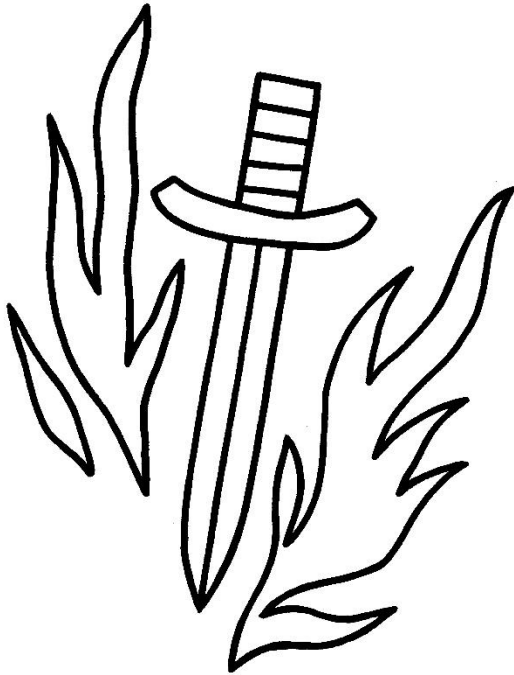


**10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after  
Pentecost  
August 18, 2025**



**St. Martin's Episcopal Church  
Des Plaines, Illinois**

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**Welcome to all who worship with us today.**

**We are blessed by your presence.**

*In the interest of creating a peaceful and prayerful space for worship,  
please refrain from conversation within the sanctuary  
10 minutes before and after the service.*

*Please silence your cell phone during the service  
as a sign of respect for God and the worshiping community.*

## **PRELUDE**

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN** Holy God, we praise Thy Name (366)  
vs 1,2,7

*The people remain standing for the Acclamation.*

**Celebrant:** Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People:** **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and  
forever. Amen.**

## **THE COLLECT FOR PURITY**

**Celebrant:** Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires  
known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse  
the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of  
your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy Name; through  
Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **THE GLORIA**

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1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and

peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly

King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we

give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus

Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*People:* **Amen.**

## THE LESSONS (*All sit*)

### The First Reading - Isaiah 5:1-7

<sup>1</sup>Let me sing for my beloved  
my love-song concerning his vineyard:  
My beloved had a vineyard  
on a very fertile hill.

<sup>2</sup>He dug it and cleared it of stones,  
and planted it with choice vines;  
he built a watchtower in the midst of it,  
and hewed out a wine vat in it;  
he expected it to yield grapes,  
but it yielded wild grapes.

<sup>3</sup>And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem  
and people of Judah,  
judge between me  
and my vineyard.

<sup>4</sup>What more was there to do for my vineyard  
that I have not done in it?  
When I expected it to yield grapes,  
why did it yield wild grapes?

<sup>5</sup>And now I will tell you  
what I will do to my vineyard.  
I will remove its hedge,  
and it shall be devoured;  
I will break down its wall,  
and it shall be trampled down.

<sup>6</sup>I will make it a waste;  
it shall not be pruned or hoed,  
and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns;  
I will also command the clouds  
that they rain no rain upon it.

<sup>7</sup>For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts  
is the house of Israel,

and the people of Judah  
are his pleasant planting;  
he expected justice,  
but saw bloodshed;  
righteousness,  
but heard a cry!

*Reader:* The word of the Lord.

***People:* Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 80:1-2, 8-18**

- <sup>1</sup>Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; \*  
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
- <sup>2</sup>In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, \*  
stir up your strength and come to help us.
- <sup>8</sup>You have brought a vine out of Egypt; \*  
you cast out the nations and planted it.
- <sup>9</sup>You prepared the ground for it; \*  
it took root and filled the land.
- <sup>10</sup>The mountains were covered by its shadow \*  
and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.
- <sup>11</sup>You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea \*  
and its branches to the River.
- <sup>12</sup>Why have you broken down its wall, \*  
so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?
- <sup>13</sup>The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, \*  
and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.
- <sup>14</sup>Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven;  
behold and tend this vine; \*  
preserve what your right hand has planted.
- <sup>15</sup>They burn it with fire like rubbish; \*  
at the rebuke of your countenance let them perish.
- <sup>16</sup>Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, \*  
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.
- <sup>17</sup>And so will we never turn away from you; \*  
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.
- <sup>18</sup>Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; \*  
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

