

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 23, 2025

10 AM



SAINT MARTIN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
Annapolis, Maryland

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

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

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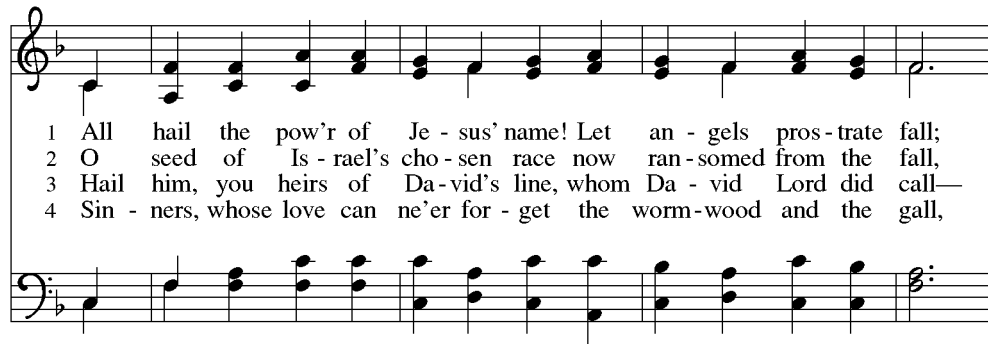
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2 Corinthians
13:13-14

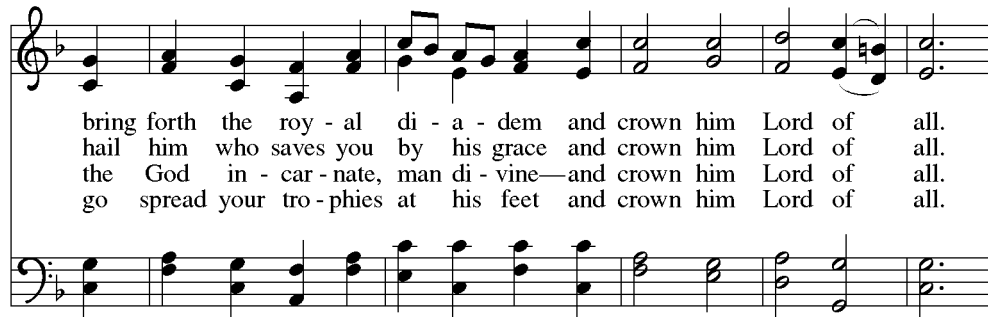
GREETING - Pastor

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.**

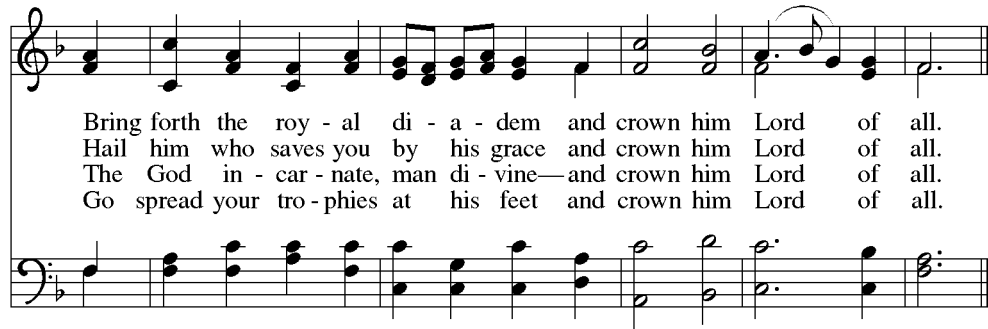
All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!



1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
 2 O seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race now ran - somed from the fall,
 3 Hail him, you heirs of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did call—
 4 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the gall,



bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem and crown him Lord of all.
 hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all.
 the God in - car - nate, man di - vine—and crown him Lord of all.
 go spread your tro - phies at his feet and crown him Lord of all.



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5 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe
 on this terrestrial ball
 to him all majesty ascribe
 and crown him Lord of all.

6 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng
 we at his feet may fall!
 We'll join the everlasting song
 and crown him Lord of all.

