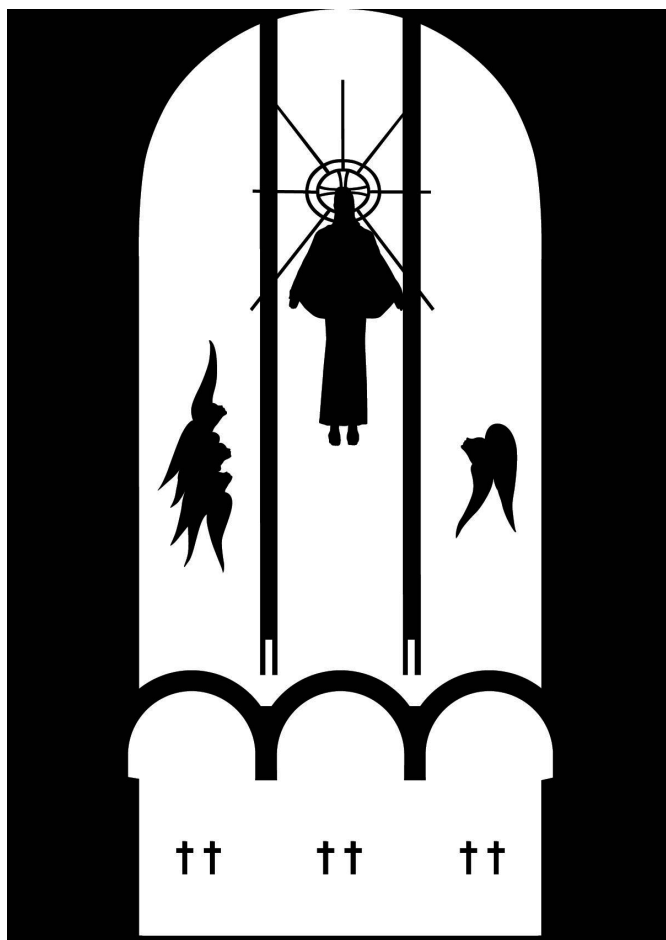


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# SIXTH SUNDAY IN EASTER

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!*

*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.*

*Families with small children may enjoy playing with toys on the Playground rug in the Narthex. The nursery is open for children 0-5 years. The joyful noise of our young ones is always welcome in this space.*

*Hearing Assistance Devices are available in the Narthex or you can listen through your smartphone. The ushers are available to help you.*

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

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## PRELUDE

PRELUDE ON TALLIS'S CANON

FRED GRAMANN

## GATHERING

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

### WELCOME

*The people stand as they are able.*

### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

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

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,  
who forgives all our sin,  
whose mercy endures forever.

**Amen.**

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

**We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.**

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. ...

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen.**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

ELW 391

THIS JOYFUL EASTERTIDE

VRUECHTEN

1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, a - way with sin and  
2 My flesh in hope shall rest and for a sea - son  
3 Death's flood has lost its chill since Je - sus crossed the

sor - - row! My love, the Cru - ci - fied, has  
slum - - ber till trump from east to west shall  
riv - - er. Lov - er of souls, from ill my

sprung to life this mor - - row.  
wake the dead in num - - ber.  
pass - ing soul de - liv - - er.

Refrain on next page

*Refrain*

Had Christ, who once was slain, not burst his three-day pris - on, our  
 faith had been in vain. But now has Christ a - ris - en, a -  
 ris - en, a - ris - en, a - ris - en, a - ris - en, a - ris - en, a - ris - en.

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.**

ANTHEM OF PRAISE

*The people are seated*

I WILL NOT LEAVE YOU COMFORTLESS

WILLIAM BYRD

I will not leave you comfortless. I will come to you. Alleluia

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

*The people stand as they are able.*

Let us pray. **Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, 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.*

*The people are seated*

### FIRST READING

ACTS 17:22-31

<sup>22</sup>Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. <sup>23</sup>For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. <sup>24</sup>The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, <sup>25</sup>nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. <sup>26</sup>From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, <sup>27</sup>so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. <sup>28</sup>For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said,

‘For we too are his offspring.’

