

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 19, 2025

10 AM



SAINT MARTIN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
Annapolis, Maryland

PRELUDE *Christus, der ist mein Leben (Christ, He is my life)* - J.S. Bach (BWV 1112)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS - Pastor

(Please stand as you are able)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS - Pastor

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

Amen.

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin
in the presence of God and of one another.

(Silence is kept for reflection)

1 John 1:8

Merciful and loving God,

we are a stubborn people.

We neglect the poor and the needy.

We grumble about your grace to others.

We turn away from the stranger.

Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.

Rejoice over us as ones who were lost and have been found.

Amen.

Even when we fall short, God's love never fails.

Jesus Christ came into the world to bring us back to God.

You who were lost are found,

you who were bound are free.

In the name of ☩ Jesus, your sins are forgiven.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Day by Day

ELW 790

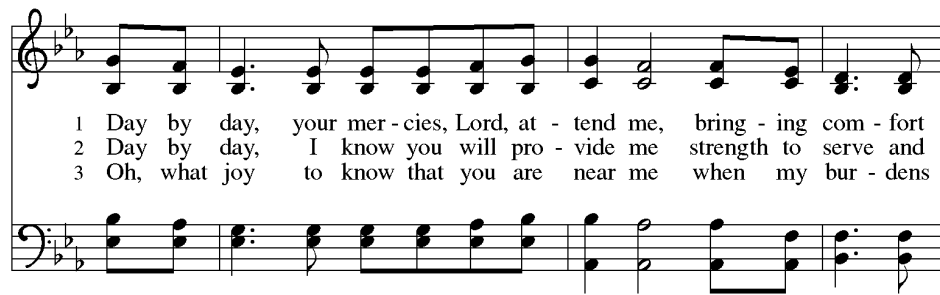
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2 Corinthians
13:13-14

GREETING - Pastor

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.**

Day by Day



1 Day by day, your mer - cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing com - fort
 2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me strength to serve and
 3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my bur - dens



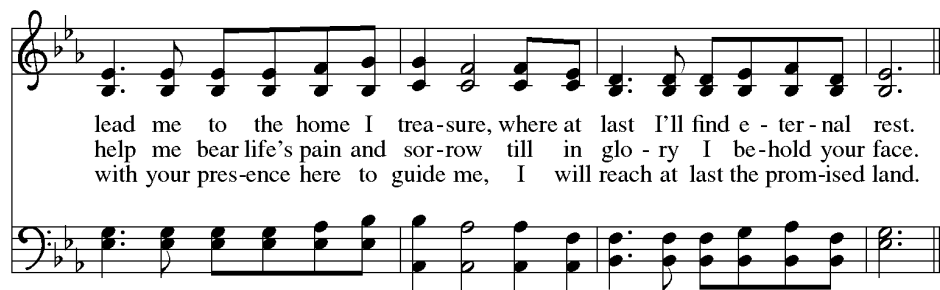
to my anx-ious soul. Day by day, the bless-ings, Lord, you send me
 wis - dom to o - bey; I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me
 grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me



draw me near - er to my heav'n-ly goal. Love di - vine, be - yond all
 o'er the paths I strug - gle day by day. I will fear no e - vil
 when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer. Day by day, no mat - ter



mor - tal mea - sure, brings to naught the bur - dens of my quest; Sav - ior,
 of the mor - row, I will trust in your en - dur - ing grace. Sav - ior,
 what be - tide me, you will hold me ev - er in your hand. Sav - ior,



lead me to the home I trea - sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest.
 help me bear life's pain and sor - row till in glo - ry I be - hold your face.
 with your pres - ence here to guide me, I will reach at last the prom - ised land.

Glory to God, Glory in the Highest

Leader
Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high-est!

All
Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high-est!

Leader All
To God be glo-ry for-ev-er! To God be glo-ry for-ev-er!

Leader Leader
Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

Group 1 Group 1, 2
Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

Leader
Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

Group 1, 2, 3
Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

This prayer "collects"
the theme of the day.

PRAYER OF THE DAY - Assisting Minister

O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

This reading is
typically from the
Hebrew Scriptures,
which Jesus often
quoted.

