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Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 11, 2025

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (said) 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (choral) Celebrant & Preacher: *The Rev'd Canon Alyson Barnett-Cowan, Honorary Assistant*

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 (omitted during the 8:30 a.m. service) are found in the blue *Book of Common Praise*.

Our Church School (for youth up to age 12) attend worship until the reading of the Gospel lesson for the day after which they head downstairs for their lessons, returning to the church during the Offertory Hymn, in time for Communion. New children are always welcome.



Financial offerings can be placed on the collection plate. E-transfers can be sent to <u>cw-stmartininthefields</u> <u>@toronto.anglican.ca</u>. Use the QR Code or visit <u>www.stmartininthefields.ca/donate</u> for more information. We are grateful for all contributions towards our ongoing ministry.

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Introit Hymn #364

(Iste Confessor)

The Gathering of the Community

Celebrant	Alleluia! Christ is risen.
People	The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia !
Celebrant	May his grace and peace be with you.
People	May he fill our hearts with joy.

Glory to God

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The Collect

O God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make us perfect in every good work to do your will, and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

First Reading

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Acts 9:36-43

Psalm 23



- 1. <u>The Lord</u> is my shepherd;* I shall <u>not</u> be in want.
- He makes me lie down in green <u>pas</u>tures* and leads me bes<u>id</u>e still wätërs.
- He revives <u>my</u> soul* and guides me along right pathways <u>for</u> his näme's säke.
- 4. Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no <u>e</u>vil;*

for you are with me; your rod and your <u>staff</u>, they comfört më.

- You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trou<u>ble</u> me;* you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is <u>run</u>ning övër.
- Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of <u>my</u> life,* and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ëvër.

The Lesson

Revelation 7:9-17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the

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throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one who knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat, for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. *I am the good shepherd, says the Lord: I know my own and my own know me.* **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.

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of

Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one." *John 10:22-30*

Deacon	The Gospel of Christ.	
People	ple Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.	
Sermon	The Rev'd Canon Alyson Barnett-Cowan	
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The Nicene Creed

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Parish Prayer Cycle All Mothers, and all who have played a mothering role in our lives; Stephanie Geraets; Jonathan Gentry; Aubrey Franklin & Sandy Swift; Jenny Formanek

> Anglican Cycle of Prayer The Nippon Sei Ko Kai

Diocesan Prayer Cycle Theological Education/Vocations for Ministry

Those who have asked us for prayers Bob Thornley, David Bradshaw, Edith Paxton, Erma MacDonald, Mark Oliver, Sean Palin, Mark, Aws, Selwa, Lubna, Sylvia, Father Harold, Bishop Victoria, Bishop Geoff Woodcroft, Margaret Carlisle, Raymond Dunning, Marian MacDonald, Father David Mulholland, John Martin, River, Leanna, Gerald Mangina, Leah, Ted, Phil Renouf, Ted R, Huntly Duff, The Rev'd David Howells, Catharine McKnight, Barb, Lindsey, Dennis Freeman, Annie Muravsky, Carl Seeley, Festim Kananaj, Angus, Janet, Judie, Elizabeth, Jane Rozdzilski

Please send the names of loved ones for the prayer list to Fr Hatt at priest@stmartininthefields.ca

Confession, Absolution and the Peace

Offertory Hymn #457

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of Mother's Day by Rebecca and Doug Eacho.

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(O Filii et Filiae)

Prayer over the Gifts

God of loving care, you spread before us the table of life, and give us the cup of salvation to drink. Keep us always in the fold of your Son Jesus Christ, our Saviour and our shepherd. **Amen**.

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

The Lord's Prayer, the Breaking of the Bread #8and the Communionpp. 211-213

Priest	Lord, we died with you on the cross.
People	Now we are raised to new life.
Priest	We were buried in your tomb.
People	Now we share in your resurrection.
Priest	Live in us, that we may live in you.