<sup>29</sup>Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. <sup>30</sup>While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, <sup>31</sup>because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

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

<sup>13</sup>Who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? <sup>14</sup>But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, <sup>15</sup>but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; <sup>16</sup>yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. <sup>17</sup>For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. <sup>18</sup>For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, <sup>19</sup>in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, <sup>20</sup>who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. <sup>21</sup>And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, <sup>22</sup>who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

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

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*The people stand as they are able.*

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

## GOSPEL

JOHN 14:15-21

The holy gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

[Jesus said to the disciples:] <sup>15</sup>“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. <sup>17</sup>This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

<sup>18</sup>“I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. <sup>19</sup>In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. <sup>20</sup>On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. <sup>21</sup>They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## CHILDREN'S SONG

*The people are seated. Children are invited to come forward for the children's time.*

### JESUS IN THE MORNING

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1 Je - sus, Je - sus, Je - sus in the morn-ing, Je - sus in the noon-time;  
3 Love him, love him, love him in the morn-ing, love him in the noon-time;



Je - sus, Je - sus, Je - sus when the sun goes down.  
love him, love him, love him when the sun goes down.

## CHILDREN'S TIME

## SERMON

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*The people stand to sing. Prayer cards are collected by the ushers during the hymn. Prayer requests may also be sent via email or text message to [prayer@saintmartins.org](mailto:prayer@saintmartins.org).*





1 Womb of life and source of be - ing, home of ev - 'ry rest - less  
 2 Word in flesh, our broth - er Je - sus, born to bring us sec - ond  
 3 Brood - ing Spir - it, move a - mong us; be our part - ner, be our  
 4 Moth - er, Broth - er, ho - ly Part - ner; Fa - ther, Spir - it, On - ly



heart, in your arms the worlds a - wak - ened; you have  
 birth, you have come to stand be - side us, know - ing  
 friend. When our mem - 'ry fails, re - mind us whose we  
 Son: we would praise your name for - ev - er, One - in -



loved us from the start. We, your chil - dren, gath - er  
 weak - ness, know - ing earth. Priest who shares our hu - man  
 are, what we in - tend. La - bor with us; aid the  
 Three and Three - in - One. We would share your life, your



round you, at the ta - ble you pre - pare. Shar - ing  
 strug - gles, Life of life and Death of death, ris - en  
 birth - ing of the new world yet to be, free of  
 pas - sion, share your word of world made new, ev - er



sto - ries, tears, and laugh - ter, we are nur - tured by your care.  
 Christ, come stand a - mong us, send the Spir - it by your breath.  
 ser - vant, lord, and mas - ter, free for love and u - ni - ty.  
 sing - ing, ev - er prais - ing, one with all, and one with you.

## 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

*Respond to each petition with: Hear us O God. **Your mercy is great***

## PEACE

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

*The people greet each other, saying "Peace be with you" or similar*

# MEAL

*God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ*

## AT THE TABLE

BE PRESENT AT OUR TABLE LORD

OLD HUNDREDTH

Be pre - sent at our ta - ble Lord; be here and ev - ery - where a - dored; these  
mer - cies bless, and grant that we may strength - end for thy ser - vice be.

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The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a treble and bass staff with a 4/4 time signature and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: "Be pre - sent at our ta - ble Lord; be here and ev - ery - where a - dored; these". The second system starts with a measure number "5" above the treble staff. The lyrics continue: "mer - cies bless, and grant that we may strength - end for thy ser - vice be." The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with block chords and single notes.

## AT THE TABLE REFLECTION

*Throughout 2023, members of our congregation share on our Stewardship theme “At the Table”.*

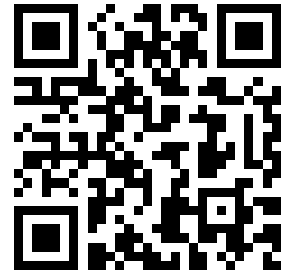
It's not too much of a stretch to say that I had two mothers. My mom and her sister Barb often thought of themselves as twins born four years apart. They looked and sounded alike, shared tastes in clothing and entertainment, and they were both wonderful, supportive role models. There's a picture I treasure of them both making my Grandmother's pickle recipe, each pouring hot brine into jars, one right-handed, and one left-handed, like mirror images of one another. Those pickles, and so many other delicious dishes prepared with love, ended up on our family table as we would gather for celebrations throughout the year. Barb has passed now, but the taste of the family pickle recipe, along with the thought of the pickle tray on every gathering table, always brings her memory, along with Grandma's, to our hearts with a tart, delicious crunch.