THE FIRST LESSON - Lector

Genesis 32:22-31

²² The same night [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³ He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴ Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵ When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶ Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷ So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸ Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans and have prevailed." ²⁹ Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰ So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, yet my life is preserved." ³¹ The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

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

The psalms are prayers that Jesus used and cover every mood of humanity's relationship with God and one another. Psalms are the hymnbooks of the children of Israel

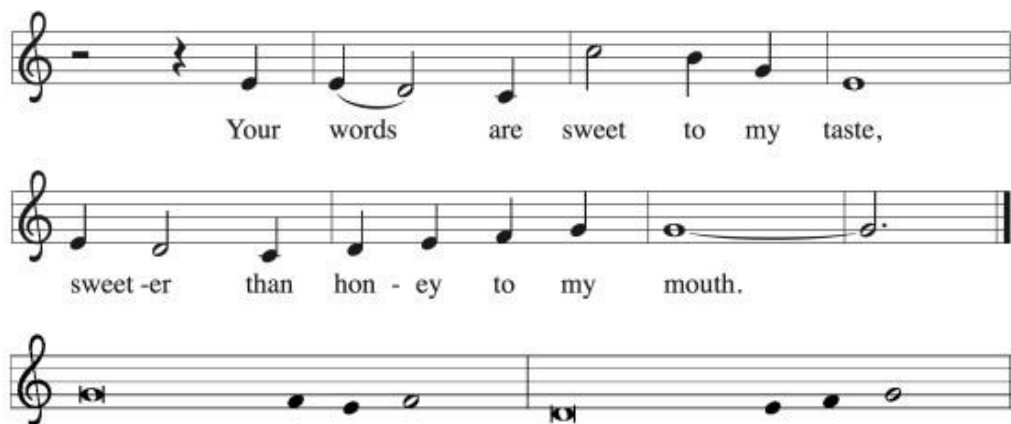
THE PSALM (All Sing Together)

Psalm 119:97-104

L = Ladies

M = Men

A = All



- M ⁹⁷ Oh, how I [|] love your teaching!
All the day long it is [|] in my mind.
- A ⁹⁸ Your commandment has made me wiser [|] than my enemies,
for it is [|] always with me.
- L ⁹⁹ I have more understanding than [|] all my teachers,
for your decrees [|] are my study.
- A ¹⁰⁰ I am wiser [|] than the elders,
because I observe [|] your commandments. R
- M ¹⁰¹ I restrain my feet from every [|] evil way,
that I may [|] keep your word.
- A ¹⁰² I do not turn aside [|] from your judgments,
because you your- [|] self have taught me.
- L ¹⁰³ How sweet are your words [|] to my taste!
They are sweeter than honey [|] to my mouth.
- A ¹⁰⁴ Through your commandments I gain [|] understanding;
therefore I hate every [|] lying way. R

This reading bears witness to the early church.

THE SECOND LESSON - Lector

2 Timothy 3:14–4:5

¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵ and how from childhood you have known sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the person of God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. ^{4:1} In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ² proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage with the utmost patience in teaching. ³ For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound teaching, but, having their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires ⁴ and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵ As for you, be sober in everything, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** (Please stand as you are able)



We acclaim the living
Word, Jesus Christ,
present in the gospel
reading.

John 6:68

THE GOSPEL LESSON - *Pastor*

Luke 18:1-8

The Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ according to Luke the eighteenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ² He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³ In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my accuser.' ⁴ For a while he refused, but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵ yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' " ⁶ And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷ And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸ I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** (*Please be seated*)

Viva Vox," the Living
Word of God
interpreted. (Romans
10:14-17)

SERMON - *Pastor*

(*Please stand as you are able*)