The Anglican Church of Canada welcomes all Christians who have been baptized 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 #223

(Polish Carol)

Prayer after Communion

God of steadfast love, watch over the Church redeemed by the blood of your Son. May we who share in these holy mysteries come safely to your eternal kingdom, where there is one flock and one shepherd. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen.**

The Doxology & Blessing

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Announcements

Closing Hymn #330

(Laudate Dominum)

The Dismissal

Deacon	Go in the peace of Christ, Alleluia!
All	Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Parish News and Announcements

Walking of the Bounds

Mark your calendar for Saturday, May 25th when we will walk the bounds of the parish during Rogationtide. We hope to visit a few of the community organisations with our parish, pray for their ongoing work and that God would deepen our commitment to our neighbourhood. More information will follow!

Geraniums Sale: Petals for Clean Water

Today begins the sale of Geraniums for St. Martin's Garden. The sale will continue over the next 3 Sundays for both the 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services on May 11th, May 18th, and May 25th. The Geraniums are \$8 each, cash sales only.

The Geraniums are to be donated to St. Martin's garden while funds from the sale will be used to support projects in securing clean, running water in Indigenous communities. This effort invests in building trust and relationship with the people and leaders of Mishamikoweesh, one of the Dioceses in the Anglican Church of Canada, and the first Indigenous Diocese consisting of native communities in Northern Ontario and Northern Manitoba.

2025 Flower Chart

With spring's arrival we are looking for more parishioners who would like to serve the church by sponsoring flowers for our Sunday services. We encourage people to sign up on the Flower chart posted in the narthex to participate in this offering. Thank you.

Neighbourhood Fun Fair on June 7

Time is fast approaching for our annual Neighbourhood Fun Fair – a very popular event that St. Martin's offers to our local community free of charge. Please mark your calendars for Saturday, June 7th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Come with your family to welcome other community members into our space. Also, we need your help to make this event a success. Contact Kathie Wagg or Glen Storey in person at Coffee Hour or by email to volunteer for part or all of this event. The Missional Team definitely needs you! Help us 'to serve as Christ's hands and feet, and heart and mind' in our community.

Articles for The Lychgate Newsletter to be published on June 8

The deadline for submissions for the Summer issue of The Lychgate is May 25th. Please send submissions to Ian Greene.

Voices Chamber Choir Presents *From Psalms to Songs* **on May 31** On Saturday, May 31 at 8:00pm, Voices Chamber Choir will present their season finale *From Psalms to Songs*– a tour of choral music both sacred and secular from Brahms' *Geistliches Lied* (Sacred Song) to John Rutter's *Five Childhood Lyrics*. Tickets at the door are \$25.00 for adults, \$20.00 for students/seniors and free for children under 12.

Second Annual Deanery Evensong

Anyone who lives, works or worships in the Parkdale-Toronto West Deanery of the Diocese of Toronto is invited to St. Olave's, Swansea, 360 Windermere Avenue, for a Deanery-wide Choral Evensong on Sunday, June 1st, at 5:00 p.m. The Deanery includes the parishes, ministries and schools between the Humber River and University Avenue, and between Lake Ontario and Eglinton Avenue. Our guest preacher will be the Very Rev'd Dr. Stephen Hance, Dean of Toronto. A reception will follow in the parish hall.

Please submit announcements for the Sunday bulletin to the parish office by Wednesday at 10 a.m.

What's happening in our Church School?

During Eastertide, the church school will continue learning about Christ's post-resurrection appearances. Before returning to the service for the Eucharist, the church school will close its time together in prayer at the same time that the Prayers of the People are happening in the service.

What's happening in our Youth Group?

The Youth Group met after church last Sunday for Lunch, Prayer, and Bible Study.

Church School and Youth Group Prayers

The prayer requests the children share on Sundays are included in the Prayers of the People at the weekly Tuesday Eucharist.

This Week at St. Martin's

Sunday, May 11, Fourth Sunday of Easter 8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (said) 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (choral)

Monday, May 12 4:00 to 6:30 p.m. Romero House After School Programme (Hall) 7:30 p.m. Parish Council Meeting (Guild Room)

> *Tuesday, May 13* 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Easter Feria) (Chapel) 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Beavers (Parish Hall)

Wednesday, May 14 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist on the Feast of St. Matthias (Chapel) 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Cubs (Parish Hall)

Thursday, May 15 Pickleball (Parish Hall): 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., 8:00 to 9:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m. Choir Practice (Church)

Friday, May 16 7:30 p.m. Naturally High Park (Parish Hall)

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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.*