



August 27, 2023

10:00 AM

13th Sunday after Pentecost

Love Your Neighbour BBQ

Greeters/Sidespersons: David B. and Anne D.

It is a great privilege to gather, share stories of faith and worship God on this beautiful territory, which we now know as Pickering, but which has been the site of human activity – and therefore storytelling and worship – for many thousands of years. We wish to honour the ancestral guardians of this land and its waterways: the Wendat, the Anishinabek Nation, the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, the Mississaugas of Scugog, Hiawatha and Alderville First Nations. The treaties that were signed for this particular parcel of land are collectively referred to as the Williams Treaties of 1923. Today many Indigenous peoples, including the Métis Nation, continue to call this land home and act as its stewards, and this responsibility extends to all peoples, to share and care for this land for generations to come.

Celebrant: The Rev. Shelly Pollard

Prelude: Praeludium by J.S. Bach

Sentence: Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Matthew 16:16

Opening Hymn 384 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord,
the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him,
for he is thy health and salvation:
all ye who hear,
brothers and sisters draw near,
Praise him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord,
who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under his wings,
yea, so gently sustaineth:

hast thou not seen
how thy entreaties have been
granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord,
who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
surely his goodness and mercy
here daily attend thee:
ponder anew
what the Almighty can do,
if with his love he befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord,
who, when tempests their warfare are waging,
who, when the elements madly
around thee are raging,
biddeth them cease,
turneth their fury to peace,
whirlwinds and waters assuaging.

Praise to the Lord,
who when darkness of sin is abounding,
who when the godless do triumph,
all virtue confounding,
sheddeth his light,
chaseth the horrors of night,
saints with his mercy surrounding.

Praise to the Lord!
O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath
come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen
sound from his people again:
Gladly for aye we adore him.

CP 384 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty.

Text: Joachim Neader (1650-1680); tr Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt.

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THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Almighty God,

**All: to you all hearts are open,
All desires known,
And from you no secrets are hidden.
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.**

Kyrie Eleison

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy.

The Collect

Celebrant: Almighty God,
we are taught by your word
that all our doings without love are worth nothing.
Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts
that most excellent gift of love,
the true bond of peace and of all virtue;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading Exodus 1:8-2:10

Reader: William M.

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF EXODUS

Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, "Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land." Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labour. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labour. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them. The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, "When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live." But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, "Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?" The midwives said to Pharaoh, "Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them." So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, "Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live." Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him. The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him, "This must be one of the Hebrews' children," she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to

nurse the child for you?" Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Yes." So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages." So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, "because," she said, "I drew him out of the water."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 124

Celebrant: If the Lord had not been on our side, let Israel now say;

All: If the Lord had not been on our side, when enemies rose up against us;

Celebrant: Then would they have swallowed us up alive in their fierce anger toward us;

All: Then would the waters have overwhelmed us and the torrent gone over us;

Celebrant: Then would the raging waters have gone right over us.

All: Blessed be the Lord! he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.

Celebrant: We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; the snare is broken, and we have escaped.

All: Our help is in the name of the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.

Second Reading Romans 12: 1-8

Reader: Sharon J.

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE ROMANS

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God - what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the

same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading Matthew 16:13-20

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Celebrant: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

The Rev. Shelly Pollard

Moment of Silent Reflection

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Celebrant: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

All: **I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Intercessor: Don H.

Confession & Absolution

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
he welcomes sinners
and invites us to his table.
Let us confess our sins,
confident in God's forgiveness.

Moment of Silence

Celebrant: Most merciful God,
**All: 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 neighbours 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.**

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from
all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and
keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
All: Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All: And also with you.

Offertory Hymn 300 Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the head and cornerstone,
chosen of the Lord, and precious,
binding all the church in one,
holy Zion's help for ever,
and her confidence alone.

All that dedicated city,
dearly loved of God on high,
in exultant jubilation
pours perpetual melody,
God the One-in-Three adoring
in glad hymns eternally.

To this temple, where we call thee,
come, O Lord of hosts, today;
with thy wonted loving-kindness,
hear thy servants as they pray;
and thy fullest benediction
shed within its walls always.

Here vouchsafe to all thy servants
what they ask of thee to gain,
what they gain from thee forever
with the blessed to retain,
and hereafter in thy glory
evermore with thee to reign.

Laud and honour to the Father,
and honour to the Son,
laud and honour to the Spirit,
ever three, and ever one,
one in might and one in glory,
while unending ages run.

CP 300 Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Text: Latin (*Angularis fundamentum*, 7th cent.); tr, John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.

Music: Henry Purcell (1659-1695), *O God thou art my God*; adapt. The Psalmist, 1842; desc. Barry Rose (1934-) ©.

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Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant: God of glory,
receive all we offer this day as a symbol of our love,
and increase in us that true and perfect gift.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord..

All: Amen.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Lutheran Eucharistic Prayer

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

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

Celebrant: Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath.

All: We praise you, O God.

Celebrant: Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.

All: We bless you, O God.

Celebrant: We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.

All: We thank you, O God.

Celebrant: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith.

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world.
blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end.

All: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now, as our Saviour 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,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Moment of Silence

Breaking of the Bread

BAS 2

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All: We, being many, are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.**

THE COMMUNION

Agnus Dei

**All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace**

CP 745 Lamb of God.