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

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

Group 1, 2
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 God, our true life, to serve you is freedom, and to know you is unending joy. We worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. Abide with us, reign in us, and make this world into a fit habitation for your divine majesty, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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

THE FIRST LESSON - Lector

Jeremiah 23:1-6

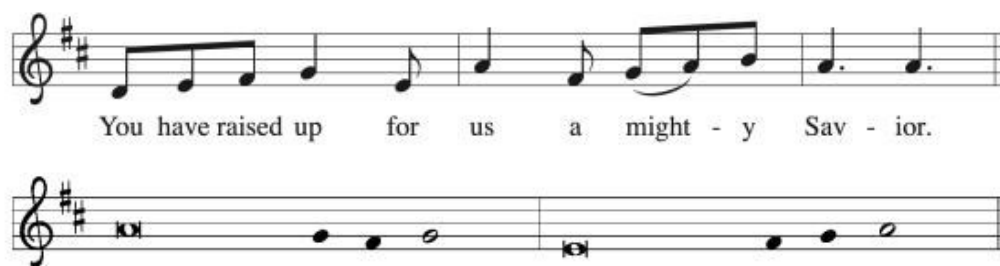
¹ Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. ² Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. ³ Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴ I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall no longer fear or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord. ⁵ The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

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)

Luke 1:68-79



L = Ladies

M = Men

A = All

- M ⁶⁸ Blessed are you, Lord, the ¹ God of Israel,
you have come to your people and ¹ set them free.
- A ⁶⁹ **You have raised up for us a ¹ mighty Savior,**
born of the house of your ¹ servant David. R
- L ⁷⁰ Through your holy prophets, you promised of old to save us ¹ from our enemies,
⁷¹ from the hands of ¹ all who hate us,
- A ⁷² **to show mercy ¹ to our forebears,**
and to remember your ¹ holy covenant.
- M ⁷³ This was the oath you swore to our ¹ father Abraham:
⁷⁴ to set us free from the hands of our ¹ enemies,
- A **free to worship you ¹ without fear,**
⁷⁵ **holy and righteous before you, all the days ¹ of our life. R**
- L ⁷⁶ And you, child, shall be called the prophet of ¹ the Most High,
for you will go before the Lord to pre- ¹ pare the way,
- A ⁷⁷ **to give God's people knowledge ¹ of salvation**
by the forgiveness ¹ of their sins.
- M ⁷⁸ In the tender compassion ¹ of our God
the dawn from on high shall ¹ break upon us,
- A ⁷⁹ **to shine on those who dwell in darkness and in the shad- ¹ ow of death,**
and to guide our feet into the ¹ way of peace. R

This reading bears
witness to the early
church.

THE SECOND LESSON - Lector

Colossians 1:11-20

¹¹ May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully ¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³ He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. ¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, ¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

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 23:33-43

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

³³ When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴ [[Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."]] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵ And the people stood by watching, but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷ and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." ³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?" ⁴¹ And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴² Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom." ⁴³ He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

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

The Head That Once Was Crowned

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(vs. 1, 4, 5, 6)

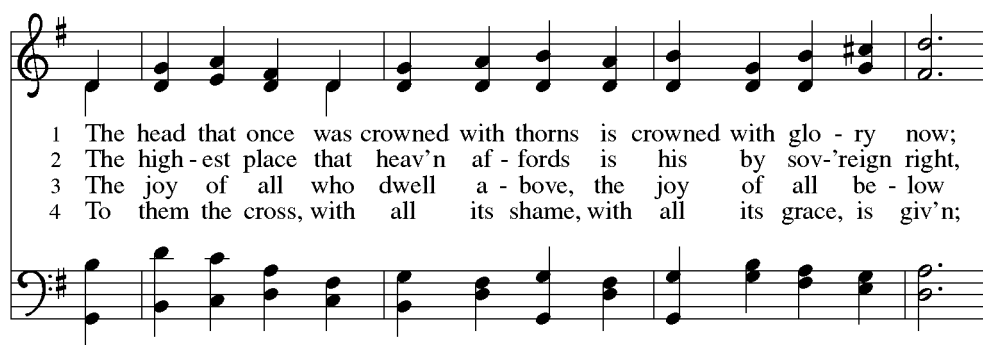
Ancient church
councils adopted the
summary of the
church's faith in the
Nicene, Apostles' and
Athanasian Creeds.