HYMN OF THE DAY

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Give Me Jesus

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PRESENTATION OF NEW MEMBERS

Introduction of New Members

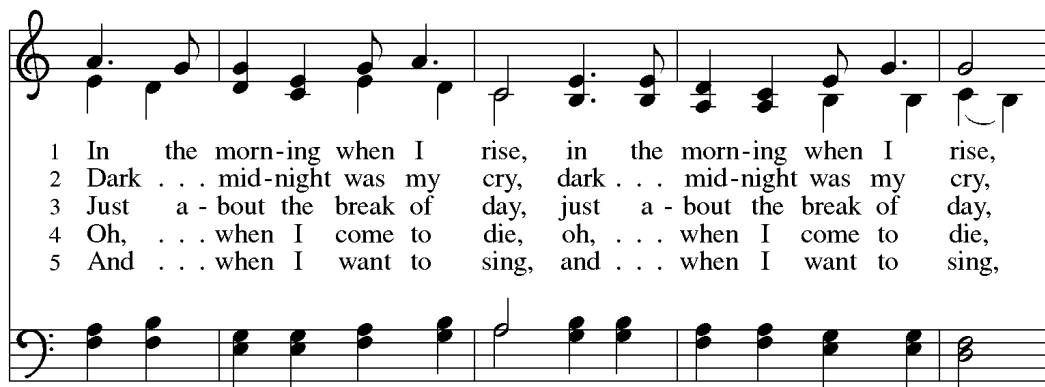
Ancient church
councils adopted the
summary of the
church's faith in the
Nicene, Apostles' and
Athanasian Creeds.

CONFESSION OF FAITH - *Assisting Minister*

Apostles 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 again 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.

Give Me Jesus

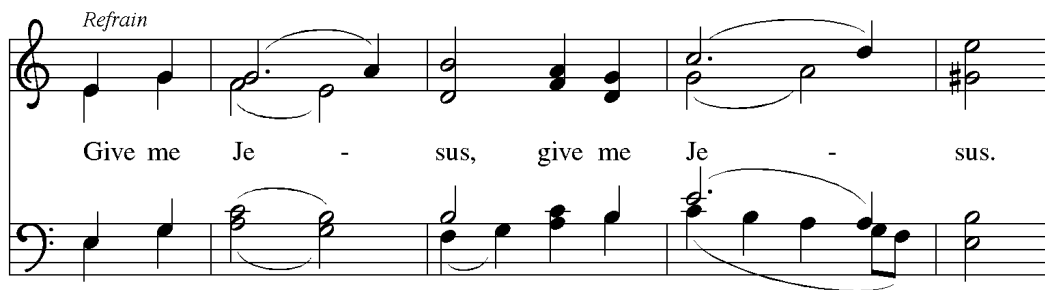


1 In the morn-ing when I rise, in the morn-ing when I rise,
 2 Dark . . . mid-night was my cry, dark . . . mid-night was my cry,
 3 Just a - bout the break of day, just a - bout the break of day,
 4 Oh, . . . when I come to die, oh, . . . when I come to die,
 5 And . . . when I want to sing, and . . . when I want to sing,



in the morn-ing when I rise, give me Je - sus.
 dark . . . mid - night was my cry, give me Je - sus.
 just a - bout the break of day, give me Je - sus.
 oh, . . . when I come to die, give me Je - sus.
 and . . . when I want to sing, give me Je - sus.

Refrain



Give me Je - sus, give me Je - sus.



You may have all the rest, give me Je - sus.

ADDRESS AND QUESTIONS

The presiding minister addresses those being welcomed.

Sisters and brothers in Christ,
do you intend to continue in the covenant of your baptism
among God's people in this place?

Those being welcomed respond.

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

The minister addresses the assembly.

People of God,
do you promise to support and pray for these new members in their life in Christ?

We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Those being welcomed face the assembly. A representative of the congregation addresses the assembly.

Let us welcome these sisters and brothers in Christ to this community of faith.

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.**

*We pray for ourselves
and particularly on
behalf of others.
(1 Timothy 2:1-2; 1
Thessalonians 5:17;
Acts 2:42)*

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH - Assisting Minister

To the words "God of grace," the congregation responds **"receive our prayer."**

SHARING OF THE PEACE - Pastor

TEMPLE TALK

THE OFFERING *(Please be seated)*

We thank you for your generosity and support! We are blessed to return thanks to God through our offerings to support the work of the Church in the world. Ushers will bring the plates to those worshipping in person this day. For those worshipping online you may give electronically or by way of US Mail. Your gifts enable our day to day operational budget, our missions, and the care of those in need. Please visit www.stmartinsannapolis.org/giving

