St. Martin's Episcopal Church + Bridgewater, NJ Sunday October 9, 2022

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Please stand to sing as the hymn begins.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Hymnal 1982, 390

Blessed be God, + Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. *And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.



Collect Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen*.

A Reading from Jeremiah

Please be seated.

These are the words of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the remaining elders among the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare. The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God*.

Psalm 66:1-8Please remain seated.

The cantor sings the antiphon, and then the people repeat it:

Antiphon: Be joyful in God, all you lands.

Be joyful in God, all you lands; sing the glory of his Name; sing the glory of his praise. Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!

because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you. (Ant.)

All the earth bows down before you, sings to you, sings out your Name."

Come now and see the works of God, how wonderful he is in his doing toward all people.

(Ant)

He turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot, and there we rejoiced in him.

In his might he rules forever; his eyes keep watch over the nations; let no rebel rise up against him. (Ant.)

Bless our God, you peoples; make the voice of his praise to be heard; Who holds our souls in life, and will not allow our feet to slip. (Ant.)

A Reading from 2 Timothy

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David-- that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful— for he cannot deny himself. Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation Please stand

The cantor sings the Alleluia. The congregation sings with the cantor the second time.



Verse: In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus.. *Alleluia is repeated*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

The Gospel of the Lord. *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Homily

The Nicene Creed

Please stand

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Remain standing, or kneel

For God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Lord in your mercy. *Hear our prayer*.

For peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Lord in your mercy. *Hear our prayer*.

For the sick, especially Joy, Reece, Ed, Vincent, Katelyn, Ian, Mary, Karen, Raymond, Audrey, Bill, Doug, Zhenya, Ahnya, Linda, Chris, Rachel, Mary, and Bonnie's grandson. For the poor, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Lord in your mercy. *Hear our prayer*.

For those who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to God alone. Lord in your mercy. *Hear our prayer*.

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Celebrant: Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

The Confession of Sin and Absolution

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Please kneel

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Priest: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen

The Peace The peace of Christ be always with you. *And also with you.*The people of God share a sign of peace with one another.

Please be seated

Welcome and Announcements

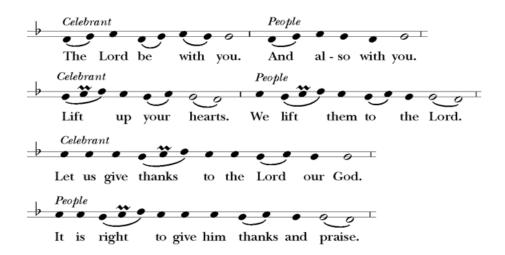
The Liturgy of the Altar The Offertory Hymn

Please stand to sing

Now thank we all our God

Hymnal 1982, 397

Priest: God our sustainer, receive the gifts we bring before you, and feed us continually with that bread which satisfies all hunger, your Son our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.



It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth,through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Please continue standing or kneel as you are able.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Redeemer of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

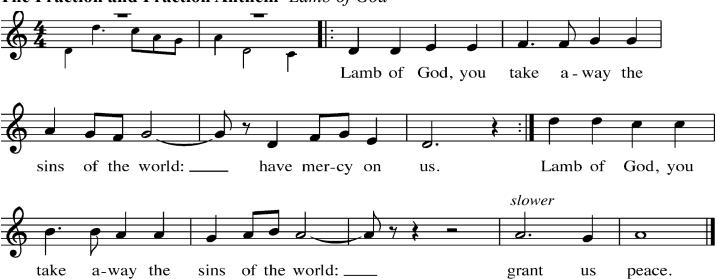
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with the Ever-Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Martin of Tours, and all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever, AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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, for ever and ever. Amen.





The Invitation to Holy Communion

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are they who are called to his Supper.

The people may silently pray:

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only speak the word, and my soul shall be healed.

Communion Hymns



Post-Communion Prayer

All: Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

Please stand or kneel
Blessing and Dismissal
Closing Hymn

Please stand

O bless the Lord, my soul! vv. 1,2,6

Hymnal 1982, 411

Serving Today

Ushers: Paul Todoroff

Thurifer: Fausto Beleno Crucifer: Delaney Swain

Reader: Jason Swain Eucharistic Ministers: Br. Philip Muniz

Choir: Beth Hixenbaugh, Alison Jandek, Jane Maloney, Rob Vernon

Organist: Kathy Shanklin Celebrant: Fr Rob Laws+

We are honored to have you worshiping with us this morning. If this is your first time with us, please do introduce yourself to the priest after Mass. We would love to get to know you better. Please join us downstairs in the undercroft for coffee and refreshments.

Sunday School for children is available during Mass. Children will join their families for Holy Communion. Please ask an usher for directions if you do not know where the classroom is. If you prefer, your children are always welcome to be present for all of the Mass.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Youth Confirmation Class-Today, following Mass-Conference Room

Blessing of the Animals-TODAY, at 4 pm, by the bell tower

St. Martin's/St. John's Youth Group-TODAY, at 5 pm (here at St. Martin's)

Grace For All- A prayer and support group for LGBTQ+ Christians and their families: **Tuesday at 7 pm** in the Lady Chapel

Healing Mass- Wednesday, October 12, 6 pm in the Lady Chapel

Spirit Lab- Wednesday, October 12, 7 pm (following the Mass), in the Lady Chapel

Rector's Forum- Sunday, October 16, 9:30 am, in the Lady Chapel

The Sacrament of Unction for Healing with Laying on of Hands will be offered on Sunday October 16 in observance of the Feast of St. Luke.

October is National Animal Safety and Protection Month. During the month of October, the Outreach committee is asking for donations for animals in shelters.



Our Annual Fall Stewardship Campaign begins today and ends with Consecration Sunday, on October 30. The theme for this year is "More than Enough."

As we emerge from a period of disruption and isolation in our congregations across the Episcopal Church, we have felt the pain and frustration of distance, of diminished resources, and of our ability to connect in the ways to which we are accustomed. However, as we take inventory of our spiritual resources, the strength of our community, and our capacity for generosity, we realize that there is now, and always has been, More Than Enough.

Jesus fed the multitude with five loaves and two fish – "And all ate and were filled. What was left over was gathered up, twelve baskets of broken pieces." (Luke 9:17). During the next few weeks, you will be hearing from members of the St. Martin's community as we consider this theme more deeply, and begin to recognize the blessings of abundance that we have, and share in, here at St. Martin's.

You will be receiving a letter and a pledge card from the Stewardship Committee soon. Please prayerfully consider how you can share your resources of time, treasure and talent in order to support the ministries and mission of our parish. You may place your pledge card in the offering plate or mail it to the parish office anytime during October- or you may bring it in on Consecration Sunday (October 30). You may also pledge online. Please visit our website for information on how to pledge online. (www.stmartinsnj.org)

If you would like to contribute to relief aid for the victims of Hurricane Ian, please consider making a donation to Episcopal Relief and Development.

You can make an online donation by visiting https://www.episcopalrelief.org/

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