

NOVEMBER 6, 2022



ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

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!

ST. MARTIN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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We welcome you to our Worship, a casual and reflective service of togetherness. 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.

Families with small children are invited to sit at the front of the sanctuary on or near the Playground rug where there are toys and activities for them. The joyful noise of our young ones is always welcome in this space.

Notes in italics offer directions about the service. The people's responses are in bold.

PRELUDE FOR ALL THE SAINTS

RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS

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

GATHERING

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

WELCOME

REFLECTION

We share a piece of writing to invite us into consideration of scripture and worship through different voices.

ON THE DEATH OF A BELOVED

JOHN O'DONOHUE

Though we need to weep your loss,
You dwell in that safe place in our hearts,
Where no storm or might or pain can reach
you.

Your love was like the dawn
Brightening over our lives
Awakening beneath the dark
A further adventure of colour.

The sound of your voice
Found for us
A new music
That brightened everything.

Whatever you enfolded in your gaze
Quickened in the joy of its being;
You placed smiles like flowers
On the altar of the heart.
Your mind always sparkled
With wonder at things.

Though your days here were brief,
Your spirit was live, awake, complete.

We look towards each other no longer
From the old distance of our names;
Now you dwell inside the rhythm of breath,
As close to us as we are to ourselves.

Though we cannot see you with outward
eyes,
We know our soul's gaze is upon your face,
Smiling back at us from within everything
To which we bring our best refinement.

Let us not look for you only in memory,
Where we would grow lonely without you.
You would want us to find you in presence,
Beside us when beauty brightens,
When kindness glows
And music echoes eternal tones.

When orchids brighten the earth,
Darkest winter has turned to spring;
May this dark grief flower with hope
In every heart that loves you.

May you continue to inspire us:

To enter each day with a generous heart.
To serve the call of courage and love
Until we see your beautiful face again
In that land where there is no more
separation,
Where all tears will be wiped from our
mind,
And where we will never lose you again.

Please stand as you are able.

SHALL WE GATHER AT THE RIVER

HANSON PLACE

1 Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, where bright an - gel feet have trod,
 2 On the mar - gin of the riv - er, wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,
 3 Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;
 4 Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, soon our pil - grim - age will cease;

with its crys - tal tide for - ev - er flow - ing by the throne of God?
 we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day.
 grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro - vide a robe and crown.
 soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er with the mel - o - dy of peace.

Refrain

Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, the beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;

gath - er with the saints at the riv - er that flows by the throne of God.

GREETING

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

Please greet and welcome those near you.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Please stand as you are able.

IN THE SWEET BY AND BY

SWEET BY AND BY

1. There's a land that is fair - er than day, And by
2. We shall sing on that beau - ti - ful shore The me -
3. To our boun - ti - ful Fa - ther a - bove We will

faith we can see it a - far, For the Fa - ther waits o - ver the
lo - di - ous songs of the blest; And our spir - its shall sor - row no
of - fer our trib - ute of praise For the glo - ri - ous gift of His

way To pre - pare us a dwell - ing - place there.
more— Not a sigh for the bless - ing of rest.
love And the bless - ings that hal - low our days.

In the sweet by and by, We shall
In the sweet by and by, by and by,

meet on that beau - ti - ful shore; In the
 by and by,
 sweet by and by, We shall
 In the sweet by and by, by and by,
 meet on that beau - ti - ful shore.

PRAYER

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

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

READING

LUKE 6:20-31

The good news from God, according to Luke

In echoes of the prophet Isaiah and Mary's song of praise, Jesus reveals surprising things about who enjoys blessing and who endures woe. He invites his disciples to shower radical love, blessing, forgiveness, generosity, and trust even on enemies and outsiders.

²⁰Then [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹“Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

²²“Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

²⁴“But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

²⁵“Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

“Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶“Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

²⁷“But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you.”

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 All Saints Sunday: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18, Psalm 149, Ephesians 1:11-23.

Please be seated. Children are invited to come forward for the children's song and message.

CHILDREN'S SONG

LS 133

WE ARE THE CHURCH

Verse 1

WE ARE THE CHURCH

Refrain

I am the church! You are the church!

We are the church to - geth - er! All who fol - low Je - sus,

all a - round the world, yes, we're the church to - geth - er!

1 The church is not a build - ing, the
 2 We're man - y kinds of peo - ple with
 3 And when the peo - ple gath - er, there's
 4 At Pen - te - cost some peo - ple re -

church is not a stee - ple, the church is not a
 man - y kinds of fac - es, all col - ors and all
 sing - ing and there's pray - ing; there's laugh - ing and there's
 ceived the Ho - ly Spir - it and told the good news

Refrain

rest - ing place; the church is a peo - ple!
 a - ges too, from all times and plac - es.
 cry - ing some - times, all of it say - ing,
 through the world to all who would hear it.

