

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

June 23, 2024 - 10 a.m. Morning Prayer



St. Martin's Episcopal Church
All are welcome
and fed with the love of God
pets too!

Lectionary Readings and Music

Prelude:

Opening Hymn: Praise to the living God (372) vss 1,2,4

Psalm 133

- ¹Oh, how good and pleasant it is *
when brethren live together in unity!
- ²It is like fine oil upon the head *
that runs down upon the beard,
- ³Upon the beard of Aaron, *
and runs down upon the collar of his robe.
- ⁴It is like the dew of Hermon *
that falls upon the hills of Zion.
- ⁵For there the LORD has ordained the blessing: *
life forevermore.

First Reading: 1 Samuel 17:57--18:5, 10-16

⁵⁷On David's return from killing the Philistine, Abner took him and brought him before Saul, with the head of the Philistine in his hand. ⁵⁸Saul said to him, "Whose son are you, young man?" And David answered, "I am the son of your servant Jesse the Bethlehemite."

^{18:1}When David had finished speaking to Saul, the soul of Jonathan was bound to the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as his own soul. ²Saul took him that day and would not let him return to his father's house. ³Then Jonathan made a covenant with David, because he loved him as his own soul. ⁴Jonathan stripped

himself of the robe that he was wearing, and gave it to David, and his armor, and even his sword and his bow and his belt. ⁵David went out and was successful wherever Saul sent him; as a result, Saul set him over the army. And all the people, even the servants of Saul, approved.

¹⁰The next day an evil spirit from God rushed upon Saul, and he raved within his house, while David was playing the lyre, as he did day by day. Saul had his spear in his hand; ¹¹and Saul threw the spear, for he thought, "I will pin David to the wall." But David eluded him twice.

¹²Saul was afraid of David, because the LORD was with him but had departed from Saul. ¹³So Saul removed him from his presence, and made him a commander of a thousand; and David marched out and came in, leading the army. ¹⁴David had success in all his undertakings; for the LORD was with him. ¹⁵When Saul saw that he had great success, he stood in awe of him. ¹⁶But all Israel and Judah loved David; for it was he who marched out and came in leading them.

The reading concludes

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

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

¹As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. ²For he says,

“At an acceptable time I have listened to you,
and on a day of salvation I have helped you.”

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! ³We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we

have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, ⁷truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see – we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

¹¹We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. ¹²There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. ¹³In return – I speak as to children – open wide your hearts also.

The reading concludes

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Third Reading Mark 4:35-41

³⁵On that day, when evening had come, [Jesus] said to them, “Let us go across to the other side.” ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said

to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?” ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

The reading concludes

Lay Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Collect

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Final Hymn: Lead us, heavenly Father (559)

Community Prayer List

Please pray for: Bob & Diane Rogalcheck, Marlon Brooks, Nancy Modrow, Amanda Vandervort, Ken Fringer, Nancy Schaper, Tom Beechey, Ann Davis, Heidi Partain, Mark Savage, Laura Wolff, Sarah, Lisa Stevens, Joan Soski, Curt Van Peenan, Ellie, Greg & John Rasmussen, Rob Sorenson, Nicole Cortino, Jessica Webb, David Broderon & Jan Langdon, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Raggles - the dog, Charles Sterner, Mary Savage and Kris Dahlstrom.

For the members of the Des Plaines Chronic Pain Group

For all who are suffering because of recent natural disasters, as well as human tragedies, especially the carnage in the Holy Land, for refugees, all who are affected by gun violence, systemic racism, and everyone impacted by the COVID-19 virus.

For all Veterans and those currently serving in the military, especially: Oriana & Richardson Naki, William Revell, Mike Bozza, Ben Suecheck, Ryan Staats, Zachary Kielar, Jimmy Pham, Michael Webb and all who serve in any military, those wounded in action, and all in harm's way.

For the Saint Martin's Church and Vestry

For those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week including James Hickey, Derek Rasmussen and Gloria Wilberg.

For those who grieve the recent **death** of loved ones.

Tilly McCarren

Jerry Johnson

Announcements

Coffee Hour Hosts are needed for the end of June and July. Sign up on the bulletin board in Strauss-Betker Hall.

Libby and Bob Smolik are hosting coffee hour today.

Are you a resident of Des Plaines?

As you know, SPEAK Des Plaines is partnering with the city of Des Plaines to distribute a resident survey to determine community strengths and unmet needs.

The survey is available in English as well as Spanish, Polish, Russian, Hindi, Tagalog, Farsi, Urdu, Gujarati, and can be accessed at: www.desplaines.org/survey

Paper copies of the survey are also available. To obtain one, send a request to: speakdesplaines@gmail.com



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5th Annual St. Martin's Episcopal Church

Bowling Fundraiser

Friday, June 28, 2024

River Rand Bowl - 191 S River Rd.

