



Summer Worship Bulletin

The Holy Eucharist
8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.



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Welcome to St. Martin's- in-the-Field

We are so glad you are here! Whether you are searching for a new parish home or joining the church for the first time, we'd love to welcome you to our community. Tell us a little about yourself. Scan the QR code, visit stmartinsinthe field.org/welcome or fill out the connection card found in the pews.



WHAT TO EXPECT THIS MORNING

We invite you to participate fully in our worship service, by both singing joyfully and with spoken responses which appear in **bold**. Our worship services are taken from *The Book of Common Prayer* (BCP), *Enriching Our Worship*, *The Hymnal 1982* (H), *Lift Every Voice and Sing II* (L) and *Wonder, Love and Praise* (WLP). We livestream our 10:00 a.m. service.

We encourage parents to involve their children by sitting near the front where little ones can see, singing joyfully with them, leading them in prayer, modeling good listening, and sharing with them the sacrament of Holy Communion. We understand that children wiggle; please do not fret when they do. Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs." We are followers of Christ; we love all, especially the wigglers.

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

All are invited to receive communion, which is the consecrated bread and wine, with us after the Breaking of the Bread. An usher will indicate when you may proceed to the altar. Stand or kneel at the altar rail and hold out your hand(s) to receive the bread in your palm. Gluten-free wafers are available on the far left of the altar rail. Receive the wine either by drinking from the common cup or by touching the wafer lightly to the wine in the smaller intinction chalice. Cross your arms over your chest if you prefer not to take the wine. Please let an usher know if you would like communion brought to you.

RECEIVING A BLESSING

If you do not wish to, or are not able to receive communion today for any reason, we encourage you to come forward at the time of communion to receive a blessing. An usher will indicate when you may proceed to the altar. Stand or kneel at the altar rail and simply cross your arms over your chest. As clergy approaches with the bread, they will know to give you a blessing instead of communion. In this way, everyone can participate in this part of the service.

SEEKING BAPTISM

We welcome all people of any age to be baptized. In baptism, we are made sharers in the new life of the Holy Spirit and the forgiveness of sins. God adopts us, making us members of the church and inheritors of the Kingdom of God (BCP, pp. 298, 858). Please contact a clergy member to learn more.

SPIRITUAL SANCTUARY

We believe God loves each of us, no exceptions. As human beings created in God's image, we should have a place where the love of Jesus is made real, a place where we can experience the celebration of who we are and an acceptance of where we are on life's journey. We aspire to be an inclusive community of faith and a beacon of hope for those seeking spiritual refuge.

SUNDAY NURSERY

Available for infants and children ages 4 and under on Sundays from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Located in Parish Hall, see an usher for directions.

CHURCH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

During the summer the church office will be Monday-Thursday from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. and closed on Fridays through August 14.

CELEBRATION OF HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I - 8:00 A.M.

THE WORD OF GOD

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CELEBRATION OF HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II - 10:00 A.M.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE	See Insert
WELCOME	
OPENING HYMN	<i>All stand and sing.</i> See Insert
OPENING ACCLAMATION	
Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.	
Glory to God for ever and ever.	
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.	
GLORIA	<i>All sing.</i> H S 280
COLLECT OF THE DAY	See Insert

FIRST READING

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

See Insert

PSALM

See Insert

SECOND READING

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

See Insert

SEQUENCE HYMN

All stand and sing.

See Insert

THE HOLY GOSPEL

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

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SERMON

See Insert

NICENE CREED

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE—FORM III

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CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GIVING

The Offertory is when we make a sacred gift to God as part of our worship. You can leave a donation in the plate being passed by the ushers or give online by scanning the QR code or via our website at <https://stmartinsinthe field.com/giving/>. Thank you for your generous giving to the mission and ministry of St. Martin's-in-the-Field.



THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

All stand and sing.

See Insert

DOXOLOGY: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

H 376, v. 1

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

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SANCTUS

All sing.

WLP 858

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, heaven 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.

Summer Announcements and Events

SUMMER "MEET & EAT"

We can't wait to see you for fellowship and delicious food!

Food and drinks provided; side dishes or desserts are greatly appreciated. Suggested donation is \$6.00 per person or \$20.00 per family. Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. through August 19. If you would like to volunteer to help or have special dietary needs, please contact John Theune, jatheune@gmail.com.

ST. MARTIN'S SUMMER BOOK READ

This summer, join us as together we explore books that invite deeper reflection on family, faith, technology, and the community that shapes us. Whether you're a longtime reader or just looking for meaningful summer conversation and connection, ***we'd love to have you join us!*** Discussions will be facilitated by Rev. Grace and Rev. Lauren.

Our **July read** is *The Blessing of a Skinned Knee: Using Timeless Teachings to Raise Self-Reliant Children* by Wendy Mogel, Ph.D. A thoughtful and engaging exploration of raising resilient children with wisdom, boundaries, and compassion. July discussion dates are Sunday, July 12, 9:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall (between worship services) and Wednesday, July 15, 6:30 p.m. at the picnic tables.

