



# St. Martin's Anglican Church

April 14, 2024

10:00 AM

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

Welcome Team: Marilyn D & David Be

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. Don Shields

Guest Organist: Alexandra Weiss

**Prelude:** This Is My Father's World

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**Sentence:** Lord Jesus, open to us the scriptures; make our hearts burn within us while you speak. *Luke 24:32*

**Opening Hymn: 204 Truly He Comes to Us**

Truly, he comes to us: darkness is ended;  
now night is over, his light is ascended:  
ultimate sunrise, that floods all creation,  
bringing his secret from death's desolation.

Night has made way for the great proclamation,  
morning has broken, with songs of elation.  
Christ comes in light from the depths of his prison,  
death is abandoned, and Jesus is risen.

Stripped of the grave-clothes, the body now glorious  
rises immortal, for ever victorious;  
comes to fulfil all the prophets have spoken;  
promise of life that will never be broken.

Weeping is over, and death is defeated;  
life is recovered and joy is completed.  
Guards, at the sepulchre, scatter before him;  
Jesus is risen and angels adore him.

Highest, Most Holy, once lost and forsaken:  
now, from the sleep of the dead you awaken;  
angels appear at the tomb with the story:  
"He is not here, but is risen in glory."

Give God the glory and glad adoration,  
from whom and through whom and in whom, creation  
looks for the joy which, in Christ, we inherit:  
praising the Father, the Son and the Spirit!

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### **THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**All: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Celebrant: May his grace and peace be with you.

**All: May he fill our hearts with joy.**

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.**

## Glory to God: 365 Glory to God on High

Glory to God on High  
and peace to all on earth.  
We worship you, we give you thanks,  
our heavenly King.  
We give you praise,  
almighty God and Father blessed in glory bright.

Our Saviour, Jesus Christ,  
the Father's only Son,  
the sacrificial Lamb,  
who saves the world from sin,  
have mercy Lord.  
Beside the Father's hand enthroned,  
now hear our prayer.

You only are the Lord.  
You only are most high.  
You only are the holy one,  
Lord Jesus Christ.  
And now you reign  
with Father and with Spirit one  
in glorious light.

*CP 365 Glory to God on High.*

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## The Collect

**Celebrant:** O God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**All:** **AMEN**

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

**First Reading Acts 3:12-19**

Reader: Tami M

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made this man walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 4**

Celebrant: Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; you set me free when I am hard-pressed; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

**All: "You mortals, how long will you dishonour my glory; how long will you worship dumb idols and run after false gods?"**

Celebrant: Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful; when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.

**All: Tremble, then, and do not sin; speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.**

Celebrant: Offer the appointed sacrifices and put your trust in the Lord.

**All: Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!" Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord.**

Celebrant: You have put gladness in my heart, more than when grain and wine and oil increase.

**All: I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.**

Faithful defender, do not let our hearts be troubled, but fill us with such confidence and joy that we may sleep in peace and rise in your light; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

**All: Amen.**

**Second Reading 1 John 3:1-7**

Reader: Shirley V

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF JOHN

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. Everyone who commits sins is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel**

*Please stand as you are able for the Gospel*

**Gospel Acclamation: Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!**

*Sing A New Creation*

Halle, halle, halle - lujah!

Halle, halle, halle - lujah!

Halle, halle, halle - lujah!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

*Sing A New Creation 192*

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## **Gospel Reading Luke 24:36B-48**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

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

**All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you - that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

Celebrant: The Gospel of Christ.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Gospel Acclamation: Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!**

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**Homily**

The Rev Don Shields

**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: Moyah M

### **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: 360 O for A Thousand Tongues to Sing**

O for a thousand tongues to sing  
my dear Redeemer's praise,  
the glories of my God and King,  
the triumphs of his grace.

Jesus! the name that charms our fears,  
and bids our sorrows cease;  
'tis music in the sinner's ears,  
'tis life, and health, and peace.

He speaks; and, listening to his voice,  
new life the dead receive;  
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice,  
the humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf, ye voiceless ones,  
your loosened tongues employ;  
ye blind, behold your Saviour come,  
and leap, ye lame, for joy!

My gracious Master and my God,  
assist me to proclaim,  
to spread through all the earth abroad  
the honours of thy name.

CP 306- O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing. Text: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt.

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### **Prayer over the Gifts**

Celebrant: Creator of all, you wash away our sins in water, you give us new birth by the Spirit, and redeem us in the blood of Christ. As we celebrate the resurrection, renew your gift of life within us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.

**All: Amen.**



## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

### Eucharistic Prayer 2

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.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer. He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things. By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering, to bring release to those who place their hope in you; and so he won for you a holy people.

He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows, and to give up his life on the cross, that he might shatter the chains of evil and death, and banish the darkness of sin and despair. By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.

Now with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

### Sanctus

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.**

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Celebrant: Holy and gracious God, accept our praise, through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread and gave you thanks, saying, "Take, and eat: this is my body which is broken for you." In the same way he took the cup, saying, "This is my blood which is shed for you. When you do this, you do it in memory of me."

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we offer you this bread and this cup, giving thanks that you have made us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you. We ask you to send your Holy Spirit upon the offering of your holy Church.

Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries, filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth, that together we may praise you and give you glory through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.