Des Plaines, IL 60016

6:30 - 9:00 pm



\$50 per person includes:

2 Games of Bowling, Shoe Rental, Food, & Raffle

PRIZES include:

\$200 Southwest Airlines gift card

44" TV

Paintball outing with Paint Pursuit Games

...and more!



Pride Month is an annual celebration of the many contributions made by the LGBTQ+ community to history, society and cultures worldwide. In most places, Pride is celebrated throughout the month of June each year in commemoration of its roots in the Stonewall Riots of June 1969.

<https://www.history.com/topics/gay-rights/pride-month>

OUR DESTINATION IS IN SIGHT



So many of you have shared your thoughts and feelings by completing the Church Assessment Tool. You have our gratitude. Rest assured that your responses are 100% confidential. If by chance you have not completed the assessment yet, you have a little more than a week to make your voice heard. HOW ABOUT TODAY!

If you have questions, please contact Rev. M.E. (rev.m.e.eccles@gmail.com).

Many thanks,

Rev. M.E. Eccles (Rector), Bryan Coussens (Senior Warden) & Dee Vihnanek (Junior Warden)

Kris Dahlstrom, Nancy Kostka, & Bob Smolik (Vestry)

Our timeline for playing with the CAT is as follows:

- June 9 CAT let loose on-line! (open it)
- June 30 Wrangle the CAT to take a nap (close it)
- July 7 Town Hall to discuss the Vital Signs report ← Save the Date!

New Diocese of Chicago Pride T-Shirts for Adults and Kids

Participants in Pride celebrations around the diocese are invited to bring Bishop Clark's message of "Leading with Love" to their communities by wearing our new **Diocese of Chicago Pride t-shirts for adults and kids**. These shirts are produced locally in Chicago through **Threadless** and are sold at cost for home delivery. **Visit Threadless** to view available styles, colors, and sizes.



Chicago Pride Parade: Changes and Opportunities

June 30



The City of Chicago has imposed many **changes on the 2024 Chicago Pride Parade**, including new restrictions on the number of participants per parade entry. As a result, the Chicago Coalition of Welcoming Churches has limited its partner organizations, including the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago, to bringing only four marchers who must be registered in advance. Read more in the **Windy City Times**.

Anyone who would like to be one of the four marchers is asked to email **Jen Boyle Tucker** with their name, congregation, and best phone number.

"While we're sad that the parade limits don't allow for all to march, we are thrilled that our siblings at **St. Peter's Episcopal Church** have invited all members of the diocese to join them in their ministry of welcome and hospitality on the steps of the church at **617 W. Belmont**," Tucker said.

St. Peter's doors will be open from 9 am until the parade ends, and volunteers will hand out cold water, direct visitors to the parish's accessible, all-gender bathrooms, and demonstrate the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago's shared commitment to welcome and inclusion.

If you can join this ministry of presence at St. Peter's, please make your way to the church steps on June 30 beginning at 9 am.

Pride Celebrations Around the Diocese

Congregations participating in Pride celebrations outside of Chicago are invited to share their plans in upcoming newsletters and in [this online listing](#). Email **Jen Boyle Tucker** with dates, times and who to contact for more information.



The General Convention Begins June 23 Election of 28th Presiding Bishop on June 26

Bishop Clark and the deputation from the Diocese of Chicago will attend the 81st General Convention of the Episcopal Church, June 23 to 28 in Louisville, Kentucky.

The deputation held its final pre-convention meeting earlier today. We are very prepared and following, in particular, resolutions on the Holy Land, racial justice and reconciliation, and structure, Louisa McKellaston, a four-time deputy who chairs the diocesan deputation, said. McKellaston is secretary of the legislative committee that will review the House of Bishops election of the 28th Presiding Bishop, scheduled for the morning of June 26, and recommend to the House of Deputies whether to vote to consent.

Three-time deputy M.E. Eccles chairs the House of Deputies legislative committee on Accessibility and Inclusion, while Crystal Plummer, also a three-time deputy, serves on the house legislative committee on Agencies and Boards. Jenny Replogle, a two-time deputy, serves on the legislative committee on Constitution and Canons, and Andrea Mysen, also a two-time deputy, serves on the legislative committee on World Mission.

Bishop Paula Clark, who attended the 2022 General Convention as bishop-elect, is a member of the House of Bishops legislative committee on Social Justice and United States Policy.

The GC81 Media Hub is a one-stop website for links to livestreams in the House of Bishops and House of Deputies, including the June 22 Episcopal Revival and convention worship.

On June 21 at 1 pm Central, nominees for president of the House of Deputies are scheduled to participate in a forum that will be livestreamed; at 3 pm Central the same day, nominees for presiding bishop are scheduled to take part in a livestreamed forum. Visit the media hub for links and more information, and download a draft General Convention calendar.

