

Church of Saint Martin-in-the-Fields

The Reign of Christ

November 24, 2024

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (said)

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist (choral)

Celebrant and Preacher: Father Nicholas Hatt, Incumbent

Welcome! We are glad to have you join us in worship today.

The order of service is printed below. The words of the service are found in the green *Book of Alternative Services*. The words of the hymns are found in the blue *Book of Common Praise*. Please note that the hymns are omitted during the 8:30 a.m. service.

Our Church School (for youth up to the age of 12) gathers downstairs in the Hall prior to the start of worship. They return to the church during the Offertory Hymn, in time for Communion. New children are always welcome. Youth Group, ages 13-18, meets after church on the first and third Sundays of every month.

Introit Hymn #101 Crüger
The Gathering of the Community p. 185
Glory to God p. 186

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King, grant that the peoples of the earth, now divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his gentle and loving rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Now these are the last words of David: The oracle of David, son of Jesse, the oracle of the man whom God exalted, the anointed of the God of Jacob, the favourite of the Strong One of Israel: The spirit of the Lord speaks through me, his word is upon my tongue. The God of Israel has spoken, the Rock of Israel has said to me: One who rules over people justly, ruling in the fear of God, is like the light of morning, like the sun rising on a cloudless morning, gleaming from the rain on the grassy land. Is not my house like this with God? For he has made with me an everlasting covenant, ordered in all things and secure. Will he not cause to prosper all my help and my desire? But the godless are all like thorns that are thrown away; for they cannot be picked up with the hand; to touch them one uses an iron bar or the shaft of a spear. And they are entirely consumed in fire on the spot.

Reader The word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.



- 1. <u>Lord</u>, remember David, and all the <u>hard</u>ships he endured;
- 2. How he swore an <u>oath</u> to the Lord and vowed a vow to the Mighty <u>One</u> of Jacob:
- "I will not come under the <u>roof</u> of my house, nor climb up <u>in</u>to my bed;
- I will not allow my eyes to sleep, nor let my eyelids slumber;
- Until I find a <u>place</u> for the Lord, a dwelling for the Mighty <u>One</u> of Jacob."
- 6. "The Ark! We heard it was in Ephratah; we found it in the fields of Jearim.

- 7. Let us go to <u>God's</u> dwelling place; let us fall upon our knees before his footstool."
- 8. Arise, O Lord, into your resting-place, you and the ark of your strength.
- 9. Let your priests be <u>clothed</u> with righteousness; let your faithful peo<u>ple</u> sing with joy.
- 10. For your <u>ser</u>vant David's sake, do not turn away the face of your anointed.
- 11 The Lord has sworn an <u>oath</u> to David; in truth, he will not break it:
- 12. "A son, the <u>fruit</u> of your body will I set <u>up</u>on your throne.
- 13. If your children keep my covenant and my testimonies that I shall teach them,
 their children will sit upon your throne for evermore."

The Epistle

Revelation 1:4b-8

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Reader The word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. The Lord shall reign for ever and ever. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

Deacon The Lord be with you. People And also with you.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

John 18:33-37

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

People	Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
Sermon	Fr Nicholas Hatt
The Nicer	ne Creedp. 188

The Gosnel of Christ

Deacon

Prayers of the PeopleLitany #3, p. 112-113

Parish Prayer Cycle

FaithWorks Campaigns in our parish, and parishioners Samantha Thompson, Robina Teed, Caroline Taylor

Anglican Prayer Cycle
The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand, and Polynesia

Diocesan Prayer Cycle
FaithWorks Ministries

Those who have asked us for prayers

Huntly Andrea Wendy Margaret Timothy Debbie Lynda Bill Sean Raymond Bob John Elizabeth Gordon Phil Jonathan Mark Jill Ted Fr. Harold Bp. Victoria Janet Marian Ashley Mary-Elaine Bp. Geoff Woodcroft Bob Father David Canon David Aubrey

Faithful Departed
Seraphina

Leader

Let us offer our prayers to the source of all love and all life, saying, "Lord, hear our prayer."

Confession, Absolution and the Peace.....pp. 191-2

Offertory Hymn (see separate sheet)

Diademata



Please place your offering on the collection plate. E-transfers can be sent to cw-stmartininthefields@toronto.anglican.ca. Visit www.stmartininthefields.ca/donate or use the QR Code for more ways to give to our ongoing ministry.

Prayer over the Gifts

Eternal God, by your grace you have raised us up and enthroned us with Christ in the heavenly realms. Receive all we offer you this

day, and lead us in those good works for which you have created us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

The flowers at the chancel steps are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Elissa Barclay on the 5th anniversary of her tragic passing on her 39th birthday from her good friends, Jane & Joe.

We love you, we miss you & we pray for you always.

The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for God's healing grace and many blessings from the Hobson/Storey family.

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer #3, pp. 198-200

The Lord's Prayer, the Breaking of the Bread #2 and the Communion.....pp. 211-212

The Anglican Church of Canada welcomes all Christians who have been baptised in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit to come forward to the altar to receive the Blessed Sacrament. If you wish to receive only a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest while at the altar. Please let a sidesperson know if you require assistance. The Sacrament can be brought to you in your pew.

Communion Hymn (see separate sheet)

St. Botolph

Prayer after Communion

Almighty God, you have made us a royal priesthood in the kingdom of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Make known his victory through us, we pray, that all the world may see his light. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

The Doxology and Blessingp. 214

Announcements

Closing Hymn

#379 Darwall

The Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Parish News and Announcements

New Sunday Bulletin Format

Last Sunday we introduced a new format for the Sunday bulletin which will be used for all Sunday Services and posted online for livestream users. This new format should help us save on paper and printing costs, along with production and editing time in the parish office. We also hope that it will be a better guide to Sunday worship. Those who join us on livestream can access the full text of the Book of Alternative Services for free online at https://www.anglican.ca/about/liturgicaltexts/. If you would like the full text of the hymns while joining online please speak with Father Hatt (email priest@stmartininthefields.ca). The parish will be happy to help get you a copy of the Common Praise hymn book.

