

# **17th Sunday after Pentecost**

**Season of Creation**

**October 5, 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 worshipping community.*

## **PRELUDE**

## **PROCESSIONAL HYMN All things bright and beautiful (405)**

*The people remain standing for the Acclamation.*

*Celebrant*      Blessed be the One who creates all things.  
*People*          **The Holy One's love is new every [day].**

## **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.  
*People*          **Amen.**

## **THE GLORIA**

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*(next page)*

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 Creator be with you.

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

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

All-loving and everliving God, you are always more ready to give than we are to receive: Pour upon us your abundance of contentment with simple, faithful living; through Jesus Christ the Wisdom of Creation, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

**People**      **Amen.**

## THE LESSONS (*All sit*)

### The First Reading - Lamentations 1:1-6

<sup>1</sup>How lonely sits the city  
that once was full of people!  
How like a widow she has become,  
she that was great among the nations!  
She that was a princess among the provinces  
has become a vassal.

<sup>2</sup>She weeps bitterly in the night,  
with tears on her cheeks;  
among all her lovers  
she has no one to comfort her;  
all her friends have dealt treacherously with her,  
they have become her enemies.

<sup>3</sup>Judah has gone into exile with suffering  
and hard servitude;  
she lives now among the nations,  
and finds no resting place;  
her pursuers have all overtaken her  
in the midst of her distress.

<sup>4</sup>The roads to Zion mourn,  
for no one comes to the festivals;  
all her gates are desolate,  
her priests groan;  
her young girls grieve,  
and her lot is bitter.

<sup>5</sup>Her foes have become the masters,  
her enemies prosper,  
because the Lord has made her suffer  
for the multitude of her transgressions;  
her children have gone away,  
captives before the foe.

<sup>6</sup>From daughter Zion has departed  
all her majesty.  
Her princes have become like stags  
that find no pasture;  
they fled without strength  
before the pursuer.

<i>Reader</i>	Hear what the Spirit is saying to all God's Creation.
<b><i>People</i></b>	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>

## **Psalm Lamentations 3:19-26**

The thought of my affliction and my homelessness  
is wormwood and gall!

My soul continually thinks of it  
and is bowed down within me.

But this I call to mind,  
and therefore I have hope:

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases,  
his mercies never come to an end;

they are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.

"The LORD is my portion," says my soul,  
"therefore I will hope in him."

The LORD is good to those who wait for him,  
to the soul that seeks him.

It is good that one should wait quietly  
for the salvation of the LORD.

## **Second Reading – 2 Timothy 1:1-14**

<sup>1</sup>Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

<sup>2</sup>To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

<sup>3</sup>I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. <sup>4</sup>Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. <sup>5</sup>I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. <sup>6</sup>For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; <sup>7</sup>for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

<sup>8</sup>Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, <sup>9</sup>who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, <sup>10</sup>but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. <sup>11</sup>For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, <sup>12</sup>and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. <sup>13</sup>Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and

love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>14</sup>Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

*Reader*            Hear what the Spirit is saying to all God's Creation.  
*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

**SEQUENCE HYMN Amazing Grace (671)**  
**vs 1-3 before gospel; vs 4-5 after gospel**

*(All stand)*

**THE HOLY GOSPEL - Luke 17:5-10**

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

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

<sup>5</sup>The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" <sup>6</sup>The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

<sup>7</sup>"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? <sup>8</sup>Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? <sup>9</sup>Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? <sup>10</sup>So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

*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* ...let us pray to the Creator.

*People* **Creator, renew us.**

*The last petition as the prayers conclude is:*

*Leader* In the communion of all creatures, Creation, St. Martin and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

*People* **To thee, O Lord our God.**

*Silence*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and God's creation.

[*silence*]

*All* **God of compassion, have mercy on us.  
Heal our relationship with all creation.  
Forgive us for our mistreatment and neglect  
of the creatures who share the earth with us.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent  
for what we have done to harm them,  
and for what we have not done to help them.  
Fill us with your Spirit,  
that we may care for one another  
and for all creatures,  
according to your will and in the fullness of your love;  
through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. 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 God of heaven has made a home on earth.  
*All*                **Christ dwells among us and is one with us.**  
*Celebrant*      The peace of Christ be always with you.  
*People*           **And also with you.**

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

## Announcements

## PRESENTATION HYMN O God of every nation (607)

### 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

*Eucharistic Prayer C – expansive language dialogic*

*Celebrant*      May God be with you.  
*People*           **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*      Lift up your hearts.  
*People*           **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant*      Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People*           **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant*      God of all power, Source and Sustainer of the  
Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.  
*People*           **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

*Celebrant*      At your command all things came to be: shining  
light and enfolding dark; the vast expanse of  
interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in

their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

**People** **By your will they were created and have their being.**

*Celebrant* From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with the capacity for memory, reason, and skill. You made us the stewards of your creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

**People** **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

*Celebrant* Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your eternal Word, born of your servant Mary, to fulfill your Law, opening for us the way of freedom and peace.

