

Rector's Note

6.4.26

What a year it's been, St Martin's! This Sunday we get a day to celebrate it all -- all that we have accomplished, and all that we are. Please come to as much of the day as you can, to get information, ask your questions, and enjoy being together.

Sunday Schedule

8:00 Spoken service

9:00 Ministry Fair

10:30 Choral Eucharist with Vestry in Procession

11:30 Festive Coffee Hour sponsored by Vestry, Annual Meeting Presentation

Note there is no 9:00 service this Sunday because of the Ministry Fair. There is no Worship Reflections because of the Annual Meeting. There will be childcare in the Houston room during the annual meeting.

Later this month we will celebrate Anne Alexis Harra's ordination to the transitional diaconate. Anne Alexis may not be familiar to newer St Martin's members because she has been away at seminary for the past three years, but she was raised up by St Martin's for ordination when she was serving as a lay minister for Children, Youth, and Families. Her ordination will be Saturday, June 27, at 10 am at the Philadelphia Episcopal Cathedral. In next week's Field Notes we'll have a signup for anyone who is interested in carpooling to the event, and a way to contribute to a gift for Anne Alexis.

Cassie Houtz is another St Martin's person who has been raised up for holy orders. Cassie was recently made a postulant for the priesthood by our bishop, and will have a period of formation and study ahead before she is ordained. Having two people in one parish who are in the process toward ordination is not usual, but St Martin's has been here many times before. It's a sign of a great spirit and vibrancy, that people who want to discern a call seek us out, and others find after being here that they are inspired to hear a call to serve.

If you are reading this and want to know more about the discernment process, or think you may have a call to ordained ministry, please come and see me!

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