*Extending God's word
of peace to others.
(Romans 16:16;
Matthew 5:23-24)
1 Corinthians 16:1-2
2 Corinthians 9:7-9*

OFFERTORY MUSIC *In Steadfast Faith I Stand - J.S. Bach, Arr. by Ruth Heller*
(Solo & Chorus, Tenor: Doug Hole)

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

ELW 692

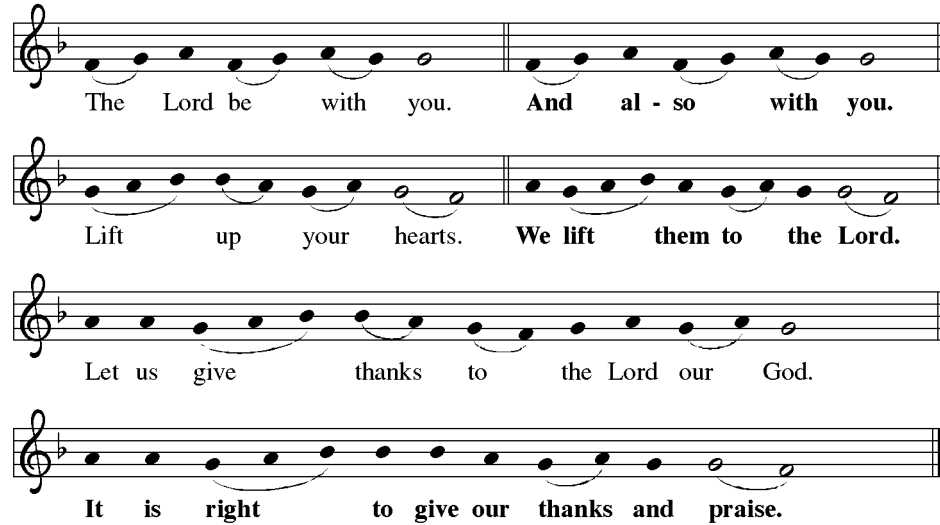
We lift our voice-es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an
of-fer-ing. Lord, use our voice-es, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our
lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing. All that we have, all that we are,
all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.
We lift our voice-es, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you:
we are an of-fer-ing, we are an of-fer-ing.

OFFERING PRAYER - *Assisting Minister*

Generous Spirit, your gifts abound! You created each of us with something to share and form us into community together. As we gather now around your table, renew in us your call to serve one another and all the world with what you have given to us, through our savior, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

*Before the Lord's
supper is shared, the
presiding minister leads
us into thanksgiving.
(Psalm 15:1)*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *(Please stand as you are able) - Pastor*



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.

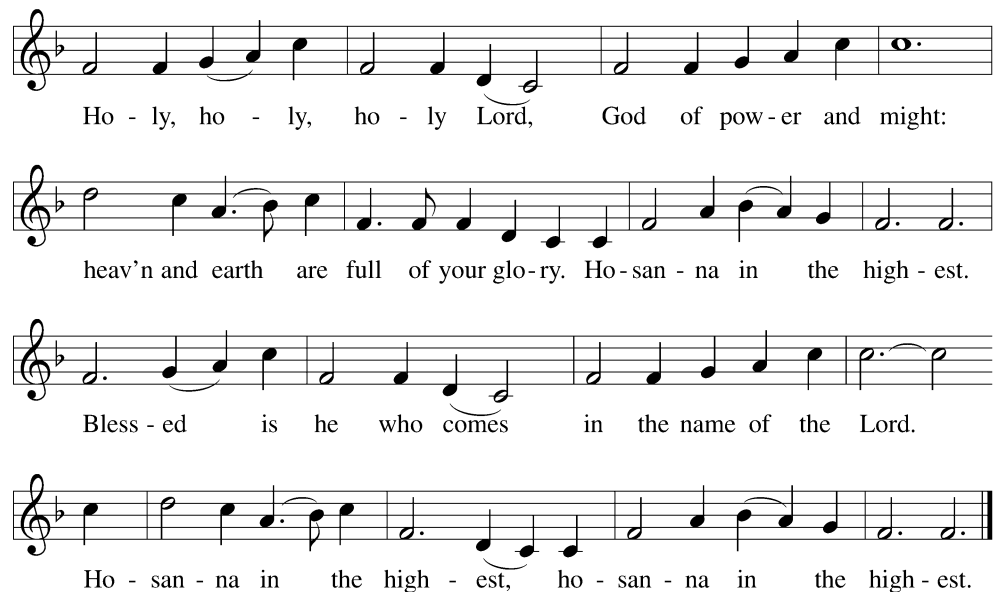
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE - *Pastor*

