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## **Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany**

January 30, 2022

10:30 a.m.

### **St. Martin's-in-the-Field Episcopal Church**

The Reverend Matthew Hanisian, *Rector*

The Reverend Nathan Erdman, *Associate Rector and Chaplain*

The Reverend Dr. John Price, *Priest Associate*

The Reverend Kathleen Schotto, *Deacon and Seminarian*

Dr. HyeSung Hwang, *Director of Music Ministries*

**Our mission is to gather as a welcoming community of Christ called to love and serve God,  
our neighbors and each other in joyful presence in the world.**

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*As we move forward we will continue to monitor the spread of the COVID-19 virus St. Martin's will cooperate with all of the guidelines issued by the Episcopal Diocese of Maryland.*

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**FOR OUR WORSHIP THIS MORNING at 10:30 a.m.**

Masks are mandatory and Social Distancing is in place:

Passing the Peace—Give a wave or a “peace sign.”

**CONGREGATIONAL SINGING PERMITTED WHILE MASKED**

For Communion—Bread-only communion from a single standing station from the chancel steps.

After the Dismissal—Please be seated and silently listen to the postlude until we are “all clear” from the onlinelivestream of our worship.

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**NEW TO  
ST. MARTIN'S?**

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us welcome you to  
our community.

# Welcome to St. Martin's-in-the-Field Episcopal Church

Our worship services are taken from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP), and The Hymnal 1982 (H).  
All are invited to participate fully in our worship of God today, congregational responses are in **bold italics**.

## CELEBRATION OF HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

### THE WORD OF GOD

#### WELCOME

PRELUDE: No. Élévation from École d'Orgue

Jacques Lemmens

OPENING HYMN: *What star is this, with beams so bright*

H 124, v. 4 & 5



1 What star is this, with beams so bright, more beau - teous  
2 True spake the pro - phet from a - far who told the  
3 The guid - ing star a - bove is bright; with - in them  
4 O Je - sus, while the star of grace im - pels us  
5 To God the Fa - ther, heaven - ly Light, to Christ, re -

1 than the noon - day light? It shines to her - ald  
2 rise of Ja - cob's star; and east - ern sa - ges  
3 shines a clear - er light, and leads them on with  
4 on to seek thy face, let not our sloth - ful  
5 vealed in earth - ly night, to God the Ho - ly

1 forth the King, and Gen - tiles to his crib to bring.  
2 with a - maze and up - on the won - drous to - ken gaze.  
3 power be - nign to seek the Giv - er of the sign.  
4 hearts re - fuse the guid - ance of thy light to use.  
5 Ghost we raise our e - qual and un - ceas - ing praise.

#### OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP p. 355

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. ***And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***

#### COLLECT FOR PURITY

***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 OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. ***And also with you.*** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

**The Collect for Purity**  
entreats almighty God to prepare our hearts for worship. This prayer dates back to the 10th century and has appeared in almost every Anglican Prayer Book in the world since Thomas Cranmer's original translation in the 1549 Prayer Book.

**The Collect of the Day**  
"collects" our individual thoughts into unified prayer that we might respond to the lessons we are about to hear.

**A READING FROM THE PROPHET JEREMIAH**

1:4-10

The word of the Lord came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you, Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord." Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

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

**PSALM 71:1-6**

BCP. 682

***<sup>1</sup>In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be ashamed.***

***<sup>2</sup>In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; incline your ear to me and save me.***

***<sup>3</sup>Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; you are my crag and my stronghold.***

***<sup>4</sup>Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.***

***<sup>5</sup>For you are my hope, O Lord God, my confidence since I was young.***

***<sup>6</sup>I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have been my strength; my praise shall be always of you.***

**A READING FROM PAUL'S FIRST LETTER TO THE CORINTHIANS**

13:1-13

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

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

*As we sing the Sequence Hymn all children are invited to gather in the back of the church with the Children's Chapel adult leaders. Children's Chapel is located in the Parish Hall.*

*The children will rejoin their parents during the Peace.*

1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at thy word we are gath - ered all to  
 2 All our know - ledge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est dark - ness  
 3 Gra - cious Lord, thy - self im - part! Light of Light, from God pro -

hear thee; let our hearts and souls be stirred  
 shroud - ed, till thy Spi - rit breaks our night  
 ceed - ing, o - pen thou our ears and heart,

now to seek and love and fear thee; by thy teach - ings  
 with the beams of truth un - cloud - ed; thou a - lone to  
 help us by thy Spi - rit's plead - ing. Hear the cry thy

pure and ho - ly, drawn from earth to love thee sole - ly.  
 God canst win us; thou must work all good with - in us.  
 Church up - rais - es; hear, and bless our prayers and prais - es.