## Second Reading – Hebrews 11:29—12:2

<sup>29</sup>By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. <sup>30</sup>By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. <sup>31</sup>By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

<sup>32</sup>And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—<sup>33</sup>who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, <sup>34</sup>quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. <sup>35</sup>Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. <sup>36</sup>Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. <sup>37</sup>They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—<sup>38</sup>of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

<sup>39</sup>Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, <sup>40</sup>since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

<sup>12:1</sup>Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup>looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

*Reader:* The word of the Lord

***People:* Thanks be to God.**



**SEQUENCE HYMN**    How firm a foundation, ye saints of the  
                                 Lord (637) vs 1,2,5

*(All stand)*

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL - Luke 12:49-56**

*Celebrant:*     The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
                         according to Luke.

***People:*        Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

[Jesus said,] <sup>49</sup>“I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! <sup>50</sup>I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! <sup>51</sup>Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! <sup>52</sup>From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; <sup>53</sup>they will be divided:

    father against son  
        and son against father,  
    mother against daughter  
        and daughter against mother,  
    mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law  
        and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

<sup>54</sup>He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain’; and so it happens. <sup>55</sup>And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat’; and it happens. <sup>56</sup>You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?”

*After the Gospel, the Celebrant says*

*Celebrant:*     The Gospel of the Lord.

***People:*        Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **THE SERMON**

## THE NICENE CREED

*(Please stand as able.)*

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*at the end of each petition...*

*Leader* ...we pray to you, O Lord:  
*People* **hear our prayer.**

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins to God.  
[silence]

**All** God of all mercy,  
we confess that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.  
We have denied your goodness in each other,  
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.  
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,  
the evil we have done,  
and the evil done on our behalf.  
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us  
through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
that we may abide in your love  
and serve only your will. Amen.

*Celebrant:*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*Celebrant:* The Peace of The Lord be always with you.  
*People:* **And also with you.**

*(The people greet one another in the name of the Lord.)*

## Announcements

**PRESENTATION HYMN** Awake my soul, stretch every nerve (546)

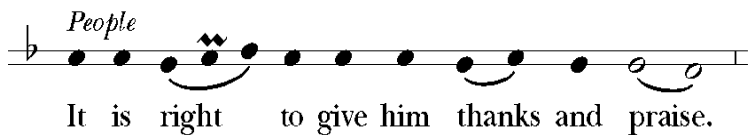
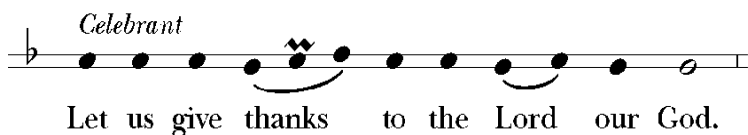
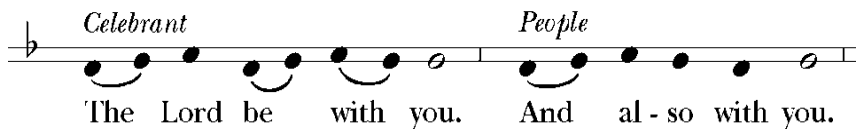
## DOXOLOGY (*sung* – H380 v. 3)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him all creatures here below,  
Praise Her above the heavenly host,  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EOW - Eucharistic Prayer 2

(*The people stand as able*)



### *Celebrant*

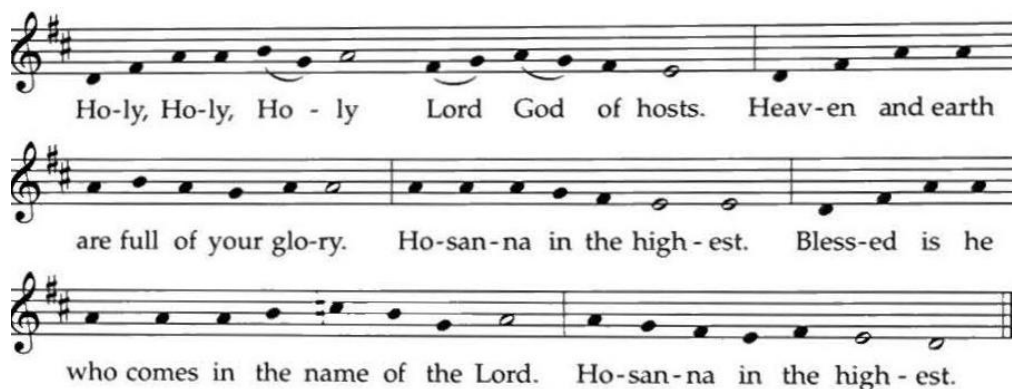
We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God,  
source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the  
creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things  
into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and  
every living thing.

