



Christ's temptation. Mosaic in Monreale Cathedral.

First Sunday in Lent

February 18, 2024
8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

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

The Reverend Joshua Rodriguez-Hobbs, *Interim Rector*
The Reverend Nathan Erdman, *Associate Rector and Chaplain*
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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The Holy Season of Lent

This season of Lent St. Martin's is offering new opportunities for you to grow deeper in your faith, and deeper in relationship with your St. Martin's parish family..

TUESDAY NIGHT LENTEN PROGRAM: TASTE AND SEE

Tuesdays, February 20-March 19, 5:30 p.m. (Parish Hall)



Join us each Tuesday in Lent and Holy Week for a simple dinner and an intergenerational program. We will gather to hear the story of Jesus' experiences in Holy Week using Godly Play, an interactive storytelling format. Following our story, we will reflect on how Jesus' story impacts our own stories through art, movement, music, and discussion. We need volunteers to bring soup to share. **For details and to sign up to bring soup, scan the QR code or visit www.stmartinsinthefield.com/events/** Contact Rev. Josh, rector@stmartinsinthefield.org.



THE MEANING OF THE CROSS AND RESURRECTION

Thursdays, February 22-March 21; 12 p.m. (St. Martin's House) or 7 p.m. (Zoom)

Join us for a Lenten book discussion of *The Sign and the Sacrifice: The Meaning of the Cross and Resurrection* by Rowan Williams. We'll explore his short and accessible book on the meaning of the Crucifixion and Easter. **For details and to register scan the QR code or visit www.stmartinsinthefield.com/events/** Contact Rev. Nathan, associate@stmartinsinthefield.org.

YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR THESE WEEKLY PROGRAMS:

CHILDREN AND YOUTH PROGRAMS

Sundays, 9:00 a.m. (Arrival time 8:45-9:00 a.m.)

Sunday School (K-Grade 5): SMES Art and Science Rooms

Rite-13 (Grade 6-8): Lower Heck Hall

J2A (Grade 9-10): Lower St. Martin's House

Confirmation Class/YAC (Grade 10-11): St. Martin's House

Register at stmartinsinthefield.com/parish-life/ or contact Rev. Nathan, associate@stmartinsinthefield.org.

PARENTS' GROUP - Sundays, 9:00 a.m. (Parish Hall)

Each week we explore different aspects of faith-based parenting and join in fellowship. This group is geared for parents/guardians of school-aged children, but is open to all who wish to attend. For a schedule of events **visit www.stmartinsinthefield.com/events/**. Contact Chris and Liz Lucas, stmartinsparentsgroup@gmail.com.

BIBLE CHALLENGE BOOK STUDY

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

You are invited to join us as we study of the Book of James. We are using the study guide <https://lamplightersusa.org/product/james/> published by Lamplighters International. For details contact Cindy Neseth, cincysue1@aol.com.

INTERIM RECTOR'S BIBLE STUDY

Canceled 2/19, resumes Monday 2/26, 11:30 a.m. (St. Martin's House, upper level)

Join Rev. Josh for a weekly drop-in Bible study. Bring your Bible (or borrow one from the Church office) and a brown bag lunch as we study the Gospel of Mark. Contact Rev. Josh, rector@stmartinsinthefield.org.

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL

Children's Chapel happens during the 10:00 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. Contact Rev. Nathan, associate@stmartinsinthefield.org for details.

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.

SUNDAY NURSERY - Available Sundays from 8:45 a.m. - 11:30 p.m. for infants and children ages 3 and under. Located in Parish Hall, see an usher for directions.



NEW TO ST. MARTIN'S?

Please scan our QR code and help 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);
all are invited to participate fully in our worship of God this morning.*

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

THE WORD OF GOD

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CONFESSON AND ABSOLUTION	BCP p. 330
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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GIVING

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give online via our secure online system at <https://stmartinsinthefield.com/giving/give/>

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE	BCP p. 343
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DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

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please wait until AFTER the chalice is offered and simply cross your arms over your chest.*

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER	BCP p. 339
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THE SOLEMN PRAYER	See p. 6 of bulletin
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DISMISSAL

You're invited to join us for coffee, donuts and fellowship in the Narthex following our worship this morning.