*The congregations stands for the Gospel.*

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

4:21-30

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

Jesus began to speak in the synagogue at Nazareth: "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

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

## SERMON

The Reverend Nathan Erdman

*One minute of silence.*

## NICENE CREED

BCP p. 358

***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 Nicene Creed*** is the most ancient and important corporate confession of our faith. We are joining ourselves to the great heritage of the holy (of God) catholic (universal) and apostolic (witnessing to the resurrection) church down through the centuries.



*The Prayers  
of the People  
remind us  
that in our  
worship we  
are connected  
to a larger  
fellowship  
- the Church -  
the Body of  
Christ, on  
whose heart  
lies the cares  
and concerns  
of the world.*

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE— FORM III

BCP p. 387

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer this week we pray for The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean; and in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for: St. Thomas', Hancock; St. James Chapel, Hagerstown; St. John's, Frostburg. Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church; ***That we all may be one.***

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; ***That your Name may be glorified by all people.***

For Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Eugene and Robert, our bishops; for Matthew, Nathan, and John our clergy; Kathleen our seminarian and deacon; and for all bishops, priests, and deacons; ***That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.***

For Joseph, our President; the Congress and Supreme Court of the United States; for Larry, our governor; Steuart, our county executive; and for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; ***That there may be justice and peace on the earth.***

We pray for our St. Martin's-in-the-Field Episcopal School and Charlie, our Interim Head of School. Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; ***That our works may find favor in your sight.***

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble - this week we pray for The Bonti family, Bob, the Edwards family, Deryn, Dan, Shirley, Jasper, Clark, the Markey family, Alison, and Donald as well as those in our parish family in need of our continued, long-term prayers as listed in our bulletin. ***That they may be delivered from their distress.***

Give to the departed, especially Nina Bonti and Aleen Baker Sutton, eternal rest; ***Let light perpetual shine upon them.***

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; ***May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.***

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

We continue to pray for those affected by the COVID-19 virus and all health care providers, as they tend to those who have been infected; for those affected by natural disasters; and we pray for all who serve in our military and law enforcement communities.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life; especially for those in our parish family who celebrate their birthday this week: Roy, Jeff, Jonah, Amy, Abby, Ethan, Madison, Kip, and Richard.

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

BCP p. 360

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

***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.***

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 the Lord be always with you. ***And also with you.***

### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GIVING

**Thank you for your generous giving to the mission and ministry of St. Martin's in our world.**

**For those worshipping online, you may text **Give2STM to 73256** to give via text messaging, or you may choose to give online via our secure online system by clicking here:**

**<https://stmartinsinthefield.com/giving/give/>**

*In our parish family long term prayers are requested for:  
George, Eileen, Stephen, Alison, Dwayne, Jeff, Barbara, Jim, Matt, Tina, Chris, Lois, Kyle and Kenny.*

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: *Jesus shall reign*

John Hatton, arr. Cynthia Dobrinski  
Handbell Choir

*Please stand and sing.*

DOXOLOGY

H 377, v. 1

*Unison or harmony*

1 All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with  
1 cheer - ful voice: him serve with mirth, his praise forth  
1 tell, come ye be - fore him and re - - joice.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

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 him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father, **We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory.**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

*The Sanctus, which begins, "Holy, holy, holy..." is a hymn of remembrance, consecration and praise where our voices echo the voices of the angels who eternally praise God with these words. Our worship also includes the Benedictus, "Blessed is he..." a Christological acclamation of the coming of Christ into the world, taken from Matthew's gospel.*

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 for ever. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

***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.***

#### FRACTION

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; ***therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

#### INVITATION

#### DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

ALL are welcome to receive Holy Communion at St. Martin's.

Please come forward to the standing station in the middle of the center aisle, following the instructions of the ushers.

Tape marks on the main aisle indicate 6' of social distance.

In the Anglican Tradition, consuming either the Bread or Wine is the same as consuming both elements.

Families may come forward together as a group.

Gluten-Free wafers are available, please let your need be known to the Celebrant.