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

*The Sanctus is the
hymn of praise that
never ceases before
God. (Isaiah 6:3)*

THE SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

In these words—Jesus
institutes the
sacrament for the
church

Matthew 26:26-28;
Luke 22:19-20; 1
Corinthians 11:23-26

WORDS OF INSTITUTION - *Pastor*

Jesus teaches his
disciples to pray.

(Luke 11:2-4;
Matthew 6:9-13)

THE LORD'S PRAYER - *Pastor*

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.

(Please be seated)

Our invitation to
Christ's Table
(adapted from Iona
Community, Scotland)

INVITATION - *Pastor*

This is Christ's table. It is a table of love and welcome. It is a table of fellowship with the poor.

It is a table of communion with the earth.

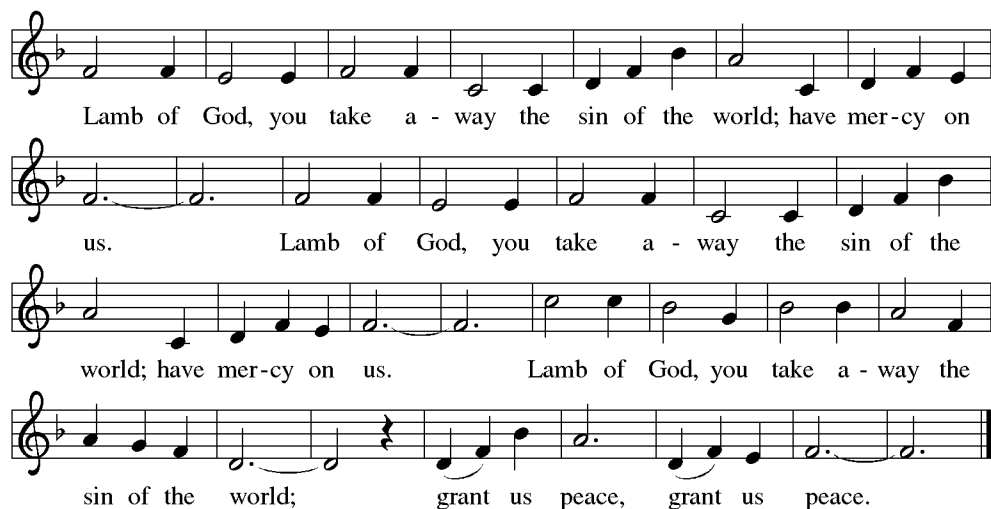
So, come those of you who have great faith and those of you who wish you had more.

Come, those of you who have tried to follow Jesus, and those of you who have failed.

Come, those of you who depend on this sacrament for your life, and those of you for whom it is a new and strange thing. These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Come!

As John the Baptist
pointed to Jesus, he
said these words.
(John 1:29)

THE 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.

***Blue Communion Cards– Please remember to fill in a blue communion card each week. You can hand your blue communion cards to an usher as you come up for communion.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION - At the Lord's Table we share in the gift of Jesus' body and blood. Please bring an empty glass from the head of the aisle to receive wine from a pouring cup. Grape juice is available in the pre-filled glasses near the empty ones. If you need a gluten-free option for bread, please indicate that to the person with bread. Peel away communion kits are also available for any who so desire. Blessings will be given to those not yet communing.

COMMUNION HYMNS	Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence	ELW 490
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	Precious Lord, Take My Hand	ELW 773
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POST COMMUNION PRAYER *(Please stand as you are able)* - *Pastor*

The body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION - *Assisting Minister*

O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

*A personal blessing
from God in the name
of the Triune God.
(Numbers 6:24-26)*

BENEDICTION - *Pastor*

The God of righteousness,
who lifts up the lowly and sets captives free,
who feeds the hungry and brings hope to the weary,
the God of all, Father, Son, $\dagger$ and Holy Spirit,
bless you and keep you,
now and forever.
Amen.

