



**St. Martin's Anglican Church**

**September 1, 2024**

**10:00 AM**

**Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

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Welcome Team: Elaine W, Marilyn 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:** Hear My Cry, Oh Lord

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**Sentence:** The Father brought us forth by the word of truth that we should be a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

*James 1.18*

**Opening Hymn: 393 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise**

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;  
thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest, to both great and small;  
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;

we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,  
and wither and perish, but nought changeth thee.

Great Source of all glory and wisdom and light,  
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;  
all laud we would render: O help us to see  
'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

*CP 393- Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise. Text: Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908), alt.  
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Harm. The English Hymnal, 1906.  
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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: Author and Giver of all good things,  
graft in our hearts the love of your name,  
increase in us true religion,

nourish us in all goodness,  
and of your great mercy keep us in the same;  
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 SONG OF SOLOMON 2:8-13**

Reader: Enid B

A READING FROM THE SONG OF SOLOMON

The voice of my beloved! Look, he comes, leaping upon the mountains, bounding over the hills. My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag. Look, there he stands behind our wall, gazing in at the windows, looking through the lattice. My beloved speaks and says to me: "Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away; for now the winter is past, the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear on the earth; the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land. The fig tree puts forth its figs, and the vines are in blossom; they give forth fragrance. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 45:1-2, 7-10**

Celebrant: My heart is stirring with a noble song; let me recite what I have fashioned for the king; my tongue shall be the pen of a skilled writer.

**All: You are the fairest of men; grace flows from your lips, because God has blessed you for ever.**

Celebrant: Your throne, O God, endures for ever and ever, a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of your kingdom; you love righteousness and hate iniquity.

**All: Therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness above your fellows.**

Celebrant: All your garments are fragrant with myrrh, aloes, and cassia, and the music of strings from ivory palaces makes you glad.

**All: Kings' daughters stand among the ladies of the court; on your right hand is the queen, adorned with the gold of Ophir.**

Celebrant: Gracious God, your love unites heaven and earth in a new festival of gladness. Lift our spirits to learn the way of joy that leads us to your banquet hall, where all is golden with praise. We ask this through Jesus Christ the Lord.

**All: Amen.**

**Second Reading JAMES 1:17-27**

Reader: Pat M

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF JAMES

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act - they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

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 MARK 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

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

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

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, 'This people honours me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.' You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition." Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile. For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

Celebrant: The Gospel of Christ.

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

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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: 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**

*Please stand as you are able*

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

**All: And also with you.**

**Offertory 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)*

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## **Prayer over the Gifts**

*Please stand as you are able*

Celebrant: Merciful God,  
receive all we offer you this day.  
Give us grace to love one another  
that your love may be made perfect in us.  
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.**

*CP 732 Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord. Music: Community Mass, Richard Proulx (1937-). ©1971, 1977  
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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: 619 Fairest Lord Jesus**

Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature,  
O thou the Godhead's human Son:  
thee will I cherish, thee will I honour,  
thou my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,  
robed in the blooming garb of spring;  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,  
who makes the troubled heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, Fairer still the moonlight,  
and fair the twinkling, starry host;  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer  
than all the angels heaven can boast.

All fairest beauty, heavenly and earthly,  
wondrously, Jesus, is found in thee;  
none can be nearer, fairer or dearer  
than thou, my Saviour, art to me.

*CP 619- Fairest Lord Jesus:*

*Text: Munster Gesanbuch, 1677 ; tr. Church Corals and Choir Studies, 1850, alt.*

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**Special Music: Ev'ry Time I Feel de Spirit**

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**Prayer after Communion**

*Please stand as you are able*

Celebrant: Almighty God,  
you renew us at your table with the bread of life.  
May your holy food strengthen us in love

and help us to serve you in each other.  
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: 450 You Call Us, Lord, to Be**

You call us, Lord, to be a people set apart,  
to feel with thoughtful mind  
and think with tender heart.

Thus chosen, now, O Lord, we ask  
for faith in your unfailing grace  
to make us equal to the task.

You call us, Lord, to care for self and neighbour too,  
to take the risk and dare to show what love can do.

Thus chosen, now, O Lord, we ask  
for faith in your unfailing grace  
to make us equal to the task.

You call us, Lord, to be good stewards of the earth;  
to tend it as a place of blessedness and worth.  
Thus chosen, now, O Lord, we ask  
for faith in your unfailing grace  
to make us equal to the task.

You call us, Lord, to serve: to die that we may live,  
to know we best receive when joyfully we give.  
Thus chosen, now, O Lord, we ask  
for faith in your unfailing grace  
to make us equal to the task.

*CP 450 You Call Us, Lord to Be*  
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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'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me

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## **St. Martin's Announcements – Summer 2024**

*\*New Announcement*

**There is no Sunday School on September 1st** - Sunday School will resume on September 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM.

**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 \(lukesplace.ca\)](https://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 24<sup>th</sup> - October 29<sup>th</sup> 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!