moment to greet those near you.

PRAYER

Let us pray. God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

WORD

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

READING

John 17:20-26

The good news from God, according to John.

Jesus prays that the life of his followers will be characterized by an intimate unity of identity with God. To be so identified with God means also to share in God's mission: to proclaim the word that will bring others into this same unity.

[Jesus prayed:] ²⁰"I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²²The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, ²³I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. ²⁴Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

²⁵"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

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 in Easter: Acts 16:16-34, Psalm 97, Revelation 22:12-14,16-17,20-21.

CHILDREN'S SONG

Traditional

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands

He's got the whole world in His hands

Make big circle with both arms, then cup hands in front of you as though you are holding the world.

He's got you and me brother - *Point to a boy then at yourself.*

He's got you and me sister - *Point to a girl then at yourself.*

He's got everybody here - *Point at everyone in the room.*

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.

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to
 2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry
 3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy
 4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less

earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
 trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
 find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,
 ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
 Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
 till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
 its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

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

Higher Love

Steve Winwood (arr. James Vincent McMorrow)

Think about it,
there must be a higher love

Bring me higher love

Down in the heart
or hidden in the stars above

Worlds are turning,
and we're just hanging on

Without it, life is wasted time

Facing our fear,

Look inside your heart,
and I'll look inside mine

and standing out there alone

A yearning, yeah, and it's real to me

There must be someone

Things look so bad everywhere
In this whole world, what is fair?

who's feeling for me

We walk the line and try to see
Falling behind in what could be, oh

Things look so bad everywhere
In this whole world, what is fair
We walk the line and try to see
Falling behind in what could be, oh

Bring me a higher love
Bring me a higher love, oh
Bring me a higher love
Where's that higher love
I keep thinking of?

Bring higher love
Where's that higher love
I keep thinking of?

OFFERING PRAYER

God, we thank you for your generous gift of Jesus Christ.

Please use these gifts to make your presence felt in our world. **Amen**

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

You will be Found, from *Dear Evan Hansen*

Benj Pasik & Justin Paul

Have you ever felt like nobody was there?
Have you ever felt forgotten in the middle of nowhere?
Have you ever felt like you could disappear?
Like you could fall, and no one would hear?

Well, let that lonely feeling wash away
Maybe there's a reason to believe you'll be okay
'Cause when you don't feel strong enough to stand
You can reach, reach out your hand

And oh, someone will coming running
And I know, they'll take you home

Even when the dark comes crashing through
When you need a friend to carry you
And when you're broken on the ground
You will be found

So let the sun come streaming in
'Cause you'll reach up and you'll rise again
Lift your head and look around
You will be found

There's a place where we don't have to feel unknown
And every time that you call out, you're a little less alone
If you only say the word
From across the silence Your voice is heard

Out of the shadows,
the morning is breaking
And all is new, all is new
It's filling up the empty,
and suddenly I see that
All is new, all is new
You are not alone

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

You are what God made you to be:
created in Christ Jesus for good works,
chosen as holy and beloved,
freed to serve your neighbor.

God bless you, that you may be a blessing,
in the name of the holy and life-giving Trinity. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

My Sweet Lord

George Harrison

My sweet Lord

Really want to see you

My Lord

Really want to see you

Mmm, my Lord

Really want to see you, Lord

I really want to see you

Really want to see you, Lord

Really want to be with you

But it takes so long, my lord

Really want to see you, Lord

(Hallelujah)

But it takes so long, my Lord

My sweet Lord (Hallelujah)

My sweet Lord

My Lord (Hallelujah)

My Lord

My Lord (Hallelujah)

My Lord

I really want to know you (Hallelujah)

I really want to know you

Really want to go with you (Hallelujah)

Really want to go with you

Really want to show you, Lord (Ah, ah)

Really want to show you, Lord

But it won't take long, my Lord (Ah,

But it won't take long, my Lord

ah, hallelujah)

(Hallelujah)

Mm, mm, mm (Hallelujah)

My sweet Lord (Hallelujah)

My sweet Lord (Hallelujah)

My Lord (Hallelujah)

My, my Lord (Hallelujah)

My sweet Lord (Hallelujah)

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

My Sweet Lord

George Harrison

SERVING TODAY

Pastor Ellen Williams - *preaching/presiding*

Tom Blomquist - *assisting minister*

- *communion ministers*

Katherine Altobello O'Brien, Tim O'Brien voice; Austin Haller voice and piano;

Andrew Fuhrman drums; Darin Layne guitar - *musicians*

Eddie Jennings - *video*

Norm Hummell, chair - *ushers*

ST. MARTIN'S PRAYERS

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Family and friends of Bob Aus; friends and family of Patti Ball; Anya & James Hart; Betsy, Walt, Margie, and Wally; Latoya Chestnut; Cash Matthews; Jamie; Scott Simon; Evelyn; Chris & Leigh; Family and Friends of Lynn Remadna; Frank Schultz; Suzanne Garcia; Lauren, Christopher, Chance; Charlie; those in New Mexico endangered by wildfires; for the people of Uvalde, whose lives are affected by the senseless and unspeakable gun violence.

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR

Terry Adcock; Emily Berggren; Eric Bittner; 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; Ukrainian citizens and refugees.

EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week at St. Martin's

Sunday, May 29

9:00 am Holy Communion

10:00 am Faith Formation Hour

11:00 am Holy Communion

Monday, May 30 Memorial Day- Office Closed

Tuesday, May 31

9:00 am WELCA Tack & Pack

Wednesday, June 1st

1:00 pm Pastor's Book Class

7:00 pm Music Rehearsals

Saturday, June 4th

8:30 am Mop and Hammer

Sunday, June 5th

10:00 am Holy Communion