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

Our worship services are taken from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP), The Hymnal 1982 (H) and Lift Every Voice and Sing II (L). We invite you to participate fully in our worship service, by both singing joyfully and with spoken responses which appear in bold.

During Lent the font is covered, since there is an ancient tradition of not baptizing people during Lent. The font will be refilled with holy water at Easter.

The Great Litany is one of the oldest English prayers in the Book of Common Prayer. This long prayer is traditionally prayed during Lent or on other penitential occasions.

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

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

THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE: *Das wohltemperierte Klavier II, No. 2 Prelude in c minor, BWV 871*

Johann Sebastian Bach

WELCOME

Please stand and sing.

THE GREAT LITANY

BCP p. 148

The Great Litany will be chanted. For responses use BCP p. 148 and for the music use H 67.

KYRIE

All sing.

H 88

COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP p. 218

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

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS

9:8-17

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

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

PSALM 25:1-9

BCP p. 614

¹ **To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

² **Let none who look to you be put to shame; let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.**

³ **Show me your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths.**

⁴ **Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.**

⁵ **Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.**

⁶ **Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.**

⁷ **Gracious and upright is the Lord; therefore he teaches sinners in his way.**

⁸ **He guides the humble in doing right and teaches his way to the lowly.**

⁹ **All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.**

Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

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

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL

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.

Please stand and sing.

SEQUENCE HYMN: *Forty days and forty nights*

H 150

THE HOLY GOSPEL

1:9-15

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

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

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

SERMON

The Reverend Joshua Rodriguez-Hobbs

One minute of silence.

NICENE CREED

BCP p. 358

CONFSSION AND ABSOLUTION

BCP p. 360

THE PEACE

The Gospel procession into the congregation reminds us that Jesus came among us.

All face the Gospel.

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.

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In our parish family long term prayers are requested for: George, Geoffrey, Joe, Joey, Bill, Lee, Jax, Sumner, Candy, Ellen, Brody, Matt, and Kyle.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: *The Glory of These Forty Days*

Josquin des Prez

DOXOLOGY

All stand and sing.

H 143, v. 1

*The glory of these forty days we celebrate with songs of praise;
for Christ, through whom all things were made, himself has fasted and has prayed.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

BCP p. 361

SANCTUS

*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.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP p. 364

FRACTION

All sing.

H S 166

*Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us your peace..*

INVITATION

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please wait until AFTER the chalice is offered and simply cross your arms over your chest.*

Gluten-Free wafers are available. If you would like to receive a gluten-free wafer, please stand to the far left of the altar rail, near the piano.

THE CONGREGATION JOINS IN THE SINGING OF THE COMMUNION HYMNS

COMMUNION HYMNS: *Now let us all with one accord*

H 146

What wondrous love is this

H 439

Please stand.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP p. 366

A SOLEMN PRAYER

Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

During Lent,
we will use
bread for **Holy
Communion**
instead of our
usual wafers.
Our Bread
Ministry,
Parents'
Group, and
Sunday School
partnered to
bake our altar
bread.

A Solemn
Prayer is
used instead
of a blessing
during Lent.
This change
reflects
Lent's somber
atmosphere,
especially
when
compared
to Easter.

DISMISSAL

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE: *Postlude on "The Glory of These Forty Days"*

Matthew McConnell

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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.

At the close of
 our worship
 service please
 exit the
 sanctuary
 quietly or stay
 and enjoy **the**
postlude.



Sign Up to Receive the E-Pistle

The weekly E-Pistle parish newsletter is the primary method of communication to our parish family. Don't miss this opportunity to keep informed about all of the wonderful ways we are an active and joyful congregation serving Christ in the world.

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