#### THE CONGREGATION JOINS IN THE SINGING OF THE COMMUNION HYMNS

#### COMMUNION HYMN: O wondrous type! O vision fair of glory

H 137

*Descant*

4 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high by this great

1 O won - drous type! O vi - sion fair of glo - ry  
2 With Mo - ses and E - li - jah nigh the in - car - nate  
3 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray, Christ deigns to  
4 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high by this great  
5 O Fa - ther, with the e - ter - nal Son, and Ho - ly

vi - sion's mys - ter - y; for which in joy - ful

1 that the Church may share, which Christ up - on the  
2 Lord holds con - verse high; and from the cloud, the  
3 man - i - fest to - day what glo - ry shall be  
4 vi - sion's mys - ter - y; for which in joy - ful  
5 Spi - rit, ev - er One, vouch - safe to bring us

strains we raise the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

1 moun - tain shows, where bright - er than the sun he glows!  
2 Ho - ly One bears re - cord to the on - ly Son.  
3 theirs a - bove who joy in God with per - fect love.  
4 strains we raise the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.  
5 by thy grace to see thy glo - ry face to face.





1 Fa - ther, we thank thee who hast plant - ed thy ho - ly Name with -  
 2 Watch o'er thy Church, O Lord, in mer - cy, save it from e - vil,  
 in our hearts. Know - ledge and faith and life im - mor - tal Je - sus thy  
 guard it still, per - fect it in thy love, u - nite it, cleansed and con -  
 Son to us im - parts. Thou, Lord, didst make all for thy plea - sure,  
 formed un - to thy will. As grain, once scat - tered on the hill - sides,  
 didst give us food for all our days, giv - ing in Christ the  
 was in this bro - ken bread made one, so from all lands thy  
 Bread e - ter - nal; thine is the power, be thine the praise.  
 Church be gath - ered in - to thy king - dom by thy Son.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP p. 365

***Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.***

BLESSING

1 Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth, up - on a cross they  
 2 O awe - ful Love, which found no room in life where sin de -  
 3 New ad - vent of the love of Christ, shall we a - gain re -  
 4 O wound - ed hands of Je - sus, build in us thy new cre -

bound thee, and mocked thy sav - ing king - ship then  
 nied thee, and, doomed to death, must bring to doom  
 fuse thee, till in the night of hate and war  
 a - tion; our pride is dust, our vaunt is stilled,

by thorns with which they crowned thee: and still our wrongs  
 the powers which cru - ci - fied thee, till not a stone  
 we per - ish as we lose thee? From old un - faith  
 we wait thy rev - e - la - tion: O love that tri -

may weave thee now new thorns to pierce that  
 was left on stone, and all those na - tions'  
 our souls re - lease to seek the king - dom  
 umphs o - ver loss, we bring our hearts be -

stead - y brow, and robe of sor - row round thee.  
 pride, o'er-thrown, went down to dust be - side thee!  
 of thy peace, by which a - lone we choose thee.  
 fore thy cross, to fi - nish thy sal - va - tion.

**The Dismissal**  
 asserts the  
 relationship  
 between  
 worship  
 and living.  
 It is a call to  
 mission, a  
 call to live the  
 baptismal and  
 Eucharistic life  
 in the world.

**DISMISSAL**

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

**POSTLUDE: Voluntary in B flat**

Maurice Greene

*The congregation is invited to sit and listen to the postlude,  
 remaining in the sanctuary until the online broadcast concludes.*

*The members of our Choir are fully vaccinated and per the diocesan guidelines can sing  
 while maintaining social distancing guidelines.*

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# St. Martin's-in-the-Field

## UPCOMING EVENTS AND NEWS

### EYC (EPISCOPAL YOUTH COMMUNITY): KID KLASICS NIGHT

**February 6, 5:30- 7:00 p.m.**  
**(Parish Hall)**

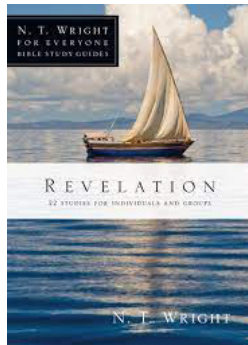
We're bringing back the classics of childhood! Saturday morning cartoons, sugary cereal, freeze tag, duck-duck-goose and more! EYC (Episcopal Youth Community) is open to ALL youth grades 6th-12th. For details or questions please contact Rev. Nathan, [associate@stmartinsinthefield.org](mailto:associate@stmartinsinthefield.org).



### THE BOOK OF REVELATIONS - BIBLE CHALLENGE

**Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m. (St. Martin's House)**

All are welcome to join as we start an 11 week study of the book of Revelations on Tuesday evenings. We are using the N.T. Wright Study Guide to the book of Revelations. For details and questions please contact Cindy Neseth, [cincysue1@aol.com](mailto:cincysue1@aol.com).



