



# St. Martin's Anglican Church

May 5, 2024

10:00 AM

6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

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Welcome Team: Art S 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:** Open My Heart

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**Sentence:** If you love me, you will keep my word, and my Father will love you, and we will come to you. *See John 14.23*

**Opening Hymn: 374 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus**

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!  
His the sceptre, his the throne;  
alleluia! his the triumph,  
his the victory alone.  
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood;  
Jesus, out of every nation,  
hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia! Not as orphans  
are we left in sorrow now;  
alleluia! he is near us,  
faith believes, nor questions how.  
Though the cloud from sight received him,  
when the forty days were o'er,  
shall our hearts forget his promise,  
"I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia! Bread of Heaven,  
thou on earth our food, our stay:  
alleluia! here the sinful  
flee to thee from day to day;  
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,  
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,  
where the songs of all the sinless  
sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal,  
thee the Lord of lords we own:  
Alleluia! born of Mary,  
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne.  
Thou within the veil hast entered,  
robed in flesh, our great high priest:  
thou on earth both priest and victim  
in the eucharistic feast.

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!  
His the sceptre, his the throne;  
alleluia! his the triumph,  
his the victory alone.  
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood;  
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*CP 374-Alleluia! Sing to Jesus.*

*Text: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898)*

*Music: Rowland Huw Prichard (1811-1887)*

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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.*

*Text: Glory to God (Gloris in excelsis, Greek hymn, 200?); para. Paul Gibson (1932-) ©.*

*Music: John Darwall (1731-1789).*

## The Collect

Celebrant: Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you riches beyond imagination. Pour into our hearts such love toward you, that we, loving you above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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 10:44-48**

Reader: Enid B

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 98

Celebrant: Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvellous things.

**All: With his right hand and his holy arm has he won for himself the victory.**

Celebrant: The Lord has made known his victory; his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

**All: He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.**

Celebrant: Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

**All:** Sing to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.

Celebrant: With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before the King, the Lord.

**All:** Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, the lands and those who dwell therein.

**Celebrant:** Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, when he comes to judge the earth.

**All:** In righteousness shall he judge the world and the peoples with equity.

Celebrant: Lord God, we see your righteous rule in all your works, and we join our voices with the song of your whole creation in praising you, in and through Jesus Christ our Saviour

**All:** Amen.

**Second Reading 1 John 5:1-6**

Reader: Alan M

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF JOHN

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

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 John 15:9-17**

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you.

**All:** **And also with you.**

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

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

Jesus said, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

**Celebrant:** The Gospel of Christ.

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

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

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**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: 645 Come Down, O Love Divine**

Come down, O Love divine;  
seek thou this soul of mine,  
and visit it with thine own ardour glowing;  
O Comforter, draw near,  
within my heart appear,  
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn,  
till earthly passions turn  
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;  
and let thy glorious light  
shine ever on my sight,  
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

Let holy charity  
mine outward vesture be  
and lowliness become mine inner clothing –  
true lowliness of heart,  
which takes the humbler part,  
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong,  
with which the soul will long,  
shall far outpass the power of human telling;  
for non can guess its grace  
till they become the place  
wherein the Holy Spirit finds a dwelling.

CP 645 Come Down, O Love Divine.

Text: Bianco da Siena (1350?-1434?); tr. Richard Fredrick Littledale (1833-1890), alt.

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## **Prayer over the Gifts**

Celebrant: God of glory, accept all we offer you this day, and bring us to that eternal city of love and light, where Christ is King. We ask this in his name.

**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.*

*Music: Becket Gerald Senchur (1946- ). ©1992 G.I.A. Publications, Inc.  
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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: 569 Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life:  
such a way as gives us breath,  
such a truth as ends all strife,  
such a life as killeth death.

Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength;  
such a light as shows a feast,  
such a feast as mends in length,  
such a strength as makes his guest.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:  
such a joy as none can move,  
such a love as none can part,  
such a heart as joys in love.

*CP-569 Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life. Text: George Herbert (1593-1633).  
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## Choir Anthem: I Give You A New Commandment

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## Prayer after Communion

Celebrant: Father, you restored us to life by raising your Son from death. May we who receive this sacrament always be strengthened to do your will, in the name of Jesus Christ the risen 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**

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: Melody Genuine Church Music, 1832; harm. Tabor, 1867.*

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## Dismissal

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

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

Postlude: Amazing Grace

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*\*New Announcement*

**\*Sunday School – May 5, 2024** - We look forward to Sunday School during the 10:00 AM Service. All are welcome!

**\*Mid-Week Service – May 8, 2024 @ 10:30 AM**- All are welcome to join us for a BCP Communion Service and refreshments which follow.

**May 25, 2024 – Save the Date - Multi-Location Garage Sale 8 AM – 12 PM** -The Fundraising Committee is organizing a multi-location garage sale taking place on Saturday, May 25 from 8am – 12 pm. Two locations will be in Pickering and one will be in Ajax. This event is in support of the important work that we all do at St. Martin's. There will be a flyer ready in the next couple of weeks to distribute to your friends and family. It will also be posted on the bulletin board and will include more details including the locations of the garage sales. We need your help with donations of gently used items including clothing, small furniture and books to sell. We are also looking for baked goods and volunteers to help before, during and after the event. We will be asking you to drop your donations off to the garage sale locations directly so please talk to one of our team members, Debbie C., Gillian, Denise, Lee, Pat D., Helen or David Be. and we will give you the addresses. You can also contact the church office.

Start your decluttering and we look forward to your support in helping make this event a success!

**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.

**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*

**May 2, 2024**

8:00 AM to 5:00 PM – International Auction Rental

**May 4, 2024**

7:30 PM AA Meeting; in person lower level

**May 5, 2024 – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

10:00 AM Service; in person & live streamed

10:00 AM Sunday School

**May 6, 2024**

1:00 PM Helping Hands; in person

**May 7, 2024**

6:30 PM Garage Sale Planning Meeting; on Zoom

7:30 PM AA Meeting; in person lower level

**May 8, 2024**

10:30 AM Mid-week Service (BCP); in person

6:00 PM Scouts

**April 9, 2024**

11:30 AM Choir Practice; in person

1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Plus

**St. Martin's Anglican Church**  
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