CHILDREN'S TIME

MESSAGE

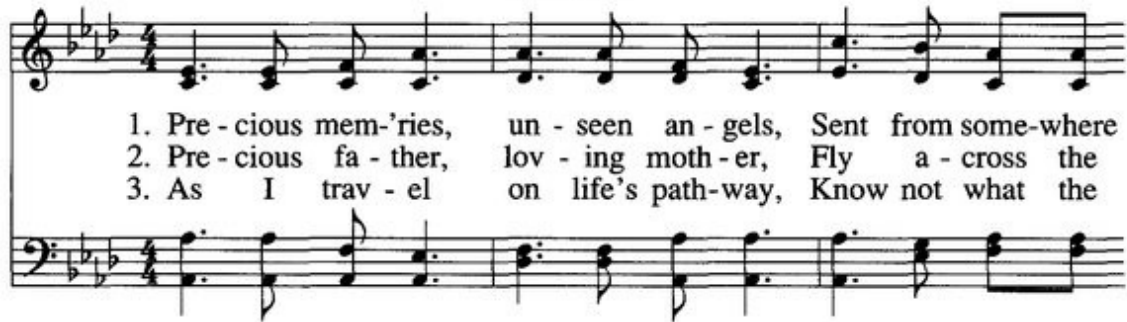
SERMON HYMN

Please stand as you are able and join in singing.

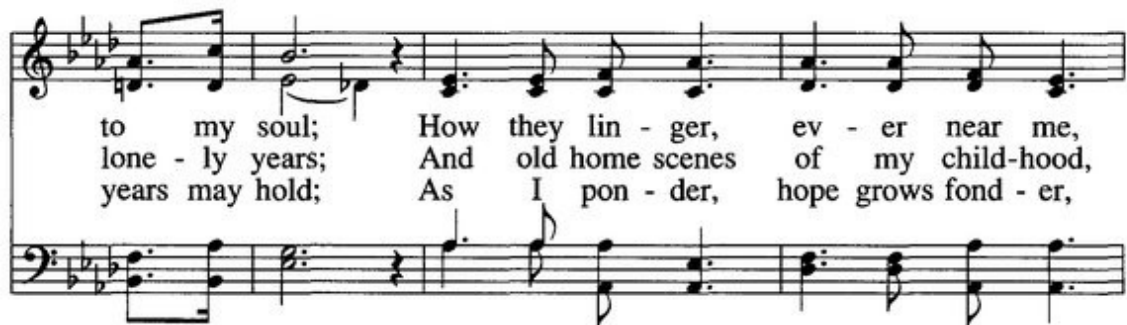
Prayer cards, which can be found in the pew pockets, are collected by the ushers during the hymn. Prayer requests may also be sent via email or text message to prayer@saintmartins.org.

PRECIOUS MEMORIES

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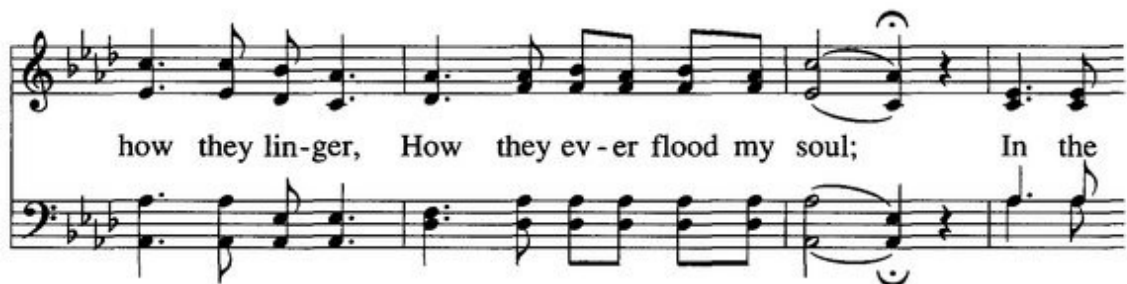
1. Pre - cious mem-'ries, un - seen an - gels, Sent from some-where
2. Pre - cious fa - ther, lov - ing moth - er, Fly a - cross the
3. As I trav - el on life's path-way, Know not what the