CONFESSION OF FAITH - Assisting Minister

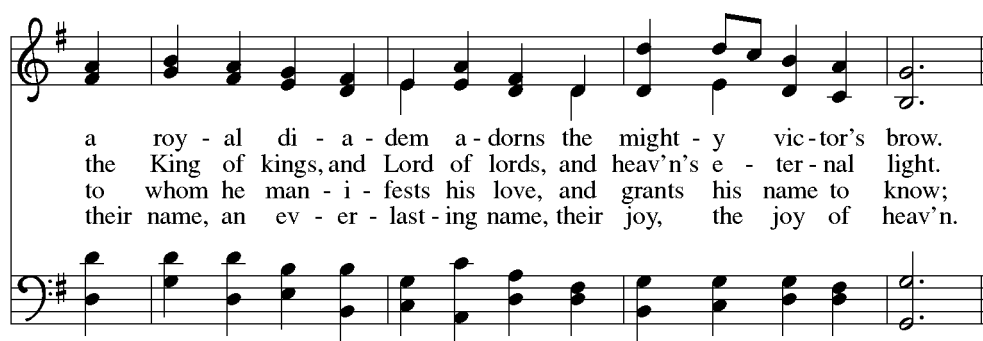
Apostles Creed

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.

The Head That Once Was Crowned



1 The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glo - ry now;
 2 The high - est place that heav'n af - fords is his by sov-'reign right,
 3 The joy of all who dwell a - bove, the joy of all be - low
 4 To them the cross, with all its shame, with all its grace, is giv'n;



a roy - al di - a - dem a - dorns the might - y vic - tor's brow.
 the King of kings, and Lord of lords, and heav'n's e - ter - nal light.
 to whom he man - i - fests his love, and grants his name to know;
 their name, an ev - er - last - ing name, their joy, the joy of heav'n.

5 They suffer with their Lord below;
 they reign with him above;
 their profit and their joy to know
 the myst'ry of his love.

6 The cross he bore is life and health,
 though shame and death to him;
 his people's hope, his people's wealth,
 their everlasting theme!

Text: Thomas Kelly, 1769–1855
 Music: ST. MAGNUS, Jeremiah Clarke, 1669–1707

We pray for ourselves
and particularly on
behalf of others.

(1 Timothy 2:1-2; 1
Thessalonians 5:17;
Acts 2:42)

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

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH - *Assisting Minister*

To the words "Hear us, O God," the congregation responds "Your mercy is great."

SHARING OF THE PEACE - *Pastor*

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Coronation

- *Craig Courtney*

(Choir and Handbells)

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

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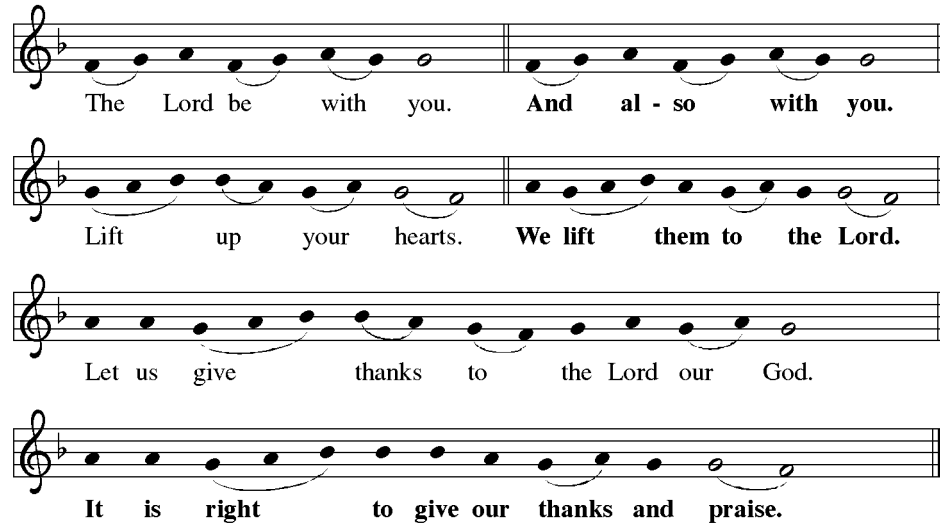
We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an
of-fer-ing. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our
lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing. All that we have, all that we are,
all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.
We lift our voices, 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. We lift before you the gifts of bread and wine, the offerings we bring, that all may become signs of your presence and channels of your love. 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.