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Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion (*for those who choose not to receive Communion, or are following the service online*)

Celebrant: Those wishing to do so may make their spiritual communion by joining in this prayer with me now:

All: My Jesus, I believe that you are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you, and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Communion Hymn 615 Just As I Am

Just as I am, without one plea,
but that thy blood was shed for me,
and that thou biddest me come to thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am poor, wretched, blind;
sight, riches, healing of the mind,
yea, all I need in thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, and waiting not
to rid my soul of one dark blot,
to thee whose blood can cleanse each spot,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am - thy love unknown
has broken every barrier down-
now to be thine, yea, thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

CP 615 Just as I Am

Text: Charlotte Elliott (1789-1871)

Music: William Batchelder Bradbury (1816-1868). CCLI Licence #11469691

Prayer after Communion

Please stand as you are able

Celebrant: Living God,
increase in us the healing power of your love.
Guide and direct us
that we may please you in all things,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Doxology & Blessing

Celebrant: Glory to God,

**All: whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more
than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus,
For ever and ever. Amen.**

Celebrant: The peace of God which passes all understanding
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge
and love of God and of his Son,
Jesus Christ the Lord.
And the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
remain with you and the ones you love
now and forevermore.

All: Amen.

Announcements

Closing Hymn 527 How Firm a Foundation *Alt Tune CP 393 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise.*

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in his excellent word!
What more can he say than to you he hath said,
to you who to Jesus for refuge have fled?

“Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed!
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid;
I’ll strengthen thee, help thee,
and cause thee to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;
for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
my grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply:
the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose
I will not--I will not desert to its foes;
that soul, though all hell should endeavour to shake,
I’ll never--no, never--no, never forsake!”

CP 527 How Firm a Foundation.

Text: John Rippon (1751-1836); called “K” in A Selection of Hymns 1787.

Music: Alt Tune CP 393 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise.

Melody Welsh trad., adpt. John Roberts of Henllan(1808-1876)

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Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: Voluntary on "Lauda Anima" by Robert Lind

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Thank you to our Guest Organist Alexandra Weiss.

Announcements

**New Announcement*

Update from Paddy McLoon - Thanks to your generous offerings from January to the end of June, St. Martin's will be donating \$500 to Durham Youth Services. This gift includes proceeds of the Loon Bank along with a top up of Outreach funds.

From July 1 to December 31, 2023, Paddy McLoon will be happy to continue to take your spare change with proceeds going to St. Paul's on-the-Hill Food Bank. Your donations will go a long way to help provide fresh grocery items, including milk and other nutritious items.

September, 23, 2023, 6:00 PM to 1:00 AM – Caribbean Cultural Event - St. Martin's is partnering with St. Paul's on-the-Hill Anglican Church to bring a taste of the Caribbean to Pickering on SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23rd, 2023, with a Caribbean Cultural Event at the Chestnut Hill Developments Recreation Complex.

Come and enjoy a delicious Caribbean dinner, Steel Pan by Winston " Pappy" Fredrick, Soca/Calypso/Reggae Artiste YELLOWS, DJ'd Dance with Marcus Ouja from Hype Zone, Silent Auction, Door Prizes, Cash Bar.

TICKETS: \$70/pp

Get a tax deductible receipt for \$35!!

Discount pricing for tables of 8.

For tickets contact Lee, Denise, Debbie or Moyah or the church office at 905-839-4257 or email: office@stmartinsanglican.ca

****We will accept cash or e-transfer for tickets and for the Silent Auction.****

In aid of Outreach Programs at both churches.

July 5, 2023 to August 30, 2023 – Summer Schedule – During the month of July and August we will not be having a mid-week service as we will be on a summer schedule. The BCP mid-week service will resume on September 6, 2023.

September 17, 2023 – Sunday School - We look forward to Sunday School during the 10:00 AM Service. All are welcome!

Summer Lug-a-Mug - The St. Martin's Stewards of Creation encourage everyone to continue to Lug their Mug throughout the summer for Lemonade on the Lawn to help reduce the use of plastic cups. Please continue to add your name on the slips of paper provided and put it in the draw box when you lug your mug. The next draw will be in September.

Donations for St. Paul on-the-Hill Community Food Bank - The Outreach Committee is asking for your help in filling the red wagon with your donations for the food bank. An Outreach volunteer will take the donations to St. Paul on-the-Hill.

Grocery gift cards are always greatly appreciated. For a comprehensive list, please visit this link to [St. Paul's-on-the-Hill Food Bank](#).

November 18, 2023 - Holly Bazaar – Save the Date & Looking Ahead!

Holly Bazaar Donation Items - We know it's summer, but St. Martin's elves are already starting to make plans for the upcoming Holly Bazaar which will take place on Saturday, November 18 from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM. The Bazaar will feature a Granny's Attic again this year. We would like to ask that those who are decluttering, downsizing, and simplifying your possessions to please think about donating to this successful feature of the Bazaar. Most items are acceptable but please **no clothing, books, or videotapes**. We would like to start accepting items in September, so if it is possible for you to hold on to your items until then, it would be greatly appreciated - details on donation drop off will be announced.

Bottle Boutique-Please also consider picking up non- perishable items for the Bottle Boutique over the summer. This popular game is a great money maker. It always has a lineup and runs out of items very quickly each year, well before the end of the bazaar.

We would like to concentrate on non-wine items during the summer like condiments: ketchup, mustard, vinegar, relish, BBQ sauce, oils, etc. (Please check best before dates to make sure the item will be good well into 2024). Items like liquid hand soap, dish soap, carbonated drinks, flavoured water, nail polish remover, shave cream, etc., are also good choices. In the fall we will make an appeal for higher valued items like wine.

A box will be left by the Food Bank wagon to collect your donations over the summer.

Thank you for your help in making our 2023 Holly Bazaar a success!

St. Martin's Anglican Church
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