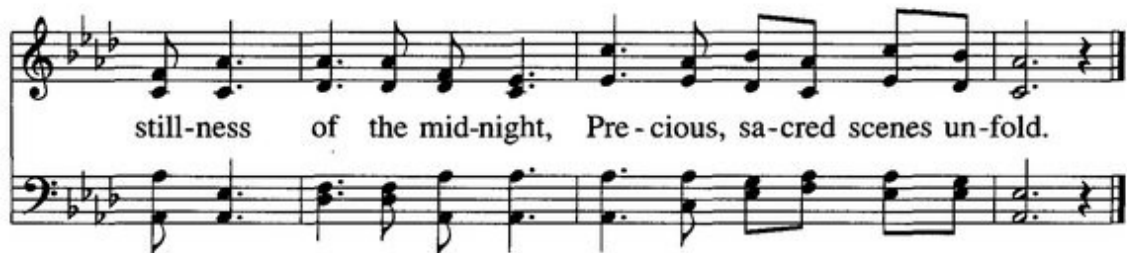
to my soul; How they lin - ger, ev - er near me,
lone - ly years; And old home scenes of my child-hood,
years may hold; As I pon - der, hope grows fond - er,



And the sa - cred past un - fold.
In fond mem - o - ry ap - pear. Pre - cious mem-'ries,
Pre - cious mem-'ries flood my soul.



how they lin-ger, How they ev-er flood my soul; In the



still-ness of the mid-night, Pre - cious, sa - cred scenes un - fold.

PRAYERS

Each petition ends with: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

SAINTS DEPARTED

November 6, 2021—November 6, 2022

Annette Sconci	November 2, 1931—November 6, 2021
Lottie Smith	February 10, 1924—November 13, 2021
Gerry Berens	July 8, 1943—November 18, 2021
Beth Orton	September 27, 1962—February 11, 2022
Zack Swenson	November 30, 1935—March 16, 2022
LaNell Brown	June 20, 1940—March 27, 2022
Patti Ball	May 27, 1946—May 2, 2022
Ozzie Wagner	July 30, 1940—June 13, 2022
Emily Berggren	March 10, 1930—July 8, 2022
Duane Nystrom	February 18, 1934—August 5, 2022
Penelope Felger	December 11, 1941—September 13, 2022
Iris Frierich	June 08, 1930—October 16, 2022

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

Please be seated.

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. To donate, go to saintmartins.org/giving or text "luther" and your gift amount to 73256.

MUSICAL OFFERING

NOT ONE SPARROW IS FORGOTTEN

ARR. WILLIAM HAWLEY

Not one sparrow is forgotten
E'en the raven God will feed
And the lily of the valley
From his bounty hath its need

Then shall I not trust thee, Father?
In thy mercy have a share?
And through faith and prayer, my Mother
Merit thy protecting care?

OFFERING PRAYER

Please stand as you are able.

Let us pray.

God, you have given us so much and we thank you for your generosity. Please use these gifts we bring to make our world better. 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

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

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.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Please be seated.

HOLY COMMUNION *Our communion table is open to all. Everyone is welcome to receive communion regardless of age or denomination. Please come forward to receive the bread then pick up a plastic cup before receiving wine. 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 let the communion assistants know.*

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

GO REST HIGH ON THAT MOUNTAIN

VINCE GILL

I know your life
On earth was troubled
And only you could know the pain
You weren't afraid to face the devil
You were no stranger to the rain
Go rest high on that mountain
Son your work on earth is done
Go to heaven a-shoutin'
Love for the Father and the Son

Oh, how we cried the day you left us
We gathered 'round your grave to grieve
Wish I could see the angels faces
When they hear your sweet voice sing
Go rest high on that mountain
Son your work on earth is done
Go to heaven a-shoutin'
Love for the Father and the Son

TABLE BLESSING

Please stand as you are able.

May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you today, tomorrow and always. **Amen.**

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Thank you for the gift of your body and blood that renews us so we can be your presence in our world. Amen

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please be seated

We recognize November birthdays
and anniversaries today.

Happy Birthday to you

To Jesus be true

May God bless you always

Happy Birthday to you.

BLESSING

Please stand as you are able.

God, who gives life to all things
and frees us from despair,
bless you with truth and peace.

And may the holy Trinity, + one God,
guide you always in faith, hope, and love. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

WILL THE CIRCLE BE UNBROKEN

There are loved ones in the glory
Whose dear forms you often miss.
When you close your earthly story,
Will you join them in their bliss?

Will the circle be unbroken
By and by, by and by?

There's a better home awaiting
In the sky, in the sky

In the joyous days of childhood
Oft they told of wondrous love

Pointed to the dying Saviour;
Now they dwell with Him above.

You can picture happy gath'ings
Round the fireside long ago,
And you think of tearful partings
When they left you here below.

One by one their seats were emptied.

One by one they went away.

Now the family is parted.

Will it be complete one day?

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

WILL THE CIRCLE BE UNBROKEN?