Our **August intergenerational read** is *The Amazing Generation: Your Guide to Fun and Freedom in a Screen-Filled World* by Jonathan Haidt & Catherine Price. We'll gather for an intergenerational conversation and practical look at helping young people rediscover connection, play, and freedom in an increasingly digital world. August discussion dates are Sunday, August 16, 9:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall (between worship services) and Wednesday, August 19, 6:30 p.m. at the picnic tables.

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)

An unforgettable week of fun!

This year St. Martin's-in-the-Field hosts Cokesbury's "Snowball Mountain Challenge" VBS. The week of July 27-31, our campus will turn into an engaging winter wonderland where children can learn about the Bible and build relationships. Sign by scanning the QR code or visiting our website: www.stmartinsinthefield.com/events/ Contact Tabitha Carman, tabitha.carmanrn@gmail.com.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR VBS

Help children grow in their faith.

Our VBS is powered by the gifts of volunteers. We'd love to have you join the team. Scan the QR code and sign up today! Contact Tabitha Carman, tabitha.carmanrn@gmail.com.



WALKIN' LOVES

Lace up your shoes for fresh air and fellowship.

Join our Walkin' Loves group on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8:00 a.m. at Kinder Farm Park. Meet us off of Kinder Rd., near the small playground. The loop is 2.4 miles, mostly level, and takes about 45 minutes to complete. All ages and fitness levels welcome. Contact Julie Reiter, voicesbyjulie@gmail.com.

BIBLE CHALLENGE GROUP - STUDY OF GENESIS

Explore our origin story through a study of Genesis.

Whether this is your first bible study or your hundreth we hope you will join us. We will be using the book "Genesis (LifeChange)," which can be purchased from your favorite book seller. We welcome newcomers any time! Meeting are Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. in St. Martin's House. Contact Cindy Neseth, cincysue1@aol.com.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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FRACTION ANTHEM

H 301

The Congregation joins in the singing of the Communion Hymns.

COMMUNION HYMNS

See Insert

SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. **We who are many are one body because we all share one bread, one cup.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN

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DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ! Alleluia, alleluia!

Thanks be to God! Alleluia, alleluia!

After the dismissal, you may remain seated for the postlude or exit to the Narthex.

POSTLUDE

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St. Martin's-in-the-Field Summer Worship

Sixth Sunday of Pentecost | July 5, 2026

PRELUDE: *Meditation on "Materna"*

Matthew McConnell

OPENING HYMN: *We Will Extol You*

H 404

COLLECT OF THE DAY

God be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Zechariah 9:9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

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

PSALM 145:8-15

The Psalm is prayed responsively by whole verse.

⁸ The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and of great kindness.

⁹ **The Lord is loving to everyone and his compassion is over all his works.**

¹⁰ All your works praise you, O Lord, and your faithful servants bless you.

¹¹ **They make known the glory of your kingdom and speak of your power;**

¹² That the peoples may know of your power and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

¹³ **Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages.**

¹⁴ The Lord is faithful in all his words and merciful in all his deeds.

¹⁵ **The Lord upholds all those who fall; he lifts up those who are bowed down.**

SECOND READING

Romans 7:15-25a

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

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

All stand and sing.

SEQUENCE HYMN: *I Heard The Voice Of Jesus Say*

H 692

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

Jesus said to the crowd, "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.' For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds." At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

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

SERMON

The Rev. Lauren R. Holder

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: *Swing Low, Sweet Chariot*

Arr. Glenda Franklin

COMMUNION HYMN: *Softly And Tenderly Jesus Is Calling*

L 101

**Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, Calling for you and for me;
See, on the portals He's waiting and watching, Watching for you and for me.**

***Refrain: Come home, come home, come home, come home, Ye who are weary, come home!
Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, Calling, O sinner, come home!**

**Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading, Pleading for you and for me?
Why should we linger and heed not His mercies, Mercies for you and for me? *Refrain**

**Time is now fleeting, the moments are passing, Passing for you and for me;
Shadows are gathering, death beds are coming, Coming for you and for me. *Refrain**

**Oh! For the wonderful love He has promised, Promised for you and for me;
Though we have sinned, He has mercy and pardon, Pardon for you and for me. *Refrain**

COMMUNION HYMN: *Shall We Gather At The River*

L 141

**Shall we gather at the river, Where bright angel feet have trod;
With its crystal tide forever Flowing by the throne of God?**

***Refrain: Yes, we'll gather at the river, The beautiful, the beautiful river;
Gather with the saints at the river That flows by the throne of God.**

**On the margin of the river, Washing up its silver spray,
We will walk and walk and worship ever, All the happy golden day. *Refrain**

**Ere we reach the shining river, Lay we ev'ry burden down;
Grace our spirits will deliver, And provide a robe and crown. *Refrain**

**Soon we'll reach the shining river, Soon our pilgrimage will cease,
Soon our happy hearts will quiver With the melody of peace. *Refrain**

CLOSING HYMN: *My Country, 'Tis Of Thee*

H 717

POSTLUDE: *The Stars and Stripes Forever*

John Philip Sousa arr. Vladimir Horowitz