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# 2ND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY



ST. MARTIN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH 606 W 15<sup>TH</sup> STREET, AUSTIN, TEXAS WWW.SAINTMARTINS.ORG

# 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 0-4 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**

# 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.

Believe This Richard Levine

## GATHERING SONG

Please stand as you are able.



#### GREETING

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

#### Amen

Please take a moment to say hello to those near you.

#### PRAYER

Let us pray together. Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

# WORD

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

READING JOHN 1:43-51

The holy gospel according to John.

## Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>43</sup>The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." <sup>44</sup>Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. <sup>45</sup>Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." <sup>46</sup>Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." <sup>47</sup>When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" <sup>48</sup>Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." <sup>49</sup>Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" <sup>50</sup>Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." <sup>51</sup>And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

# CHILDREN'S SONG

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

#### THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE

THIS JOY



CHILDREN'S TIME

MESSAGE

#### 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.



#### **PRAYERS**

Each petition ends with: God of grace, receive our prayer

# MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

#### 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,



#### MUSICAL OFFERING

IF YOU'RE READY (COME GO WITH ME)

CARL MITCHELL HAMPTON, HOMER BANKS, RAYMOND E. JACKSON

If you're ready come go with me

No hatred

Will be tolerated

Peace love among the races

Love is the only transportation

To where there's communications

If you're ready come go with me

The boat is after

The ever here to there

No wars will ever be declared

No economical exploitation

No political domination

Come go with me

# 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

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth, ... our Savior who comes to us in his body and blood.

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.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. 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

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 cup to receive 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. A Stephen Minister will be in front near the pulpit to offer healing prayer during communion. You are invited to light a prayer candle on the table near the altar.

#### MUSIC AT COMMUNION

#### IF IT BE YOUR WILL

LEONARD COHEN

If it be your will
That I speak no more
And my voice be still
As it was before

I will speak no more I shall abide until I am spoken for If it be your will

If it be your will
That a voice be true
From this broken hill
I will sing to you

From this broken hill
All your praises they shall ring
If it be your will
To let me sing

From this broken hill
All your praises they shall ring
If it be your will
To let me sing

If it be your will
If there is a choice
Let the rivers fill
Let the hills rejoice

Let your mercy spill
On all these burning hearts in hell
If it be your will
To make us well

And to draw us near And bind us tight All your children here In their rags of light

In our rags of light All dressed to kill And end this night If it be your will

#### 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 together.

Giver of every gift, Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever. Amen

# SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please be seated.

The children are dismissed at 9:45am to go to the Chapel.

## 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.



#### DISMISSAL

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

**POSTLUDE** 

# SERVING TODAY

Pastor Ellen Williams - preaching/presiding
Ann Howard - assisting minister
Gus Friedrich, Merrick Santana,
Lucy Friedrich, Elise Santana - communion assistants
Tim Fackler - Stephen Minister

Tim O'Brien - Director of Music

Austin Haller - Assistant Director of Music

Katherine Altobello O'Brien, vocals; Angelo Lembesis, piano;

Andrew Fuhrman, drums; Darin Layne, guitar; Jay Clement, bass - musicians

Eddie Jennings - *video*Mike Kaase - *sound*Bob Gibbons, Tim Fackler - *ushers*Ann Henry, Connie Grosskopf, Bill Grosskopf - *Altar Guild*Debbie Alkire - *Welcome Center*Nick Lee - *fellowship snacks*