ADA HABERSHON & CHARLES GABRIEL

SERVING TODAY

Pastor Ellen Williams - *preaching*

- *assisting minister*

communion assistants

Tim O'Brien - *Director of Music*

St Martin's Choir

Katherine Altobello O'Brien, vocals; Sara Lam Sasaki - violin, Angelo Lembesis - piano; Andrew Fuhrman, drums; Darin Layne, guitar; Jay Clement, bass guitar -

musicians

Eddie Jennings - *video*

- *ushers*

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARTIN'S

Sunday, November 6

9:00 am Family Worship Service—All Saints Sunday

9:00 am Nursery open for children 0-4 years old.

10:00 am Faith Formation

11:00 am Traditional Worship Service—All Saints Sunday

Tuesday, November 8

9:00 am WELCA Tack & Pack

9:30 am Elizabeth Circle

Wednesday, November 9

1:00 pm Pastor's Book Study - Zoom

7:00 pm SMLC Choir rehearsal

8:30 pm SMLC Bell Choir rehearsal

Sunday, November 13

9:00 am Family Worship with Holy Communion

9:00 am Nursery open for children 0-4 years old.

10:00 am Faith Formation

11:00 am Traditional Worship with Holy Communion

12:15 pm Reception for Vicar Cecie—Fellowship Hall

ST. MARTIN'S PRAYERS

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Tom Hite; Pat; friends and family of Iris Friedrich; family of Danny Fetone; Paul Pelosi; Moe Sullivan; Joann Pitcher; Jim Montgomery; Wendy Simpson; Emily Ballenger; Rebekah Grimes; the Briddy Family; new class of recruits at the DPS Academy; Sarah and Evan; friends and family of Keith Frank ; Susan; Wayne Turley; Alan Gage; Rick Cabeza; Kay Inmon; family of Gianna Jewett; family of Kristine Rouse; Vachon family; Ellen and Steve; Apiyo Obala; family of Christina English; Lori Ludke Ashcraft; Kathryn

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR

Terry Adcock; Eric Bittner; Travis Bohmann; Patricia Byous; Eleanor and Dave; Ellen; Milton Felger; Sam Gourley; Dean Haynie; Ronnie Johnson; Peter Jordahl; Walt Knauff; Arvid Larson; Pat Larson; Doris McGaughy; Helen Pegg; Jeff Puskos; Betty Staehr; Ukrainian citizens and refugees.

TODAY

Stephen Ministry Sunday

This week we are celebrating over 40 years of service to the St. Martin's Community. Please join for fellowship with donuts, bagels, and coffee following the services and help us celebrate.

All Saints Sunday and Remembrance Table St. Martin's saints who have passed away during the last year will be honored during the services and also with a Remembrance Table in the sanctuary narthex.

THIS WEEK

November 6 Welca Tack and Pack Quilt Raffle Tickets for hand pieced quilts are sold between services on November 6, 13 and the 20th. Tickets are \$5 and the drawing will be held during the 11 am service on November 20th.

2023 Stewardship

2022 has been a challenging year. As individuals and families, we are living into the post-COVID new "normal" which continues to stretch us in all directions. At the same time, as the St. Martin's community, we came together to acknowledge the reality of our finances and begin to develop a path into the future. God has been with us through all the chaos and continues to be generous with us every day. Jacob's response to God's generosity in Genesis 28 was to commit a tenth of what he received as a thank offering to God. As we prepare for 2023, we invite you to consider how you will respond to God's generosity. **How would you like to thank God in 2023?** Please consider how you can give God thanks through your time, money, talents, and stuff. We will be offering our 2023 commitments on December 4th during both services.

Jacob made a vow, saying, "If God will be with me and will keep me in this way that I go and will give me bread to eat and clothing to wear, so that I come again to my father's house in peace, then the LORD shall be my God, and this stone, which I have set up for a pillar, shall be God's house, and of all that you give me I will surely give one-tenth to you." (Genesis 28:20-22)

THANK YOU

Thank you to the Stephen Ministers for bringing this week's snacks. If you'd like to sign up to bring food for our after worship fellowship contact adams.abigail.m@gmail.com

LOOKING AHEAD

November 19, 2:30 p.m., Thankful for Trivia!

Get ready for another afternoon of trivia at St. Martin's. This fun event is for all ages.

November 20 Christ the King and WELCA Thankoffering Sunday

December 4-10 Education Celebration Trip to Honduras

Join us on the Austin Helps Honduras (www.austinhelphonduras.org) Education Celebration Trip to Honduras. contact Bunny Oliver at boliver.art@gmail.com or Glen Anderson gaanderson@spcglobal.net

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