Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost November 15, 2026

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (said)
Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev'd Nicholas Hatt, Incumbent
11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (choral)
Celebrant: The Rt Rev'd Victoria Matthews, Honorary Assistant
Preacher: The Rev'd Nicholas Hatt, Incumbent

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

Our Church School (for children up to age 12) gathers downstairs for their lesson and returns to the service during the Offertory Hymn. Please speak with the greeters at the back of the church if you need assistance finding them. New children are always welcome.

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Introit Hymn #450 *Rhosymedre*

The Gathering of the Community *(Green Book)* p. 185

Glory to God p. 186

The Collect

Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to be the light of the world. Free us from all that darkens and ensnares us, and bring us to eternal light and joy; through the power of him who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

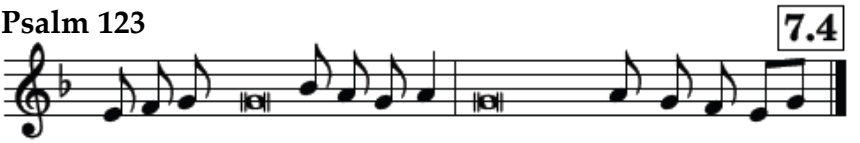
Old Testament Reading *Judges 4:1-7*

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, after Ehud died. So the Lord sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. Then the Israelites cried out to the Lord for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years. At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah

and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgement. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, "The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you, 'Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.' "

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

Psalm 123



Cantor 1 **To you** I **lift** up my eyes, *
People to you en**throned** in the heäv͡ens.
2 As the eyes of servants look to the **hand** of͡ their masters, *
and the eyes of a maid to the hand **of** her mistrëss,
Cantor 3 So our eyes **look** to͡ the Lord͡ our God, *
until he shows **us** his mercÿ.
People 4 Have mercy upon us, O **Lord**, have mercy, *
for we have had more than en**ough** of contëmpt,
Cantor 5 Too much of the scorn of the **in**dolent rich, *
People and of the deri**sion** of the pröud.

The Epistle *1 Thessalonians 5:1-11*

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. *I am the vine, you are the branches, says the Lord. Those who abide in me, and I in them, bear much fruit.* **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 Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus said, "For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five

talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'" *Matthew 25:14-30*

Deacon The Gospel of Christ.
People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

The Nicene Creed p. 188

Prayers of the People Litany #6, pp. 115-116

Parish Prayer Cycle: Health & Safety and Property Management; Alex MacQuarrie, David and Patty McKnight, Jennifer McCallum, Yvonne Maynard, Victoria Matthews

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Iglesia Anglicana de Chile

Diocesan Prayer Cycle: The Synod Office Staff

Those who have asked us for prayers: Mark Oliver, Sean Palin, Edith Paxton, Mark, Bishop Victoria, Joan, Anne, Huntly, Jane Rozdzilski, Ted, Ted R., Dale Gillespie, Cari, Nelson, Heather, Aws, Selwa, Lubna, Dennis Freeman, Raymond Dunning, John Martin, River, Greg, Josie, Estella Joseph, Maurine Smith, Cheryl Atkins, Stuart Macadam, Grace, Lesbilina Oliveira and family, Robert, Steve, Todd Cowans, Norman Michael Devine, Leslie Dyment, Greg and Roseann Hart, Ray Shaver, Fr David Mulholland, Danny Cooper, Virginia Cummings, Father Adolfo Losaria, Dave Hattey, Hazel Bentley, and all others on our hearts this day.

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

Confession, Absolution and the Peace pp. 191-192

Offertory Hymn #529 *Michael*

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

The flowers at the altar and at the Madonna are given with thanksgiving to God for the life in love shared between Robert Kananaj and Roberta Laking Kananaj.

Prayer over the Gifts

Holy God, in this eucharist we renew our baptismal covenant. Help us, through our offering this day, to renounce all things that draw us from your love. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer 1, pp. 193-195

The Lord's Prayer, the Breaking of the Bread #1 and the Communion pp. 211-213

We welcome baptised and communicant members of all Churches to receive the Holy Eucharist. If you do not wish to receive the Sacrament today, you are welcome to come to the rail to receive a blessing by crossing your arms on your chest. We move to the altar starting from the back of the church.

Communion Hymn #62 *A Va De*

Prayer after Communion

Gracious God, in this sacrament we have shared the body and blood of Christ. May we who have been nourished by holy things bear witness to his light, and share in his eternal priesthood; for he is Lord for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Doxology & Blessing p. 214

Announcements

Closing Hymn #330 *Laudate Dominum*

The Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Parish News and Announcements

Youth Group - Today!
The parish youth group meets today at 12:30 p.m. in the Guild Room for a light lunch and a discussion about genocide, peace-keeping and suffering. Thank you to Dr Walter Dorn who will speak with our young people about this important and challenging topic.

