MAY 28, 2023 10:00 AM

PENTECOST SUNDAY



ST. MARTIN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
606 W 15TH STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS
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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!

We welcome you to our Family 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 may enjoy playing with toys on the Prayground 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 happy to help you.

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

PRELUDE

PREAMBLE FOR A SOLEMN OCCASION

AARON COPLAND

GATHERING

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

WELCOME

Please take a moment to greet your neighbors as we begin to worship together.

MUSICAL REFLECTION HIGHER LOVE

STEVE WINWOOD

REFLECTION

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

HOLY SPIRIT OF FIRE ENGLISH VERSION BY IVAN M. GRANGER

BY HILDEGARD VON BINGEN ORIGINAL LANGUAGE LATIN

O Holy Spirit of Fire, life in the life of all life, holy are you, enlivening all things.

Holy are you,
a healing balm
to the broken.
Holy are you,
washing
blistered wounds.

O Holy Breath,
O Fire of Life,
O Sweetness in my breast
infusing my heart
with the fine scent of truth.

O Pure Fountain through which we know God unites strangers and gathers the lost.

O Heart's Shield, guarding life and hope, joining the many members into one body; Belt of Truth, wrap them in beauty. Protect those ensnared by the enemy, and free the worthy from their fetters.

O Great Way that runs through all, from the heights, across the earth, and in the depths, you encompass all and unify all.

From you the clouds stream
and the ether rises;
from your stones precious water
pours,
springs well and birth waterways,
and the earth sweats green with
life.

And eternally do you bring forth knowledge by the breath of wisdom.

All praise to you, you who are the song of praise and the joy of life, you who are hope and the greatest treasure, bestowing the gift of Light.

COME DOWN, O LOVE DIVINE

DOWN AMPNEY



GREETING

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

Amen

PRAYER

Let us pray. O God, on this day you open the hearts of your faithful people by sending into us your Holy Spirit. Direct us by the light of that Spirit, that we may have a right judgment in all things and rejoice at all times in your peace, through Jesus Christ, your Son and our 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.

PSALM

PSALM 104:24-34. 35B

²⁴How manifold are your works, O Lord!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

- ²⁵Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.
- ²⁶There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.
- ²⁷All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.
- ²⁸You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- ²⁹When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.
- ³⁰You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.
- ³¹May the glory of the LORD endure forever;

O LORD, rejoice in all your works.

- ³²You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.
- ³³I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.
- ³⁴May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the LORD.
- 35bBless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah!

READING ACTS 2:1-21

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. ⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? 8And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? 9Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs — in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." 12 All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" 13But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

18 Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

19 And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

20 The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

21 Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

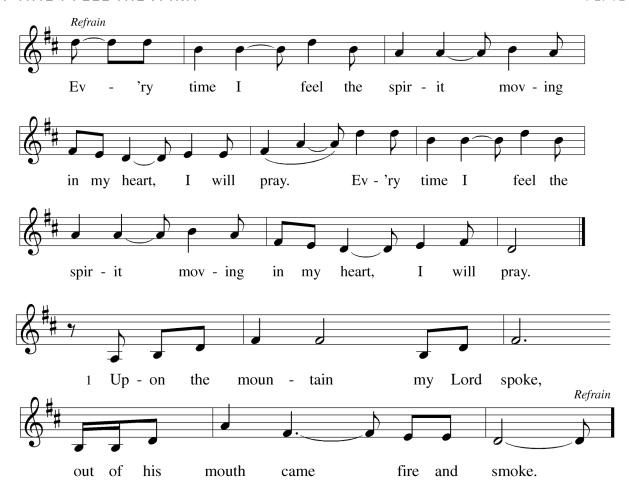
Word of God, word of Life. Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S SONG

Please be seated. Children are invited to come forward for the children's time with the Pastor.