**People** **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

*Celebrant* And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

# Holy, holy, holy Lord

# Sanctus

# S130

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

This system consists of a treble and bass staff in B-flat major (two flats). The treble staff has a key signature of two flats and a common time signature. The melody is composed of half notes and whole notes. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with half notes and whole notes. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

This system continues the melody from the first system. It features a treble and bass staff in B-flat major. The treble staff has a key signature of two flats and a common time signature. The melody is composed of half notes and whole notes. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with half notes and whole notes. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

This system continues the melody from the second system. It features a treble and bass staff in B-flat major. The treble staff has a key signature of two flats and a common time signature. The melody is composed of half notes and whole notes. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with half notes and whole notes. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

This system continues the melody from the third system. It features a treble and bass staff in B-flat major. The treble staff has a key signature of two flats and a common time signature. The melody is composed of half notes and whole notes. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with half notes and whole notes. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

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san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written for two staves, treble and bass, in a key of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is primarily in the treble staff, with the bass staff providing harmonic support. The lyrics are written below the treble staff. The score consists of four systems of music. The first system has two lines of lyrics. The second system has two lines of lyrics. The third system has two lines of lyrics. The fourth system has two lines of lyrics. The music ends with a double bar line.

*(The people stand or kneel)*

*Celebrant*      Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending Jesus, the Christ, who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body,

which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

***People***

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,  
**We celebrate Christ’s death and resurrection as we await the day of his coming.**

***Celebrant***

Therefore, O God, we who have been redeemed by Jesus Christ, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Sanctify us also, and let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

***People***

**Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

***Celebrant***

God of our ancestors; Redeemer and Mother of Israel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this table for solace only and not for strength; for pardon only and not for renewal.

Accept these prayers and praises, Almighty God, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **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*      Creator God, you fed us from the beginning.  
*People*          Happy are all, called to the Supper of Creation.

*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** Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart  
(488)

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*(stand or kneel)*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*People* **Faithful God**

**in the wonder of your wisdom and love  
you fed your people in the wilderness  
with the bread of angels,  
and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life.  
We thank you for feeding us with this bread.  
May it strengthen us  
that by the power of the Holy Spirit  
we may embody your desire  
and be renewed for your service  
through Jesus Christ our Savior. 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 Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim  
(535) vs 1,3,4**

## THE DISMISSAL

*Celebrant* Let us bless our God and all Creation.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

## POSTLUDE

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



*Thank you to Jack Short for providing music for our worship today.*

## Today is National Be Nice Day

**Find a way to be nice to someone, a special person you love or someone you don't know. Show some kindness for someone else.**



# Today is World Communion Sunday

**Thanks so much for joining us.**



## Fall Craft Fair ~ Volunteers Needed

As the weather is cooling and thoughts turn to Fall, I wanted to get the word out early about volunteering for the craft show on October 11th. We will need coverage for the raffle table from 10 am to 4 pm, 1 to 2 floaters for any crafter issues, and a general for the day. Sign-up sheets will be up starting Sunday. Currently we have 4 indoor tables left and up to 4 outdoor canopy spaces available.

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# Craft Show



#### WHAT YOU'LL FIND:

- Epoxy Stoner Resin Stained Glass
- DOTERRA Essential Oils
- Handmade Jewelry including bead and wire wrapped
- Avon
- A Spatter of Sparkle
- Popcorn Bingo and so much more.

#### WHY YOU SHOULD COME:

- Support St. Martin's in getting new air conditioners.
- Quality Items: Many Hand Crafted items available
- Friendly Atmosphere: Chat with neighbors and find treasures.

#### EXTRAS:

- Amazing Snack Bar and Eating Area
- Raffle Items from Each Vendor
- Free Raffle for just looking at all the vendors including a promo box from First Watch DP

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## Designer Bag Bingo

An afternoon of fun and friendship

Saturday, October 25

Doors open at noon, program 1 pm to 4 pm

B I N G O				
3	29	45	56	68
1	19	43	50	72
11	25	FREE SPACE	49	61
9	23	31	58	63
4	27	42	54	71

- \*Play bingo to win fabulous designer handbags!
- \*Spend a fall afternoon with friends
- \*Door prizes
- \*Enticing Silent Auction Items
- \*Snacks and beverages will be provided  
(chili, hot dogs, Vegetarian option and corn bread)

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## NEW RECYCLING OPPORTUNITY

**The Lions club** is collecting used eye glasses, hearing aids, cell phones and ink cartridges. Look for the box in Strauss-Betker Hall.



## ***Mark your Calendar***

**October 11 ~ 12:00 pm ~ Fall Craft Fair**

October 12 ~ 4:00 pm ~ Evening Prayer

October 19 ~ 4:00 pm ~ Evening Prayer

**October 25 ~ 12:00 pm ~ Designer Bag Bingo**

October 26 ~ 4:00 pm ~ Holy Eucharist

October 28 ~ 6:30 pm ~ Vestry

**November 2 ~ 4:00 pm ~ All Saints Day Festive Eucharist  
& Healing Corners**

November 9 ~ 4:00 pm ~ Evening Prayer

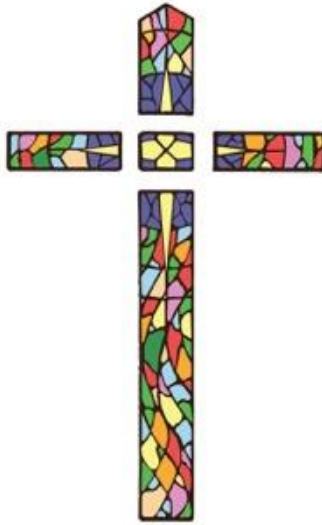
**November 16 ~ 4:00 pm ~ St. Martin's Day Eucharist**

November 18 ~ Hybrid Diocesan Convention (Zoom)

November 22 ~ Hybrid Diocesan Convention (In Person)

November 23 ~ 4:00 pm ~ Evening Prayer

November 30 ~ 4:00 pm ~ Advent 1 ~ Holy Eucharist



## **St. Martin's Episcopal Church**

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

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