Advent Carol Service

St. Martin's annual Advent Carol Service takes place this year on Sunday, December 8th at 7:30 pm. Invite your family and friends to join our Music Director, Jack Hattey and the St. Martin's Parish Choir, together with guest instrumentalists, as they present a selection of Advent carols to herald the coming birth of our Saviour. A freewill offering at this service will be donated to the Toronto Urban Native Ministry (TUNM) (for more information, visit https://sites.google.com/view/tunm/home). The service will be followed by a reception to which all are invited. We greatly appreciate – and need – donations of finger food either sweet or savory for this reception.

Christian Education during Advent

St Martin's will be joining with the rest of the Diocese for the Bishops' online Advent study - "Advent for Everyone" - taking place over Zoom on <u>Tuesday</u> evenings (instead of our usual Wednesdays) starting Tuesday, November 26 and continuing on December 3, 10, and 17. We will hear reflections from our Bishops, plus there will be times for discussion in break-out groups. St Martin's will have its own dedicated break-out; when you register online, please indicate "St Martin in the Fields" in the parish field, so that you will be placed in our group. For more information, and to register for each session, go to: www.toronto.anglican.ca/events/advent-for-everyone.

Boiler Fund - Name that Campaign!

In January we plan to officially launch a fundraising campaign to replenish the monies borrowed from our Memorial Fund to pay for the new church boiler. Between now and then, we need to choose a name for our campaign! We have a few great names already proposed: The Fiery Furnace, Fill the Fund, Heat our Seats, Heat it Forward, Sweet Heat, and Warm our Hearts. Please submit your ideas (and write your name on the back of your suggestion) by Sunday, December 8th on the display board located at the main church entrance. The winner will receive a mystery prize (possibly dinner at the Rectory!)

Winter Coat Drive for PARC and ROMERO HOUSE

In the spirit of St. Martin who shared his cloak with someone in need one cold night, we are looking for clean winter coats in good order for both adults and children to be donated to PARC and Romero House. Winter boots, hats and gloves are also a great need. Boxes will be available at the back of the church to receive your donations. Any questions, please contact Glen Storey or Judith Kidd.

Christmas Market and Online Gift Auction

The online auction started last Friday and runs until Nov 28. Find the auction on our Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/stmartininthefieldsTO. Bid on some of the great items yourself and share the link with friends and family. We would love to welcome more volunteers for the Christmas Market – to help set up on Friday, Nov 29 or to help staff tables on Saturday, Nov 30. See anyone on the Christmas Market team to volunteer. We are now accepting more books for the Market. Please bring in books next Sunday. We are looking for fiction, children's books, and puzzles. Posters are available at the back of the church – please take one to put up in the community or at your workplace!

Commitment Sunday

Today is Commitment Sunday, the final Sunday of St. Martin's annual stewardship campaign. Please submit your completed pledge, time and talent form in the envelope provided by putting it in the donation box at the back of the church or by mailing it to the church. You can also submit your form confidentially on-line by following the link on the parish web site, www.stmartininthefields.ca. Thank you to everyone who has submitted their pledge form. We are grateful for the support of your time, talent, and treasure as we foster the ministry of our parish in this community.

White Altar Frontal

The white altar frontal which is used on a number of high feast days (e.g. the Reign of Christ, Epiphany, and Corpus Christi) is missing this Sunday! It was sent away for restoration this week. We hope to have it back in about a year's time. The last time it underwent a restoration was about 60 years ago. Look for more information about this historic altar frontal in our next issue of the Lychgate, our Parish newsletter.

Community Christmas Meal

St. Martin-in-the-Fields parish will be hosting two tables at St. Olave's Church on Saturday, Dec. 7th from 12 pm to 2pm. for a meal for those in the community who may not have access to a Christmas meal or who may be spending the holidays alone. If you know of anyone who may be interested in attending, please make them aware of this event. There is a notice posted on the narthex bulletin board with details. If anyone is interested in helping with the event, please contact Judith Kidd.

Christmas Cheer Fund

Just a reminder that each year at this time there are envelopes available for those who wish to contribute to the Christmas Cheer fund. These givings are used for gifts for parish shut ins and for a family at Romero House. The envelopes will be at the table at the back of the church.

Healey Willan Singers Concert "Christmas Lullabies"

An afternoon of soothing choral music to celebrate Advent and Christmas will be presented Sunday December 15 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Martin's by Conductor Ron Cheung. Tickets are cash only, available at the door. \$25 for adults, \$20 for students/seniors.

Voices Chamber Choir Concert "Joyeux Noël"

Music of the season by Charpentier, Bruckner, Stopford, and others *plus* a Carol Sing-along will be presented Wednesday December 18 at 8:00 p.m. at St. Martin's by Director Ron Cheung. Tickets may be ordered at voiceschamberchoir@yahoo.ca, or are available at the door. \$25 for adults, \$20 for students/seniors.

Please send announcements for the weekly bulletin to the parish office (office@stmartininthefields.ca) by 10 a.m. on Wednesdays.

This Week at St Martin's

Tuesday, November 26 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

Thursday, November 28 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Pickleball (Hall) 8 p.m. Choir Practice (Church)



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Weekly Worship Schedule

Sundays 8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (said)

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist (choral)

Tuesdays 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist (said)

Feast days and special services as announced.