*On our way rejoicing.
(Colossians 3:16;
Philippians 4:4)*

RECESSIONAL HYMN	Jesus, Still Lead On	ELW 624
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*We go forth to bless the
world
Luke 7:50;
Romans 10:12-13*

DISMISSAL - *Assisting Minister*

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE	<i>Prelude and Fugue in C</i>	<i>- J.S. Bach (BWV 553)</i>
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Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence



- 1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and trem - bling stand;
- 2 King of kings, yet born of Mar - y, as of old on earth he stood,
- 3 Rank on rank the host of heav - en spreads its van-guard on the way;
- 4 At his feet the six - winged ser - aph, cher - u - bim with sleep - less eye,



pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand
Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture, in the bod - y and the blood,
as the Light of light, de - scend - ing from the realms of end - less day,
veil their fac - es to the pres - ence, as with cease - less voice they cry:



Christ our God to earth de - scend - ing comes full hom - age to de - mand.
he will give to all the faith - ful his own self for heav' n - ly food.
comes, the pow'rs of hell to van - quish, as the dark - ness clears a - way.
"Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

Text: Liturgy of St. James; tr. Gerard Moultrie, 1829–1885, alt.
Music: PICARDY, French folk tune, 17th cent.

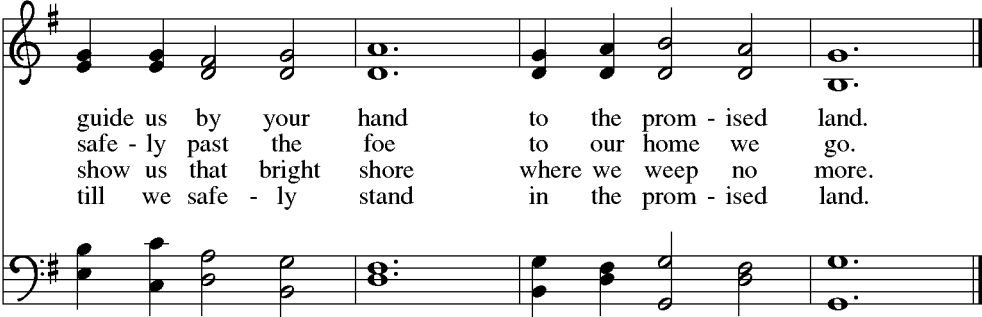
Jesus, Still Lead On



1 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; and, al-though the
 2 If the way be drear, if the foe be near, let no faith - less
 3 When we seek re - lief from a long-felt grief, when temp - ta - tions
 4 Je - sus, still lead on, till our rest be won; heav'n - ly lead - er,



way be cheer - less, we will fol - low, calm and fear - less;
 fears o'er - take us, let not faith and hope for - sake us;
 come al - lur - ing make us pa - tient and en - dur - ing;
 still di - rect us, still sup - port, con - sole, pro - tect us,



guide us by your hand to the prom - ised land.
 safe - ly past the foe to our home we go.
 show us that bright shore where we weep no more.
 till we safe - ly stand in the prom - ised land.

Text: Nicolaus L. von Zinzendorf, 1700–1760; tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1813–1897, alt.
 Music: SEELENBRÄUTIGAM, Adam Drese, 1620–1701



Tuesday, October 21st 7pm

CYBER SAFETY- CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Today's kids are more connected than ever, and with that comes new opportunities to learn, share, as well as responsibilities. As parents and caring adults, we can help them use technology in safe and positive ways.

Join Deputy State Attorney Brian Marsh as he offers practical guidance and encouragement for promoting cyber safety and social media responsibility in our children.

Use the QR code or [click here to sign up](#). Childcare is available with advance request.