Tim O'Brien

## OFFERING

*The people are seated.*

*St. Martin's and its ministries are supported by our offerings of ourselves, our time, and our possessions. We give now as God has so graciously given to us. To donate, go to [saintmartins.org/giving](http://saintmartins.org/giving) or scan the QR code.*



## MUSICAL OFFERING

IF YE LOVE ME

THOMAS TALLIS

If ye love me, keep my commandments,  
and I will pray the Father,  
and he shall give you another comforter,  
that he may bide with you forever,  
e'en the spirit of Truth.

## OFFERING HYMN

*The people stand as they are able.*

1 Lov - ing Spir - it, lov - ing Spir - it, you have cho - sen me to be—  
 2 Like a moth - er you en - fold me, hold my life with - in your own,

you have drawn me to your won - der, you have set your sign on me.  
 feed me with your ver - y bod - y, form me of your flesh and bone.

## OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together,

**Generous God, in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth. In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff has two measures, the second and third have two measures each, and the fourth has two measures. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.', 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.', 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.', and 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.'

## PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, ... and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. The melody is more complex than the Thanksgiving hymn, with lyrics written below each staff. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,', 'heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.', 'Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes', and 'in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.'

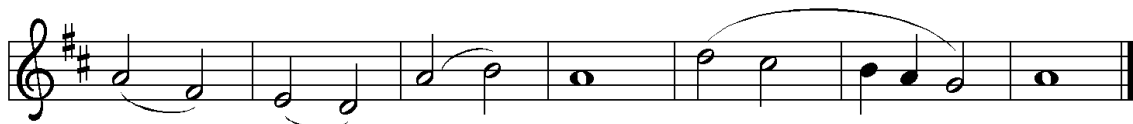
## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. ...  
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 ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, ...  
To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever.



A - men, a - men, a - men.

## THE 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.**

**as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

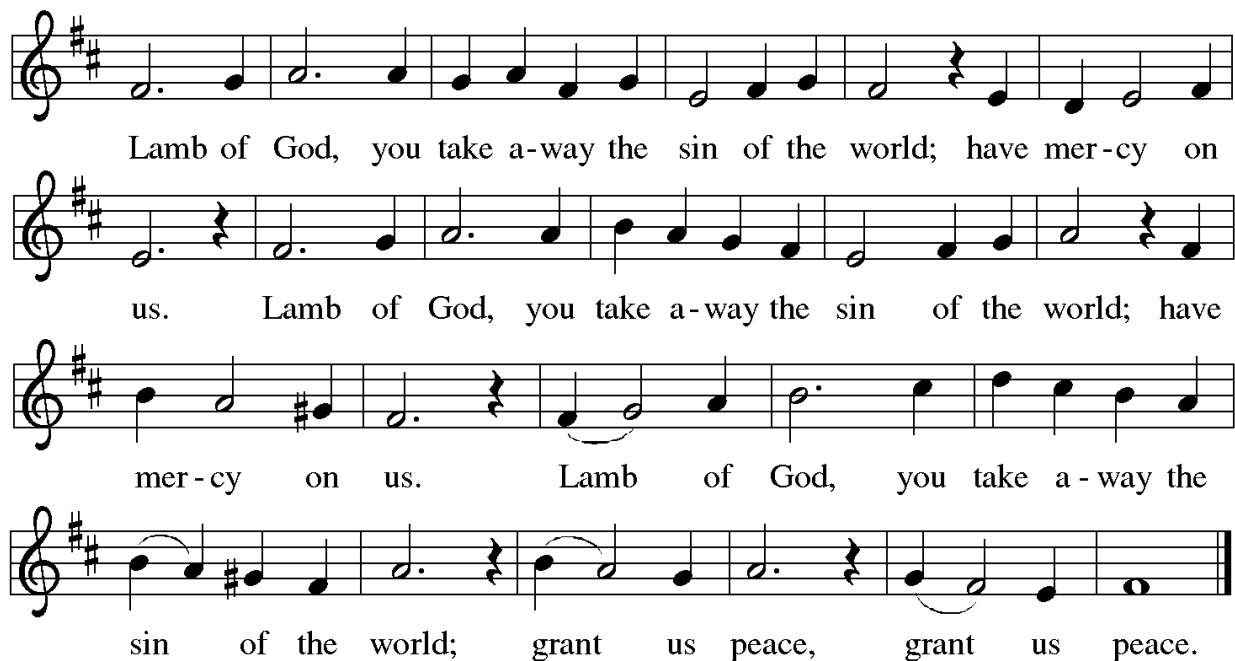
**Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,**

