



St. Martin's Anglican Church

August 25, 2024

10:00 AM

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome Team: John L, Elaine W

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: He's Got the Whole World in His Hands

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Sentence: Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

John 6.68

Opening Hymn: 425 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
drive the dark of doubt away;
giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee,
earth and heaven reflect thy rays;
stars and angels sing around thee,
center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,

flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain
call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
wellspring of the joy of living,
ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father and our Mother,
all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine.

CP 425-Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee.

Text: Henry van Dyke (1852-1933), alt

Music: Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827); arr. Edward Hoges (1796-1867).

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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 **1 KINGS 8:(1, 6, 10-11) 22-30, 41-43**

Reader: Alison S

A READING FROM THE FIRST BOOK OF KINGS

[Then Solomon assembled the elders of Israel and all the heads of the tribes, the leaders of the ancestral houses of the Israelites, before King Solomon in Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the covenant of the Lord out of the city of David, which is Zion. Then the priests brought the ark of the covenant of the Lord to its place, in the inner sanctuary of the house, in the most holy place, underneath the wings of the cherubim. And when the priests came out of the holy place, a cloud filled the house of the Lord, so that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud; for the glory of the Lord filled the house of the Lord.]

Then Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread out his hands to heaven. He said, "O Lord, God of Israel, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and steadfast love for your servants who walk before you with all their heart, the covenant that you kept for your servant my father David as you declared to him; you promised with your mouth and have this day fulfilled with your hand. Therefore, O Lord, God of Israel, keep for your servant my father David that which you promised him, saying, 'There shall never fail you a successor before me to sit on the throne of Israel, if only your children look to their way, to walk before me as you have walked before me.' Therefore, O God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which you promised to your servant my father David. But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Even heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain

you, much less this house that I have built! Regard your servant's prayer and his plea, O Lord my God, heeding the cry and the prayer that your servant prays to you today; that your eyes may be open night and day toward this house, the place of which you said, 'My name shall be there,' that you may heed the prayer that your servant prays toward this place. Hear the plea of your servant and of your people Israel when they pray toward this place; O hear in heaven your dwelling place; heed and forgive. Likewise when a foreigner, who is not of your people Israel, comes from a distant land because of your name - for they shall hear of your great name, your mighty hand, and your outstretched arm - when a foreigner comes and prays toward this house, then hear in heaven your dwelling place, and do according to all that the foreigner calls to you, so that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you, as do your people Israel, and so that they may know that your name has been invoked on this house that I have built."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 84

Celebrant: How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

All: The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Celebrant: Happy are they who dwell in your house! they will always be praising you.

All: Happy are the people whose strength is in you! whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

Celebrant: Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

All: They will climb from height to height, and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.

Celebrant: Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; hearken, O God of Jacob.

All: Behold our defender, O God; and look upon the face of your anointed.

Celebrant: For one day in your courts is better than a thousand in my own room, and to stand at the threshold of the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of the wicked.

All: For the Lord God is both sun and shield; he will give grace and glory;

Celebrant: No good thing will the Lord withhold from those who walk with integrity.

All: O Lord of hosts, happy are they who put their trust in you!

Celebrant: God of pilgrims, teach us to recognize your dwelling-place in the love, generosity, and support of those with whom we share our journey, and help us to worship you in our response to those who need our care; for all the world is your temple and every human heart is a sign of your presence, made known to us in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Second Reading EPHESIANS 6:10-20

Reader: William M

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE EPHESIANS

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the

saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

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

Music: Melody Caribbean trad.; arr John L. Bell, 1990

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Gospel Reading JOHN 6:56-69

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, "Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever." He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum. When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, "Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, "For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father." Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the

words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

Celebrant: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation: Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!

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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: William 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

Please stand as you are able

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

All: And also with you.

Offertory Hymn: 461 Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
you soldiers of the cross!

Lift high his royal banner,

it must not suffer loss.

From victory on to victory

his army he shall lead

till evil is defeated,

and Christ is Lord indeed.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus!

The trumpet call obey;

then join the mighty conflict

in this his glorious day.

Be strong in faith and serve him,

against unnumbered foes;

let courage rise with danger,

and strength to strength oppose.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus!

Stand in his power alone,

for human might will fail you --

you dare not trust your own.

Put on the gospel armour,

keep watch with constant prayer;

when duty calls or danger,

be never failing there.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus!

The fight will not be long:

this day the noise of battle,

the next the victor's song.

To everyone who conquers,

a crown of life shall be;

we, with the king of glory,

shall reign eternally.

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Prayer over the Gifts

Please stand as you are able

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

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 (Sung)

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

**All: Our Father in heaven hallowed be thy name, your kingdom
come, your will be done, on earth as it is 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.**

Text: BAS page 211. Music: Sibbick arr. Lambert.

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.

Music: Becket Gerald Senchur (1946-).

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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.

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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: 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 forever,
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.

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Dismissal

Celebrant: Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: I the Lord of Sea and Sky

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St. Martin's Announcements – Summer 2024

**New Announcement*

Sunday School - We look forward to Sunday School during the 10:00 AM Service. All are welcome!

June 23 to August 25, 2024 - Lemonade on the Lawn – Beginning June 23, 2024, we will be having lemonade on the lawn after the 10:00 AM Sunday service. We are in need for 2 volunteers every week to sign up to serve lemonade. No experience necessary and all supplies will be provided. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church. For more information, please speak to Linda or Ross S. You can also contact the church office at 905 839 4257 or office@stmartinsanglican.ca.

July 3, 2024, to September 4, 2024 – 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 11, 2024.

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

UPDATE FROM PADDY MCLOON

From July 1 to December 31, 2024, Paddy McLoon will be happy to accept your spare change with proceeds going to Luke's Place. To find out more about this charitable organization, please click on the link provided. [Luke's Place Resource Centre for Women and Children \(lukesplace.ca\)](http://lukesplace.ca).

Thank you for your continued support!

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](#).

Pickering in Bloom Garden of Distinction

The Stewards of Creation and the Garden Team are excited to announce that the St. Martin's Gardens are getting into the community spirit by taking part in the Pickering Blooms Garden of Distinction contest. Head over to [Pickering Blooms | Let's Talk Pickering](#) and as you scroll through photos of the beautiful gardens, you will see us there under "St. Martin's". Instructions for voting are on the website and begin on September 6.

SAVE THE DATE: Welcome Back Sunday, September 15 after the 10am service

*This year's Ministry food competition will be Dessert Pie (any kind). Which ministry's culinary masterpiece will win this year?

*NEW: There will be a judged Ministry poster competition this year, so take time over the summer to refresh your posters to reflect what your ministry is all about.

Old posters will be available for pickup in August.

For more information contact Lee L.

SAVE THE DATE: Faith formation

September 24th - October 29th 7pm on Zoom, Wednesdays in Person at 11:30am. Details to follow.

HOLLY BAZAAR- NOVEMBER 16, 2024 - 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 16 from 9am-1pm. 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 2025). 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.

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 2024 Holly Bazaar a success!

