

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 4, 2024 – 10 a.m. Morning Prayer



St. Martin's Episcopal Church
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pets too!

Lectionary Readings and Music

Prelude

Opening Hymn: Glorious things of thee are spoken 522 vs 1-3

Psalm: 51:1-13

- 1Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; *
in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- 2Wash me through and through from my wickedness *
and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3For I know my transgressions, *
and my sin is ever before me.
- 4Against you only have I sinned *
and done what is evil in your sight.
- 5And so you are justified when you speak *
and upright in your judgment.
- 6Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, *
a sinner from my mother's womb.
- 7For behold, you look for truth deep within me, *
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
- 8Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; *
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
- 9Make me hear of joy and gladness, *
that the body you have broken may rejoice.
- 10Hide your face from my sins, *
and blot out all my iniquities.
- 11Create in me a clean heart, O God, *
and renew a right spirit within me.
- 12Cast me not away from your presence *
and take not your holy Spirit from me.

13Give me the joy of your saving help again *
and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

First Reading: 2 Samuel 11:26--12:13a

26When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. 27When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son.

But the thing that David had done displeased the Lord, 12:1and the Lord sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, "There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. 2The rich man had very many flocks and herds; 3but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meager fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. 4Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him." 5Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, "As the Lord lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; 6he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity."

7Nathan said to David, "You are the man! Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; 8I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. 9Why have you despised the word of the Lord, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. 10Now therefore the

sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. 11Thus says the Lord: I will raise up trouble against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them to your neighbor, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very sun. 12For you did it secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun." 13aDavid said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the Lord."

The reading concludes

Lay Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading Ephesians 4:1-16

1I, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, 2with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, 3making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. 4There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, 5one Lord, one faith, one baptism, 6one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

7But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. 8Therefore it is said,

"When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people."

9(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? 10He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) 11The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, 12to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for

building up the body of Christ, 13until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. 14We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. 15But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, 16from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

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Third Reading John 6:24-35

24[On the next day, when the people who remained after the feeding of the five thousand] saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

25When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" 26Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. 27Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." 28Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" 29Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." 30So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? 31Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it

is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' " 32Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. 33For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." 34They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

35Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Collect

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Final Hymn: Guide me, O thou great Jehovah 690- all

Community Prayer List

Please pray for: Bob & Diane Rogalcheck, Nancy Modrow, Amanda Vandervort, Ken Fringer, Nancy Schaper, Tom Beechey, Ann Davis, Heidi Partain, Mark Savage, Laura Wolff, Sarah, Lisa Stevens, Joan Soske, Curt Van Peenan, Ellie, Greg & John Rasmussen, Rob Sorenson, Nicole Cortino, Jessica Webb, Charles Sterner, Raggles - the dog, David Broderson & Jan Langdon, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Richard Dekker, Gretchen, Grey, Katherine & Gregory, Richard Williams and Olivia Missner.

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, 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 Jim Batchelder, Katie Eccles, Monica Brunson, Louisa Moran and Amanda Vandervort.

For those who grieve the recent death of loved ones.

Sharon Valentine

Cyndi Hower

Jeanne Sargent

Delores Decker

Announcements

Coffee Hour Hosts are Needed for August.

Sign up on the bulletin board in Strauss-Betker Hall.

Thank you to John Rich for hosting today.

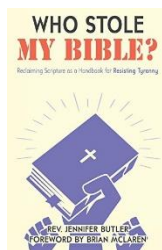
Prayer Flags

From Pastor Hope Chernich, our neighbor at First Church:

First Church Des Plaines is collecting prayers from the community. This summer, we aim to gather people from all corners of our community who show care for their neighbors and are actively pursuing peace. As people of faith, we often express ourselves in prayer. Prayer is a sacred practice of many different religions and cultures.

Our goal is to create a setting for our community, with its many different backgrounds, to come together and pray. Flags are a symbolic way for people to offer prayers to the Divine. Write your prayers on fabric flags*** for display at 668 Graceland this summer, courtesy of First Church Des Plaines.

Every week, our congregation members will gather under the flags to pray for God to listen to the prayers of our community. ****The fabric flags and sharpies will be available at the entrance to the sanctuary.*



Firepit Faith

Wednesday, 8/14 ~ 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Rain or shine!



When powerful people and Institutions twist faith to fit their views, It opens the door to tyranny. A just and compassionate world Is only possible If we can connect our faith, grounded In Scripture, to the way we live, move, and have our being. Join In a discussion of a portion of *Who Stole My Bible? Reclaiming Scripture as a Handbook for Resisting Tyranny.*

**St. Nick's Knacks:
A Rummage Sale**

St. Nicholas Episcopal Church
1072 Ridge Avenue, Elk Grove Village, Illinois

Friday, Aug. 16,
2024
9AM - 7PM
Saturday, Aug. 17,
9AM - 4PM

Come explore our treasures galore! See you there!

- Antiques & Vintage items
- Clothing
- Books
- Housewares
- Furniture
- Boutique Room
- Toys
- New-in-package items
- Holiday items
- Kitchen items
- Small appliances
- Much, much more



We're next to Clearmont School in Elk Grove Village (north of Devon on Ridge Avenue). We hope to see you at 1072!



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:

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





Celebration of Unity

Outdoor worship and lawn party

Sunday, August 25, 2024

Starting at 10:30 am

- *Outdoor Worship*
- *Lunch*
- *Live Music Performances Des Plaines is a melting pot of different nationalities and heritage. Come together with us for a festive Lawn Party marking our unity.*

ADMISSION IS FREE—NO NEED TO REGISTER.

On the front lawn of First Church, the United Methodist Church in Des Plaines.
668 Graceland Ave
Des Plaines, IL 60016

[Mark Your Calendar](#)

Rev. M.E. will be away
August 1-5 and August 8-10

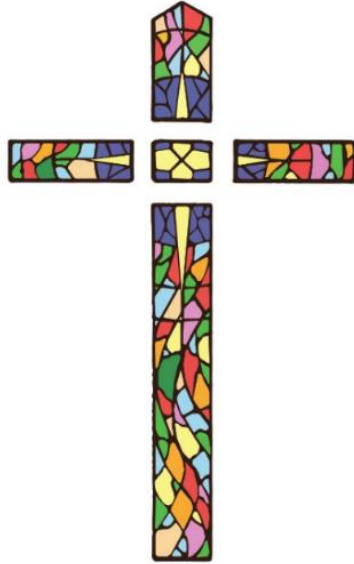
August 4 ~ 10:00 am – Morning Prayer
August 11 ~ 10:00 am – Morning Prayer
August 14 ~ 6:30 pm – Firepit Faith
August 18 ~ 10:00 am – Holy Eucharist
And Healing Corners
August 20 ~ 6:30 pm – Vestry
August 25 ~ 10:00 am – Morning Prayer

September 1 ~ Parish Picnic

Rev. M.E.'s hours

Tuesdays	9:00 am – 2:00 pm
Wednesdays	9:00 am – 2:00 pm
Thursdays	9:00 am – 2:00 pm
1 st & 3 rd Sundays	9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Or by appointment – *Subject to change*



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