**For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*The people are seated. Our communion table is open to all. Everyone is welcome to receive communion regardless of age or denomination. You will receive the bread in your hands, please consume and then pick up a plastic cup to receive the wine. Grape juice cups are in the center of each tray. Gluten free bread is available. If you prefer to remain in your seat, please pick up a communion cup in the narthex or ask an usher to let the minister know to bring communion to you. A Stephen Minister will be in front near the pulpit to offer healing prayer during communion.*

## AGNUS DEI



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on  
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

## HOLY COMMUNION

### MUSIC AT COMMUNION

*AN MEINEM HERZEN, AN MEINER BRUST*

ROBERT SCHUMANN

*An meinem Herzen, an meiner Brust,  
Du meine Wonne, du meine Lust!  
Das Glück ist die Liebe, die Lieb' ist das  
Glück,  
Ich hab' es gesagt und nehm's nicht  
zurück. Hab' übergücklich mich geschätzt  
Bin übergücklich aber jetzt.  
Nur die da säugt, nur die da liebt Das  
Kind, dem sie die Nahrung giebt; Nur eine  
Mutter weiß allein, Was lieben heißt und  
glücklich sein.  
O, wie bedaur' ich doch den Mann, Der  
Mutterglück nicht fühlen kann! [Du  
schauest mich an und lächelst dazu, Du  
lieber, lieber Engel, du!]<sup>3</sup> An meinem Her-  
zen, an meiner Brust, Du meine Wonne,  
du meine Lust!*

At my heart, at my breast,  
you my rapture, my happiness!  
The joy is the love, the love is the joy!

I've thought myself rapturous, but now  
I'm happy beyond that.

One who nurses, one that loves the child  
to whom she gives nourishment, a moth-  
er knows especially what it is to love and  
be happy.

At my heart, at my breast, thou my rap-  
ture, my happiness!



# TABLE BLESSING

*The people stand as they are able.*

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

## NUNC DIMITTIS



Lord, now you let your ser - vant go in peace;  
your word has been ful - filled. My own eyes have  
seen the sal - va - tion which you have pre - pared  
in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -  
veal you to the na - tions and the glo - ry of your  
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry to the  
Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it,  
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will  
be for - ev - er. A - men

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together.

**Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name. Amen.**

## SENDING

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*The people are seated.*

INSTALLATION OF BUSINESS MANAGER KATHERINE LUTTER

## BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

Happy Birthday to you

To Jesus be true

May God bless you always

Happy Birthday to you!

## BLESSING

*The people stand as they are able.*

The God of all,

who raised + Jesus from the dead,

bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit

to live in the new creation.

**Amen.**

## SENDING HYMN

# LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING

ELW 631  
HYFRYDOL

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 -  
 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!

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve in love. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

CHORALE PRELUDE ON *HYFRYDOL* (LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING)  
RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS

## SERVING TODAY

Pastor Ellen Williams - *presiding*

Vicar Cecie Suknaic Saulnier - *preaching/assisting minister*

Lisa Stafford - *lector*

Anna Bergstrom, Jennifer Anderson - *communion assistants*

Seth Salmon, Sam Archer - *acolytes*

Tim O'Brien - *Director of Music*

Austin Haller - *Organist & Associate Director of Music*

St. Martin's Choir

Jenny Ohrstrom, June Julian, *soprano*;

Katherine Altobello O'Brien, *mezzo-soprano*;

Jameson James, *tenor*; Gil Zilkha, Steve Olivares *bass*

St. Martin's Ringers

Susie Cobb, Brian Powell, Lynn Powell, Michelle McGovern,

Matt Wall, Andrew Fuhrman, Carey Henderson, Viera Buzgova,

Christina Martin, Abby Adams, David Cross, Ed Ryan, Mike Kaase

Norm Hummell - *ushers*