### NURSERY AND CHILDREN'S CHAPEL RESUMES

This Sunday we welcome back our Nursery and Children's Chapel. Our nursery will be available from 9:00-11:30 a.m. on Sundays for infants and children ages 3 and under. Children's Chapel happens during the 10:30 a.m. service, from before the reading of the Gospel to the Peace. Children from 3 years old to 2nd grade, are invited to experience an age appropriate Liturgy of the Word led by Children's Chapel adult leaders. **Adult volunteers needed.** Contact Rev. Nathan, [associate@stmartinsinthefield.org](mailto:associate@stmartinsinthefield.org) for details or to volunteer.



### PARENTS' GROUP

**Sundays, 9:15 a.m. (Parish Hall)**

The new St. Martin's Parent's Group is kicking off a new semester of activities, learning and fellowship. This group is for all parents of school-aged children and meets every Sunday in Parish Hall at 9:15 a.m. This Sunday will be a time for simple fellowship to reconnect with the group over some light COVID-restriction-friendly refreshments. Next Sunday will be an educational session about how to teach your children about prayer. For more information about the Parent's Group please contact Rev. Matthew, [rector@stmartinsinthefield.org](mailto:rector@stmartinsinthefield.org).

### SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE WORKBENCH

**Sundays, 9:00 a.m. (via Zoom)**

Explore the Scripture readings from our Sunday Eucharists and discuss how these spiritual themes shape our lives as Christians. Sign up at [stmartinsinthefield.com/events/](https://stmartinsinthefield.com/events/).



### CHILDREN AND YOUTH PROGRAMS

**Sundays, 9:15 a.m.**

**Sunday School (K-Grade 5):** The back picnic tables, with the church or parish hall being utilized as a rain location.

**Rite-13 (Grade 6-7):** SMES Middle School Classrooms

**J2A (Grade 8-9):** Lower Heck Hall

**Confirmation Class/YAC (Grade 10-11):** SMES Middle School Classrooms

**Senior YAC (Grade 12):** SMES Teacher Workroom.

If you haven't already, be sure to register online at: <https://stmartinsinthefield.com/ministries/>.

### SHEPHERD GROUP

**Thursdays, 4:30 p.m. (via Zoom)**

Group discussion of the readings for the upcoming Sunday. All adults welcome. For zoom link and details contact Susan Griesmyer, [sgriesmyer@verizon.net](mailto:sgriesmyer@verizon.net).

# St. Martin's-in-the-Field

## MINISTRY AND REMINDERS

### ACOLYTES ARE BACK

The crosses, candles, and more are returning to Sunday mornings! All youth in Grades 6th through 12th are most invited to serve God in worship and be a part of the Sunday morning action. Sign up today! Contact Rev. Nathan, [associate@stmartinsinthe field.org](mailto:associate@stmartinsinthe field.org).



### GIFT CARDS TO SUPPORT J2A

Our J2A Youth Group is selling gift cards for their pilgrimage. Even though we are not selling at church, you can still buy gift cards, which make wonderful gifts for the holidays. To place an order or to set up an account and order online contact Meg Stott, [mcstott65@yahoo.com](mailto:mcstott65@yahoo.com).



### SUICIDE PREVENTION AND MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES

Mental health includes our emotional, psychological, and social well-being. It affects how we think, feel, and act. Mental health is important at every stage of life, from childhood and adolescence through adulthood. **If you think you or someone you know is suffering seek support today.** Online resources provided on St. Martin's website, <https://stmartinsinthe field.org/parish-life/mental-health/>. For immediate assistance call our office at (410) 647-6248 any time and follow the prompts for pastoral emergency.



### ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN DISASTER RELIEF SUPPORT

We are saddened by the fact that many of our brothers and sisters in Kentucky and five surrounding



states are suffering unimaginable loss after tornadoes ripped through their neighborhoods. Entire towns have been decimated. Over 100 lives have been lost. Thousands of people have lost everything. Their needs are great.

The Maryland Branch of the Orphan Grain Train is currently collecting much needed hygiene items that will be sent to ravaged areas of Kentucky. If you are interested in donating items, they may be **dropped off at the warehouse on Monday and Tuesday mornings, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon or Tuesday evenings, 5:00-7:00 p.m.**

Below is a list of items that will be included in our hygiene kits:

- Bath towels and washcloths
- Bars of soap
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Deodorant
- Shampoo
- Combs and hairbrushes
- Nail Clippers
- Band-aids
- Tissues (pocket-sized)

In addition to the hygiene items we are collecting baby diapers (any size) and wipes.

A group of volunteers will be assembling hygiene kits at the OGT warehouse on Tuesday morning, January 11th. Feel free to join us if you'd like to help.

If you prefer to make a monetary donation, please feel free to donate online at <https://www.ogt.org/branches/md/>. Specify that your donation is to be used for our disaster relief project.

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