You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways.  
But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a  
mother cares for her children, you would not forget us.

Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.  
And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of  
praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify  
you as we sing:

### **SANCTUS**

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### *The Celebrant continues*

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.  
To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the  
riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your  
willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the  
holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us.  
He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and  
proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the

world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you. On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with Mary the God bearer, Martin and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

***People:*           Amen.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Celebrant:*       And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us,  
                          we are bold to say,

*Celebrant and People*

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,**

on earth as it is in heaven.  
 Give us this day our daily bread  
 And forgive us our trespasses,  
 as we forgive those  
 who trespass against us.  
 And lead us not into temptation,  
 but deliver us from evil.  
 For thine is the kingdom,  
 and the power, and the glory,  
 for ever and ever. Amen.

## The Breaking of the Bread and the Communion of the Faithful

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People:* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

### FRACTION ANTHEM

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*etting is not used in Lent.*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
 Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
 there - fore let us keep the feast.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## INVITATION

*The Celebrant says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## DISTRIBUTION

*Instructions for distribution will be given at the announcements; please follow the Usher's prompts. Please hold your hands out to receive the bread. If you would prefer a blessing, indicate that by crossing your arms over your chest.*

***All are welcome!***

**COMMUNION HYMN    I want to walk as a child of the light  
(490)**

**POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER**                      *(stand or kneel)*

*Celebrant:*        Let us pray.

***People:*        Giver of life and love,  
                     we thank you  
                     that in this heavenly banquet  
                     you invigorate and renew us.  
                     Living in the unity of the Spirit,  
                     may we boldly use your gifts  
                     to continue your work in the world. Amen.**

### **The Birthday/Anniversary Prayer**

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray,  
on your servant N. as they begin another year. Grant that they  
may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in  
your goodness all the days of their life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**THE BLESSING**                      *(stand or kneel)*

*Celebrant*        ...and the blessing of God...

***People*        Amen.**



**FINAL HYMN** Go forth for God; go to the world in peace (347)

**THE DISMISSAL**

*Celebrant:* ... Alleluia! Alleluia!

***People:* Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**POSTLUDE**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please make sure to let Barb or Jim know that you are coming to the picnic. We want to make sure we have enough food for everyone. Please reserve by today, August 17.

# ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC

11:00am

**Saturday, August 30**



**Outdoor Eucharist  
followed by Food & Fun!**

**Rain or Shine!**



### ***Mark your Calendar***

August 19 ~ 6:30 pm ~ Vestry  
August 20 ~ 6:30 pm ~ Fire Pit Faith  
August 24 ~ 4:00 pm ~ Evening Prayer  
August 30 ~ 11:00 am ~ Annual Parish Picnic  
August 31 ~ 4:00 pm ~ Evening Prayer

September 7 ~ 4:00 pm ~ Holy Eucharist; Healing  
Corners

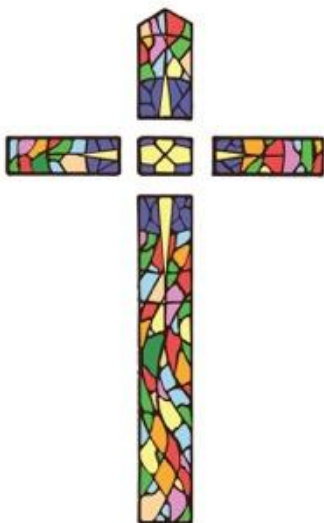
September 14 ~ 4:00 pm ~ Evening Prayer

September 16 ~ 6:30 pm ~ Vestry

September 21 ~ 4:00 pm ~ Holy Eucharist

5:30 pm ~ Q3 Townhall

September 28 ~ 4:00 pm ~ Evening Prayer



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**All are welcome  
and fed with the love of God  
pets too!**

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