

AUGUST 20, 2023

10:00 AM

COMMUNITY 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 Summer 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 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 assist devices are available. Ask an usher for help.

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

PRELUDE

CHAMELEON

HERBIE HANCOCK

GATHERING

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

WELCOME

REFLECTION

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

A TIME TO TALK

ROBERT FROST

When a friend calls to me from the road
And slows his horse to a meaning walk,
I don't stand still and look around
On all the hills I haven't hoed,
And shout from where I am, What is it?

No, not as there is a time to talk.
I thrust my hoe in the mellow ground,
Blade-end up and five feet tall,
And plod: I go up to the stone wall
For a friendly visit.

GATHERING HYMN

Please stand as you are able.

COME SUNDAY

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Refrain

Sav-ior God a - bove, God al - might-y, God of love,

8va

Detailed description: This system contains the first line of the hymn. It features a vocal line in treble clef and a piano accompaniment in grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are "Sav-ior God a - bove, God al - might-y, God of love,". A dynamic marking of "8va" is placed above the final notes of the piano accompaniment.

Last time, end

please look down and see my peo - ple through.

Detailed description: This system contains the second line of the hymn. It features a vocal line in treble clef and a piano accompaniment in grand staff. The lyrics are "please look down and see my peo - ple through." The piano accompaniment includes a fermata over the final chord. A dynamic marking of "p." is placed below the final notes of the piano accompaniment.

1 I be-lieve that God put sun and moon up in the sky.
3 I be-lieve God is now, was then, and al-ways will be.

Detailed description: This system contains the first two lines of the verse. It features a vocal line in treble clef and a piano accompaniment in grand staff. The lyrics are "1 I be-lieve that God put sun and moon up in the sky." and "3 I be-lieve God is now, was then, and al-ways will be." The piano accompaniment includes a fermata over the final chord. A dynamic marking of "p." is placed below the final notes of the piano accompaniment.

to Refrain

I don't mind the gray skies, 'cause they're just clouds pass-ing by.
With God's bless-ing we can make it through e - ter - ni - ty.

to Refrain

Detailed description: This system contains the final line of the hymn. It features a vocal line in treble clef and a piano accompaniment in grand staff. The lyrics are "I don't mind the gray skies, 'cause they're just clouds pass-ing by." and "With God's bless-ing we can make it through e - ter - ni - ty." The piano accompaniment includes a fermata over the final chord. A dynamic marking of "p." is placed below the final notes of the piano accompaniment.

GREETING

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

MUSICAL PRAISE

THE PREACHER

HORACE SILVER

PRAYER

Let us pray. **God of all peoples, your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you. Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy, that your name may be known throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

WORD

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

PSALM

PSALM 67

¹May God be merciful to us and bless us;
may the light of God's face shine upon us.

²**Let your way be known upon earth,
your saving health among all nations.**

³Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

⁴**Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations on earth.**

⁵Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

⁶**The earth has brought forth its increase;
God, our own God, has blessed us.**

⁷May God give us blessing,
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe
Amen

CHILDREN'S SONG

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

WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS

CONVERSE



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit; oh, what need-less pain we bear—
all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!

CHILDREN'S TIME

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Please stand to sing 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.



1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a shout of joy:
 2 Christ is a - ble to make us one, at the ta - ble he sets the tone,
 3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a world of doubt,



bread is bro - ken, the wine is poured, Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.
 teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex - press.
 gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Im - man - u - el) ev - 'ry - where!

Refrain



Je - sus lives a - gain, earth can breathe a - gain, pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

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 THE PEOPLE

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

PEACE

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

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

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Please be seated.

AS WE GATHER AT YOUR TABLE

IN BABILONE



1 As we gath-er at your ta - ble, as we lis - ten to your word,
help us know, O God, your pres-ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
Nour - ish us with sa - cred sto - ry till we claim it as our own;
teach us through this ho - ly ban-quet how to make Love's vic - t'ry known.

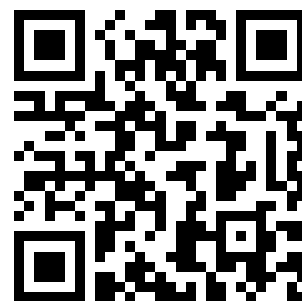
AT THE TABLE REFLECTION

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

Furniture designers created the “Jazz Table” with a single center leg and X base to allow people to gather together without being restricted by table legs. The jazz table, like jazz music, encourages creativity, improvisation and community. It’s great that God’s table is welcoming and without restrictions too. Anonymous

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

GODCHILD

MILES DAVIS

OFFERING PRAYER

Please stand as you are able.

Let us pray.

God of the harvest, receive these gifts of the earth and human labor with the offering of our hearts. Feed us with your bread and cup, that we may be signs of your gracious life made known in Jesus 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:

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

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).



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.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

T.G.T.T. FROM *SECOND SACRED CONCERT*

DUKE ELLINGTON

T.G.T.T. stands for "Too good to title", evoking a kind of inexpressibility that Ellington saw as applicable to Jesus. In its original version, this stunning melody was sung without words by soprano Alice Babs.

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. **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.

BLESSING

Please stand as you are able.

The peace of God,
which surpasses all understanding,
keep your hearts and your minds
in + Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

ELW 697

JUST A CLOSER WALK WITH THEE

VILLE DU HAVRE

Refrain Just a clos - er walk with thee, grant it, Je - sus, is my plea;
1 I am weak but thou art strong: Je - sus, keep me from all wrong;
2 Through this world of toil and snares, if I fal - ter, Lord, who cares?
3 When my fee - ble life is o'er, time for me will be no more;

dai - ly walk - ing close to thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.
I'll be sat - is - fied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee. *Ref.*
Who with me my bur - den shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee. *Ref.*
guide me gent - ly, safe - ly o'er to thy king - dom shore, to thy shore. *Ref.*

SENDING PRAYER

O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

ALL GOD'S CHILLUN GOT RHYTHM

JURMANN/KAHN/KAPER

SERVING TODAY

Pastor Ellen Williams - *preaching/presiding*

Kathy Edgar - *assisting minister*

- *communion assistants*

- *acolytes*

Linda Zander - *Stephen Minister*

Tim O'Brien - *Director of Music*

Austin Haller - *Organist & Associate Director of Music*

St. Martin's Jazz

Andre Hayward, trombone; Joey Colarusso, saxophone;

Angelo Lembesis, piano; Darin Layne, guitar;

Utah Hamrick, bass; Andrew Fuhrman, drums

Eddie Jennings - *video*

Norm Hummell - *ushers*