EVERY TIME I FEEL THE SPIRIT

PENTECOST



CHILDREN'S TIME

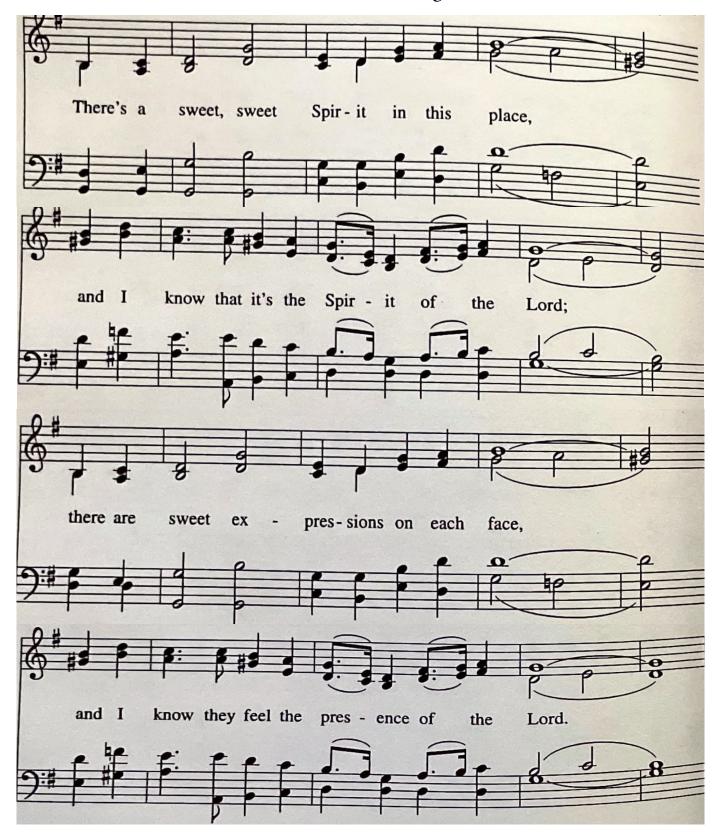
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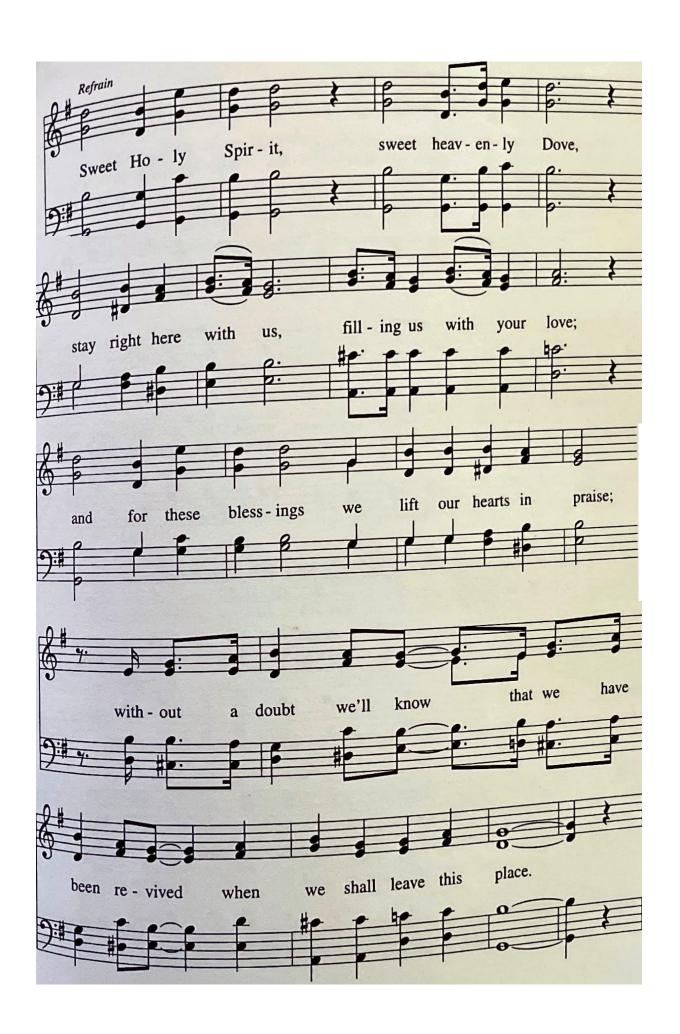
HYMN OF THE DAY

Please stand as you are able.

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.

THERE'S A SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT IN THIS PLACE (sung twice)





BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION, AND RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS.

Please be seated as those being baptized, confirmed and recognized come forward. PRESENTATION

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Please stand as you are able.

I ask all of you, parents and sponsors, confirmands, new members and members of the St. Martin's community to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God? Response: **I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God? Response: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God? Response: I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, holy God. ... through our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Please be seated.

BAPTISM of Amelia Ray Elizabeth Harris

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (CONFIRMATION) of Samuel Lawrence Archer and Julian Craig Chartier.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS Richard and Dawn Denne; August, Audrey, Lucca and Dylan Ench; Robert Harlan; Jon, Connally, Henry and Breda Lees; Larrilyn and Michael Reissig; Stephanie and Ted Schweinfurth

WELCOME

Let us rejoice with the newly baptized, the newly confirmed, the newly received members of our community, all of whom are our siblings in Christ.

We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

Applause

PASSING OF THE LIGHT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Please stand as you are able. Amelia's baptism candle, lit from the Christ Candle, lights the candles of Sam and Julian, who will light the candles of our new members and begin to light the candles of our congregation members. Please apply the unlit candle to the lit candle, keeping the lit candle upright at all times.

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PRAYERS

Please continue holding your lit candle through the prayers. Each petition ends with: Come Holy Spirit, Your power is great.