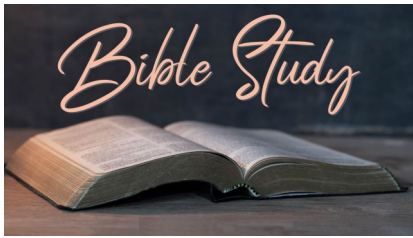
This is a joint school and church event. Please feel free to invite friends and neighbors.

**Questions or for more information contact: Laura Albanese Director of Youth,
Family, and Congregational Ministry
lalbanese@stmartinsonline.org**

Want to schedule a meeting with
Pastor Micah?

Scan the QR code below to
schedule through his online
calendar!





Apocalypse Now: A Study on the Book of Revelation

Wednesdays, October 8, 15, & 22 | 6:30–8:00 pm | Sanctuary

Revelation is one of the most misunderstood books of the Bible—full of beasts, battles, and strange images. But what if it isn't really about predicting the end of the world?

Join us for a three-week study on the Book of Revelation:

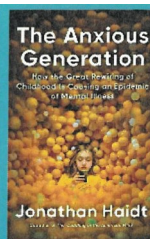
October 8 – Seeing the Unseen: Explore Revelation's unforgettable imagery and how it has shaped everything from the *Left Behind* series to *The Lord of the Rings*.

October 15 – Echoes of the Old Testament: Discover Revelation's deep roots in the prophets, especially Ezekiel.

October 22 – The Cross at the Center: See how the whole book points not to fear of the future, but to the hope of Christ's crucifixion and resurrection revealed to us now.

Sign-up: Please sign up on the clipboard in the back or by emailing Pastor Micah so that materials can be shared with you in advance.

All are welcome—bring your questions, curiosity, and imagination!



The Anxious Generation Book Discussion

Thursday, November 6th
7pm-8:30pm

What is the book *Anxious Generation* about? Jonathan Haidt, social psychologist's #1 New York Times Bestseller explores the rise of mental health illnesses in children/youth which Haidt attributes to digital technology. He gives practical solutions on how to address these issues and restore a more "humane childhood."

Who should attend? Parents, grandparents, teachers, and anyone working with children/youth. Church and school families are welcome to invite friends, co-workers and neighbors.

Where? Fellowship Hall. Light refreshments provided.

Where do I pick up a copy? Participants should pick up a copy of *Anxious Generation* at their local library, bookstore, or Amazon.

How do I sign up? Use the QR code.

Questions or more information, please contact: Laura Albanese, Director of Youth and Family Ministry at youthdirstmartins@gmail.com.



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Communion Assistants	Youth
Lector	Youth
Ushers	Youth
Communion Cleanup	Tom and Barbara Freeman

All Saints Sunday: Collection of Names

On **All Saints Sunday (November 1st)**, we will lift up the names of those dear to us—**family members and friends**—who have passed away since last November. This is a sacred time to remember those we love and to rest again in the promise of God’s love that holds them and us forever.

If you would like to have a loved one’s name read during the service, please contact **Pastor Micah** or write the name clearly on the clipboard in the Narthex.

Please submit all names by October 26th.

When submitting a name, please:

- Indicate **how you would like it read aloud** (for example, “Grandma Betty” or “Elizabeth Smith”).
- Include **nicknames or pronunciations** to ensure we honor them properly.
- We ask that you submit **only names of people personally known to you** (family members or friends).

Thank you for helping us remember the Saints of the St. Martin’s community.



October Sunday Forum: Romans and the Reformation

Join us on Sundays, October 12, 19, and 26, during the 9:00 a.m. hour between services, as we explore the deep connections between Paul’s letter to the Romans and the Reformation. Together we’ll look at how Paul’s words shaped Martin Luther’s theology and sparked a movement that continues to call the church to renewal and reform today.



Opportunities This Week

Monday, October 20, 2025

10:00 am Flying Quilters
(Fellowship)

Wednesday, October 22, 2025

7:00 am Men’s Bible Study
(Double T)

6:30 pm Bible Study
(Sanctuary)

Thursday, October 23, 2025

11:30 am Mid-Day Bible Study
(Double T)

Sunday, October 26, 2025

8:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)

9:00 am Sunday Forum
(Art Room)

10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)

3:00 pm Category 5 - Wind
Ensemble Concert (Sanctuary)



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