**All: Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught us, let pray and sing,

**All: Our Father in heaven hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom and the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen, amen, amen.**

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### *Moment of Silence*

### **Breaking of Bread**

*8-Easter Season*

Celebrant: Lord, we died with you on the cross.

**All: Now we are raised to new life.**

Celebrant: We were buried in your tomb.

**All: Now we share in your resurrection.**

Celebrant: Live in us, that we may live in you.

## 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: 222 All Shall Be Well**

All shall be well!  
For on our Easter skies  
see Christ the sun  
of righteousness arise.

All shall be well!  
The sacrifice is made,  
the sinner freed,  
the price of pardon paid.

All shall be well!  
The cross and passion past,  
dark night is done,  
bright morning come at last.

All shall be well!  
Lift every voice on high;  
"Death has no more dominion,  
But shall die."

Jesus alive!  
Rejoice and sing again;  
"All shall be well  
forevermore, Amen!"

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### **Prayer after Communion**

Celebrant: Author of life divine, in the breaking of bread we know the risen Lord. Feed us always in these mysteries, that we may show your glory to all the world. We ask this in the name 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: 312 Sing a New Song Unto the Lord

Sing a new song unto the Lord;  
let your song be sung from mountains high.  
Sing a new song unto the Lord, singing alleluia.

Yahweh's people dance for joy.  
O come before the Lord.  
And play for him on glad tambourines,  
and let your trumpet sound.

Sing a new song unto the Lord;  
let your song be sung from mountains high.  
Sing a new song unto the Lord, singing alleluia.

Rise, O children, from your sleep;  
your Savior now has come.  
He has turned your sorrow to joy,  
and filled your soul with song.

Sing a new song unto the Lord;  
let your song be sung from mountains high.  
Sing a new song unto the Lord, singing alleluia.

Glad my soul for I have seen  
the glory of the Lord.  
The trumpet sounds; the dead shall be raised.  
I know my Savior lives.

Sing a new song unto the Lord;  
let your song be sung from mountains high.  
Sing a new song unto the Lord, singing alleluia.

*CP 312-Sing a New Song Unto the Lord.*  
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## Dismissal

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

All: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Postlude: Take My Life and Let It Be

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## Announcements

*\*New Announcement*

**April 11 to April 18, 2024 Rev Shelly will be on her winter break.** – While Rev Shelly is away, Rev Richard Newland, our Honorary Assistant will be available for pastoral emergencies. Please contact Rev Richard through the church office; [office@stmartinsanglican.ca](mailto:office@stmartinsanglican.ca) or 905 839 4257. Emails and phone messages will be monitored daily. Our answering machine will also have details on how to reach Rev Richard. For emergencies only you can reach Rev Richard directly at 905 706 2821.

Friendly reminder, Rev Shelly's day off is every Friday.

**April 22 to 26, 2024** – Sharon will be away. Please contact Rev Shelly or the wardens if you require anything during this time. All announcements for this period need to be in the office by end of day on April 16, 2024.

**April 30, 2024 – McEachnie Funeral Home Presentation** at 7:00 PM in person. There is no obligation we simply wish to share some information that is not be widely known. Light refreshments will be served.

**May 26, 2024 – Parish Workshop – Save The Date** - Please join us after the 10:00 AM service for a fun and interactive workshop on what you love about St. Martin's as we expand our ministry. This workshop will be facilitated the Diocesan Congregational Development Team. **All are welcome** and a Light lunch will be provided. Rev Shelly encourages everyone to attend.

**\*Sunday School – April 14, 2024** - We look forward to Sunday School during the 10:00 AM Service. All are welcome!

**\*Mid-Week Service – April 17, 2024 @ 10:30 AM**- All are welcome to join us for a BCP Communion Service and refreshments which follow.

**The Stewardship Committee**- A St. Martin's reminder of the upcoming Stewardship presentations set for April 7, 2024 following the 10:00 AM service, Tuesday April 9, 2024 at 7:30 PM, and Thursday April 11, 2024 at 7:30 PM. Please attend as best you can in accordance with your personal invitation. If you can not attend on your invited date, or did not receive an invitation, you are very welcome to attend any one of the three dates above. If none of those are convenient, there will be a final presentation on Tuesday April 23, 2024 at 7:30 PM. We encourage everyone to attend what we feel is an important message.

**Doodle Poll** – Worship Team members will be receiving an email from the office with a link from doodle.com. Please open the link and select from the list the dates you are available for the Sunday worship schedule by following the instructions. If you have any issues, please contact the church office.

**Weekly Eblast** – The weekly Eblast will now be distributed on Thursdays. Please contact the church office if you do not receive the weekly Eblast.

**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](#).

**Week @ a Glance** *SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE*

**April 11, 2024**

11:30 AM Choir Practice; in person  
1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Plus; in person  
7:30 PM Stewardship Presentation; in Person

**April 13, 2024**

5:30 PM AA Meeting; in person lower level

**April 14, 2024 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

10:00 AM Service; in person & live streamed  
10:00 AM Sunday School

**April 15, 2024**

1:00 PM Helping Hands

**April 16, 2024**

5:30 PM AA Meeting; in person lower level

**April 17, 2024**

10:30 AM Mid-week Service (BCP); in person  
6:00 PM Scouts

**April 18, 2024**

11:30 AM Choir Practice; in person

**St. Martin's Anglican Church  
The Rev. Shelly Pollard (she/her), Incumbent**

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