Please pray for Peace in the Holy Land

A Prayer for Peace in the Land of the Holy One

God of creation and of re-creation, we call on you for the gift of peace in these times of sorrow and of devastation in the Land of The Holy One.

We bring before you all those who suffer and all those who respond to their cry for compassion and understanding, for dignity and justice.

We pray for those who are injured and maimed, whose families are ripped apart and whose homes and livelihoods are gone.

Our prayer and our hope, Lord God, are for the sound of harmony and the voice of humanity.

We ask in the name
of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Amen

Archbishop Michael Jackson
Dublin & Glendalough

Photo: The Episcopal Church

Please continue to keep Presiding Bishop Michael Curry and his family in your prayers.

O God of heavenly powers, by the might of your command you drive away from our bodies all sickness and all infirmity: Be present in your goodness with your servant Michael, that his

weakness may be banished, and his strength restored; and that, his health being renewed, he may bless your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (BCP, p. 458)

Great News:

The Zelle logo is a purple square with the word "zelle" in white lowercase letters.

St. Martin's now takes Zelle payments for pledge payments and donations. Just use your Zelle app and go to Saintmartinschurch1095@gmail.com

CPR and First Aid Class

Date: Sunday, July 7th
Time: 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Location: St Martin's Episcopal Church
Cost: \$40

Learn life-saving skills in a comprehensive CPR and First Aid class! Whether you're a beginner or need a refresher, this class will provide you with the knowledge and confidence to handle emergencies.

****Sign up to reserve your spot! SPACE IS LIMITED!****

To register, please contact Denise Bozza at denise@bozza.org

The Fourth of July is right around the corner.

St. Martin's will be partnering with Sysco Foods to provide ice cream cups for parade goers. We will have a table at the parade (location tba). Justin Cochran will be coordinating so if you would like to help or just be there to greet people, please be in touch with him.

Jccochran847@gmail.com

A big thank you to Sysco Foods for providing all of the ice cream we will need.

A Head's Up about the Office

Both Rev. M.E. and Helayne will be away for a significant amount of time and there will be no regular office hours while they are gone. Phone messages and email will be checked regularly, but please call one of the Wardens if you have a pressing question.

Rev. M.E. will be away at General Convention

June 21 - July 2

Helayne will be away

June 22 - July 23

Save-the-Date

Jane Goerss Celebration of Life

Saturday, October 12 at 11:00 am

Plan on wearing your best festive hat

Pledge and Donation Reminder

As we move through 2024 (yes, it is almost 1/2 over!) we just want to remind you to keep up your pledge payments. Did you know you could put them on a credit card? Did you know that you can now make payments on ZELLE? Did you know you can have the bank send an automatic check once a month? Each of these options affords you the opportunity to not have to think about it. It can all be done for you.

For those who like to write checks or put cash in envelopes at church, we love and appreciate that as well.

As the St. Martin's Vestry, clergy and staff, we are so grateful for all of your attention, care and love. Thank you all for being a part of the St. Martin's family.

Community Blood Drive at St. Hugh **June 27**

St. Hugh of Lincoln Episcopal Church in Elgin will host a **community blood drive** with Versiti Blood Center on Thursday, June 27 from 2:30 to 7 pm. Blood donations decrease during the summer months, so parishioners and community members are asked to help meet the critical need for blood at many suburban hospitals.



Register online for a donation time or by calling 800-7TO-GIVE. While appointments are appreciated, walk-ins are welcome.

photo: St. Hugh's rector Marion Phipps donates blood.

[Mark Your Calendar](#)

June 28 ~ 6:30 pm – Bowling Fundraiser

June 30 ~ 10:00 am - Morning Prayer

July 4 ~ Independence Day – Ice Cream after Parade Event
Office Closed

July 7 ~ 10:00 am – Eucharist & Healing Prayer

July 7 ~ Q3 Town Hall Meeting

July 10 ~ 6:30 pm – Firepit Faith

July 14 ~ Morning Prayer

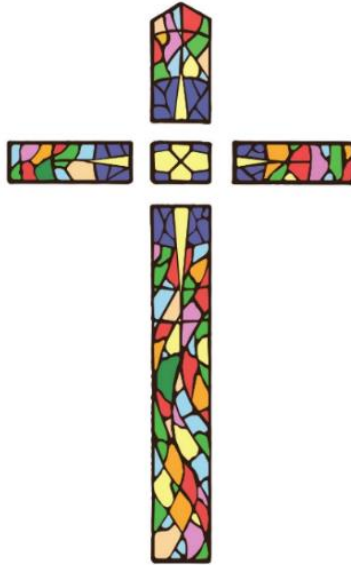
July 21 ~ Eucharist & Paws-in-the-Pew

July 28 ~ Morning Prayer

August 14 ~ 6:30 pm – Firepit Faith

August 20 ~ 6:30 pm – Vestry

1 September ~ PICNIC



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