Stewardship Campaign Update - Curacy
St. Martin's annual stewardship campaign is now under way. Please submit your Pledge Sheet and Time & Talent Form on or before Commitment Sunday, November 22nd. You can complete the forms on-line. It's fast and easy and confidential. Go to www.stmartininthefields.ca and follow the link. Time and Talent Forms/Pledge Sheets are also available at the back of the church.

As announced at the recent Stewardship luncheon and in our parish newsletter, we thinking about hiring a curate (a newly ordained priest) to assist with our parish ministry. This will cost about $40,000 per year, requiring a 16% increase in our weekly offerings. A final decision will be made at the annual congregation-wide Vestry meeting in February. Please indicate your commitment to this new ministry when completing your pledges for 2027. Thank you!

Bible Study — Widows in the Bible
Canon Alyson is offering a Bible study for women whose partners have died beginning this Thursday, November 19th at 10 a.m. in the Guild Room. Feel free to contact Canon Alyson (alyson_bc@hotmail.com) for more information.

Coats, Scarves, and Hats For PARC and Romero House
The Missional Outreach Committee donation basket has been set up near the entry into the Church for donations of new and

gently-used coats and winter clothing for those in need. We will receive donations until Sunday, December 6th. Please ensure all winter wear is clean and in wearable condition. For more information, please contact Ingrid Whitaker.

Christmas Outreach at St Martin's
This Christmas, St Martin's Missional Outreach Committee will be sponsoring hampers for individuals and families in need at Romero House and in our community This is open to the whole parish: if you would like to help sponsor a family (which includes shopping for gifts), please contact Mely Barwick or Domitillah Antoinee.

St Martin's Christmas Market Update
Our Christmas *Online Auction* starts this Thursday, November 20th – look for an email with all the details later this week. Bid on great items and share the auction site with your friends, neighbours and relatives. You can also follow us on Facebook and share our posts.

Our Christmas *In-Person Market* is Saturday November 28th from 19 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the parish hall.

We need your donations!
Plan your baking: squares, loaves, pies, and Cookies, Cookies, Cookies. Our cookie plates are particularly popular. We welcome all types of home-baked cookies, and colourful Christmas cookies add pizzazz to the plates and boxes (please avoid elaborate icing which makes it hard to package the cookies).

Please drop off baked goods and frozen entrees on Friday, November 27th between 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. or on Saturday, November 28th before 9:30 a.m.
Books and puzzles can be dropped off in the box at the back of the church on Sundays.

All items, including crafts, jams and jellies, books, puzzles, and jewellery can be dropped off on Friday, November 27th between 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Want to volunteer?
If you'd like to help at the Market and don't have a role yet, please contact Lynn McKnight. It's lots of fun and a great way to meet people in our congregation and welcome our neighbourhood to the church.

Please help us advertise!
There are flyers at the back of the church. Please pick some up and post in your local coffee shop or other neighbourhood location.

Lychgate Newsletter
The next edition of our parish newsletter will be published on December 13th. Please submit your articles by November 29th to Ian Greene.

Address and Contact Information Updates
A friendly reminder to keep your address and contact information up to date with the parish office. Please email office@stmartininthefields.ca if your personal information has recently changed.

This Week at St Martin's

Today Sunday, November 15th *(Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost*
8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (said)
11 a.m. Holy Eucharist (choral)
12:30 p.m. Youth Group (Guild Room)

Monday, November 16th (*Margaret, Queen of Scotland, Helper of the Poor)*
7:30 p.m. Parish Council (Guild Room)

Tuesday, November 17th (*Hugh, Bishop of Lincoln)*
10 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Beavers (Hall)
7 – 8:30 p.m. Scouts (Hall)

Wednesday, November 18th *(Hilda, Abbess of Whitby)*
6:30 – 8 p.m. Cubs (Hall)

Thursday, November 19th *(Elizabeth, Princess of Hungary*)
1 – 3 p.m. Pickleball (Hall)
6 – 8 p.m. Pickleball (Hall)
8 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Church)

Friday, November 20th *(Edmund, King of East Anglia, Martyr)*
8 a.m. – 6 p.m. Toronto Kidz P.A. Day Camp (Hall)
7:45 – 10 p.m. Naturally High Park (Hall)

Saturday, November 21st
10:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Healey Willan Singers Rehearsal (Church)

Next Sunday, November 22nd *(Reign of Christ)*
8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (said)
11 a.m. Holy Eucharist (choral)



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The Rev'd Canon David Luxton		*Honorary Assistant*
The Rt Rev'd Victoria Matthews		*Honorary Assistant*

Parish Officers and Staff

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Weekly Service Schedule

Sundays	8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (said)
	11 a.m Holy Eucharist (choral)
Tuesdays	10 a.m. Holy Eucharist (said, in the Calvary Chapel)

Feast days and special services as announced.

The Parish Office is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8 a.m. to 12 noon and on Wednesdays from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

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