

St. Martin-in-the-Fields Episcopal Church Keller, Texas

Service of the Word

The Sixth Sunday After Pentecost July 12, 2020

Welcome! If you are new to St. Martin's please drop us a line to let us know a little more about you and your household so we can find ways to include you in our life together. We hope this service of worship will be a source of strength and inspiration for your spiritual journey.

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Prelude Adagio Mozart (1756-1791)

Opening Acclamation

Page 355, Book of Common Prayer

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

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.**

Gloria in Excelsis

Page 356, Book of Common Prayer

Celebrant and People

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day

Page 230, Book of Common Prayer

Celebrant The Lord be with you. **People And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Reading From the Book of Genesis

Genesis 25:19-24

These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, sister of Laban the Aramean. Isaac prayed to the Lord for his wife, because she was barren; and the Lord granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. The children struggled together within her; and she said, "If it is to be this way, why do I live?" So she went to inquire of the Lord. And the Lord said to her,

"Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples born of you shall be divided; the one shall be stronger than the other, the elder shall serve the younger."

When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. Afterward his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them.

When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob.

Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. Esau said to Jacob, "Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!" (Therefore he was called Edom.) Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright." Esau said, "I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?" Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave

Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

The Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 119:105-112 Page 772, Book of Common Prayer Lucerna pedibus meis

- 105 Your word is a lantern to my feet * and a light upon my path.
- 106 I have sworn and am determined * to keep your righteous judgments.
- 107 I am deeply troubled; * preserve my life, O Lord, according to your word.
- 108 Accept, O Lord, the willing tribute of my lips, * and teach me your judgments.
- 109 My life is always in my hand, * yet I do not forget your law.
- 110 The wicked have set a trap for me, * but I have not strayed from your commandments.
- 111 Your decrees are my inheritance for ever; * truly, they are the joy of my heart.
- 112 I have applied my heart to fulfill your statutes * for ever and to the end.

A Reading From The Letter to the Romans

Romans 8:1-11

There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Before the Gospel

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, O Christ.

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!"

"Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

After the Gospel

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

The Sermon

The Reverend Ayo Omoniyi Deacon

A period of silent reflection follows the Sermon

The Nicene Creed

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Celebrant and People

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.

Prayer for the Rector Search

Intercessor and People

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on St. Martin's, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the People Form IV

Page 388, Book of Common Prayer

Intercessor

Let us pray for the Church and for the world saying, God in your goodness, Hear our prayer.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray especially for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Scott, Rayford, and Sam our Bishops; Ron, Ayo, Paula, Judy, Frank, and Diana, our clergy; Joe our Organist/Choirmaster; Liza our Children's Minister, Haleigh our Youth Minister, Jim our Assistant Music Director.

In our Anglican Cycle of prayer we pray for the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea.

In our <u>Diocesan Cycle of Prayer</u> we pray for Holy Apostles, San Juan Apostol and San Miguel in Fort Worth.

Silence

God, in your goodness

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

God, in your goodness

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

God, in your goodness

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

We pray for those celebrating birthdays and wedding anniversaries this week: Jim, Kris, Abigail, Paula, Rhonda, Scott, Jordan, Kendall, Mark, Charlotte, Joe & Nicole, Jeanne & Rupert, Chuck & Lauri, Keen & Rebecca, Jan & Shawn

We pray for those who are traveling:

We pray for those with employment concerns: Rick, Jeff, Janet, Rebecca, Mark, Aaron, Leslie, Sarah, Collin, Chris, Jenny and all those who are out of work at this time.

We pray for those in the military: Ethan, Devin, Jonathan, Colin, Rachel, Mark, Jeremy, Patrick, Rich, Meagan, Stephen, Sheena, James, Edward, Brandon, Scott, Jim, Paul, Dylan, Dustin, Jason, John, Deion, Tanner, Benjamin, Timian, Will, John, James, Chris, Kip, Steve, Alex, Christopher and all soldiers and civilians in harm's way.

Silence

God, in your goodness

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

We pray for those on the parish prayer list for healing or support: Shawn, Mary Jane, Helen, Jenny, Molly, Ruthie, Fred, Margaret, Mary, Don, Ben, Ann, Suzette, Ernie, Bill, Alan, Laura, Kathy, Shirley, Nick, Tilly, Eva, Judy, Scott, JR, Paula, Claudia, Mariann, Irene, Maureen, Jack, Ellie, Vincent, Nicole, Wayne, Jenny, Brad, John, Penny, Brant, Jill and for all their family members and caregivers.

We pray for all whose lives are affected by the Coronavirus Pandemic, for healthcare personnel, for public health officials, for first responders, and for scientists seeking solutions.

Silence

God, in your goodness

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, [especially Aaron, Craig] that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

God, in your goodness **Hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

All

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Absolution

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

Offertory

Please take a few moments to offer yourself - your time, your talents, your gifts, and your service to God with a prayer that your offering may be pleasing in God's sight, spread God's love, and make a difference in God's world. You may text 817-270-6880 with an amount + GENERAL or PLEDGE to give or you may scan this image to give online, or click here.



Offertory Hymn 660

Thy Word

THY WORD

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path

When I feel afraid
Think I've lost my way
Still you're there right beside me
And nothing will I fear
As long as you are near
Please be near me to the end

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path

I will not forget
Your love for me and yet
My heart forever is wandering
Jesus be my guide
And hold me to your side
I will love you to the end
Nothing will I fear as long as you are near
Please be near me to the end

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path And a light unto my path You're the light unto my path

Words & Music: Michael Smith/Amy Grant

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant

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

All

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.

General Thanksgiving

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Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Blessing

Dismissal

Postlude

Deacon Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

Leaders in Today's Liturgy

The Very Reverend Ronald D. Pogue *Interim Rector*

Now Thank We All Our God

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

The Reverend Ayo Omoniyi

*Preacher**

The Reverend Paula Jefferson Deacon

Evie Larimore *Lector*

Dr. Joseph Henry *Organist/Choirmaster*

Deneice Wood Worship Leader

Chuck Ambrose Video Producer

Remember to join our Virtual Coffee Hour every Sunday at 11:30 a.m.

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