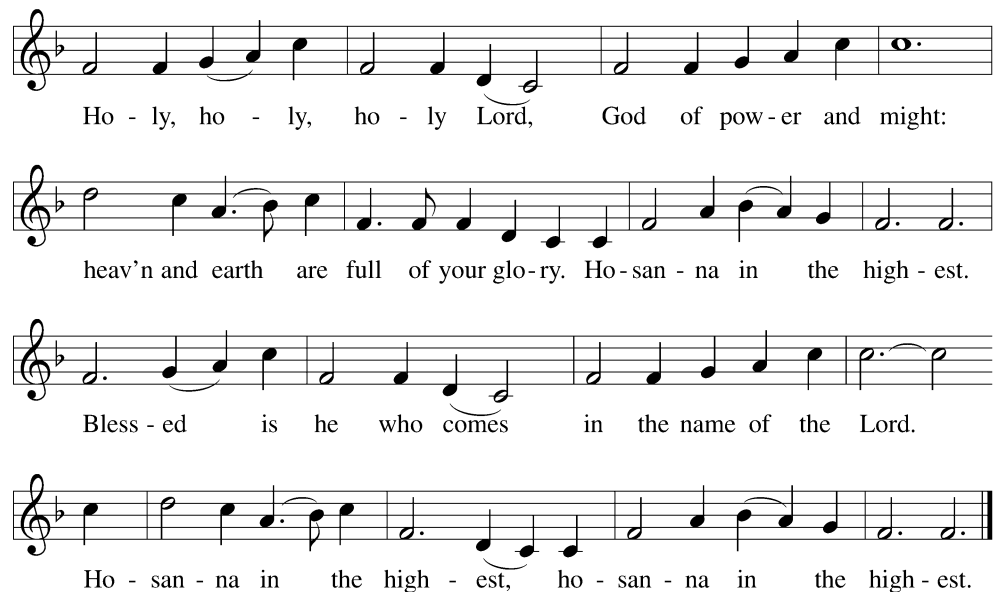
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

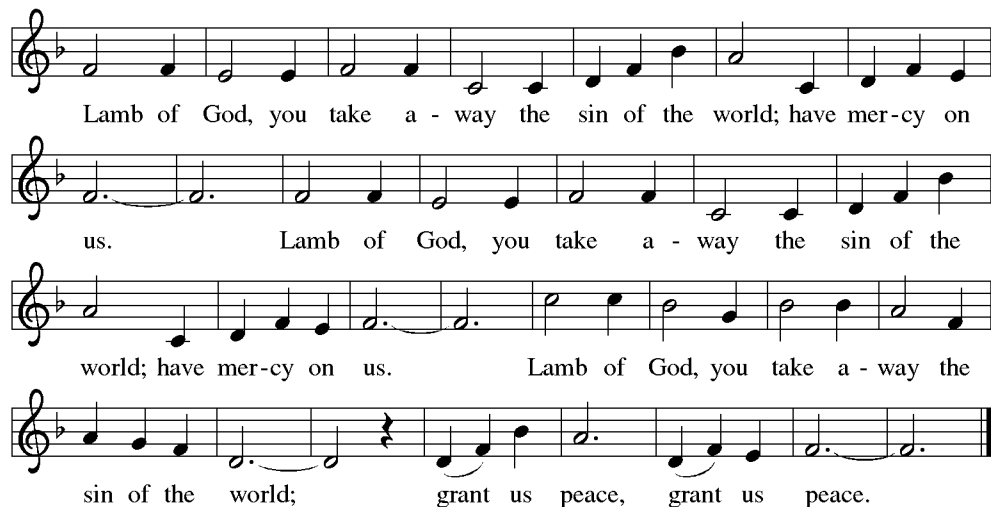
So, come those of you who have great faith and those of you who wish you had more.

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

**Beautiful Savior
Jesus, Remember Me**

**ELW 838
ELW 616**

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, ✙ and Holy Spirit,
bless you and keep you,
now and forever.
Amen.

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

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Crown Him with Many Crowns

ELW 855

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

A Festive Intrada

- *Walter L. Pelz*

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Beautiful Savior

1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,

Son of God and Son of Man!
 robed in the flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;
 bright in the spar - kling stars on high;
 Son of God and Son of Man!

Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
 Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
 Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,
 Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,

light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
 he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.
 than all the an - gels in the sky.
 now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

Text: *Gesangbuch*, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823–1904
 Music: SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU, Silesian folk tune, 19th cent.

Jesus, Remember Me

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

Je - sus, re - mem-ber me when you come in-to your king - dom.

Text: Luke 23:42; Taizé Community

Music: REMEMBER ME, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994

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Crown Him with Many Crowns

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
 2 Crown him the vir - gin's Son, the God in - car - nate born,
 3 Crown him the Lord of love— be - hold his hands and side,
 4 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave
 5 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time,

hark, how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own.
 whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won which now his brow a - dorn;
 rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied.
 and rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save.
 cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly sub - lime.

A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
 fruit of the mys - tic rose, yet of that rose the stem,
 No an - gels in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,
 His glo - ries now we sing, who died and rose on high,
 All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;

and hail him as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 the root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, the babe of Beth - le - hem.
 but down - ward bend their burn - ing eyes at mys - ter - ies so bright.
 who died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
 thy praise and glo - ry shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.



The Great St. Martin's Christmas Cookie Bake-Off!

December 14th, after the 10AM Service

Ready, set, bake! Join us for the *first-ever* St. Martin's Great Christmas Cookie Bake-Off! Bring your favorite cookies to share—or enter the competition for prizes!

Buy a box of cookies to support the Youth Group's work with *The Blue Ribbon Project*, helping foster kids in our community.

Sign up in the Narthex or scan the QR code in the Bulletin or Table Talk.

All are welcome to bake, taste, and celebrate the sweetness of Christmas together!



Thanksgiving Food Drive

To help our hungry neighbors, Saint Martin's is hosting a food drive for the Annapolis Area Food Bank. Food donations can be brought to the narthex November 9th – November 23rd. A sample of food items needed are below. Please select items in plastic or metal containers. Canned goods should be less than 28 oz. and other items one pound or less.

- +Instant mashed potatoes
- +Cranberry sauce
- +Canned vegetables (low sodium)
- +Oatmeal (no added sugar)
- +Tomato Sauce
- +Canned Tuna/Salmon/Chicken
- +Canned fruit (no added sugar)
- +Stuffing mix
- +Gravy
- +Mac & Cheese
- +Corn muffin mix
- +Powdered milk
- +Brown/white rice
- +Pasta
- +Pasta sauce
- +Soups/Broth
- +Dried beans
- +Crackers
- +Snack bars
- +Cooking oils
- +Baby food
- *\$25 Grocery gift cards

Thank you for your support! Any questions, contact Barbara Freeman, tombarb.freeman@verizon.net



Save The Date!

The Choir of St. Martin's Lutheran Church, Annapolis, Maryland Presents:

AVE MARIA – A Christmas Concert
 Sunday, December 14, 2025
 4:00pm
 @ St. Martin's Lutheran Church
 1120 Spa Road, Annapolis, MD 21403

Directed by Adedotun Olayemi – Music Director, St. Martin's Lutheran Church, Annapolis, Maryland

COME JOIN US!



HOWLIDAY PAWTY ❄️ DECEMBER 5TH ❄️ 6-9PM ❄️

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 quickly!

Serving in Worship Today	
Preacher & Celebrant	Pastor Micah Krey
Director of Music Ministry	Adedotun Olayemi
Media Technician	Gary Shenk
Assisting Minister	Cam Cloeter
Communion Assistants	Judy Houston Tom Freeman
Lector	David Ehemann
Ushers	Larry Day Linda Stazer Barb Freeman David Ehemann
Communion Cleanup	Tom and Barb Freeman

Opportunities This Week

Wednesday, November 26, 2025

7:00 am Men's Bible Study
(Double T)

Thursday, November 27, 2025

Happy Thanksgiving!

****Church Office Closed****

Friday, November 28, 2025

****Church Office Closed****

Sunday, November 30, 2025

8:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)

10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)



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The **BAY WINDS** Band WINTER CONCERT

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SUNDAY DECEMBER 7TH
3PM
ST. MARTIN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
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TUESDAY DECEMBER 16TH
7:30PM
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