PEACE

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

Please extinguish candles and greet each other, saying "Peace be with you" or similar

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God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Please be seated.

BE PRESENT AT OUR TABLE LORD

OLD HUNDREDTH



AT THE TABLE REFLECTION

Throughout 2023, members of our congregation share on our Stewardship theme "At the Table".

As someone who has always worked in political or political adjacent jobs, to me "at the table" means being involved in the conversations where decisions are made. It means being in a position of enough power or importance to be involved in the conversations that really matter.

Not being at the table means being powerless to affect change. As a part of this church community I see this "at the table" effort is a way to engage the full church community – not only in building the community – but ultimately in making important decisions about our future as a church.

Terrell Halaska Dunn

OFFERING

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 electronically, go to saintmartins.org/giving or scan the QR code.



MUSICAL OFFERING

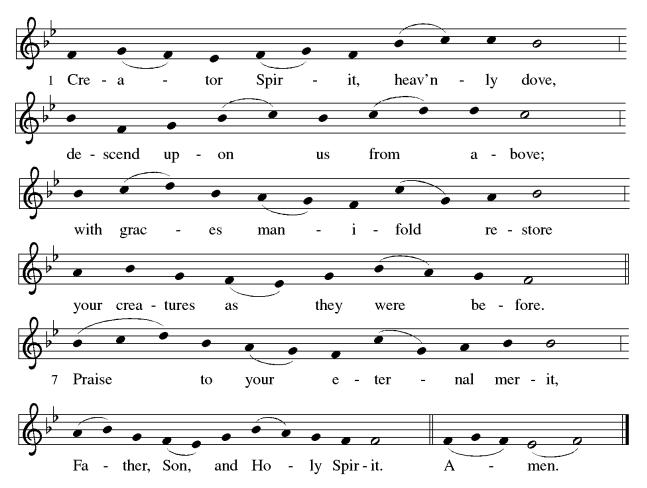
CATCH ON FIRE TRADITIONAL

OFFERING HYMN

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CREATOR SPIRIT, HEAVENLY DOVE

VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS



OFFERING PRAYER

Please stand as you are able.

Let us pray.

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 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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

O God triune, how majestic...

The earth is full of your glory.

The earth is full of your glory.

O God triune, you took on our flesh in Jesus our healer.... we mortals sing our song:
The earth is full of your glory.

The earth is full of your glory.

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.

Gathered around this table, we your children unite in this song: The earth is full of your glory. The earth is full of your glory.

O God triune, you create the worlds,... to praise you again:
The earth is full of your glory.
The earth is full of your glory.

Amen, and amen. Amen, and amen.

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;

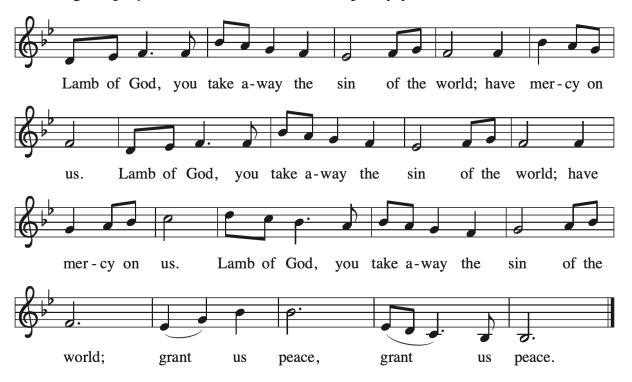
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO HOLY 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. You are welcome to light a prayer candle in the north transept (left front).



MUSIC AT COMMUNION

DEEP RIVER

AFRICAN AMERICAN SPIRITUAL



TABLE BLESSING

Please stand as you are able.

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Let us pray. We thank you, O God, that you have strengthened our hearts through this feast of life and salvation. Shine the light of Christ on our path, that we may do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you, now and forever. Amen

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please be seated.

Please join in a celebratory potluck lunch immediately following the service in the Fellowship Hall.

BLESSING

Please stand as you 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.

We light our candles again as a reminder that we are taking the light of God, the love of Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit with us as we leave to live our everyday lives.



DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the light of Christ in the world. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE
FESTIVAL TOCCATA

PERCY E. FLETCHER

SERVING TODAY

Pastor Ellen Williams - preaching/presiding
Cecie Suknaic Saulnier - assisting minister
Whitney Myers - communion assistants
-acolytes

Tim O'Brien - Director of Music

Austin Haller - Organist & Associate Director of Music

Anthony Ashley - soloist

St. Martin's Choir

Jenny Ohrstrom, June Julian - soprano;

Katherine Altobello O'Brien - mezzo-soprano

Jameson James - tenor

Gil Zilkha, Steve Olivares - bass

Andrew Fuhrman- drums, Darin Layne - guitar James Suter - bass - *musicians*

> Viera Buzgova - *video* Norm Hummell - *ushers*

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