



St. Martin's Anglican Church

October 6, 2024

10:00 AM

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Season of Creation - St. Francis of Assisi Observed

Welcome Team: Elaine, 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 Reverend Shelly Pollard

Prelude: **Holy, Holy, Holy**

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Sentence: If we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

1 John 4.12

Opening Hymn: 397 Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

Praise the one who breaks the darkness
with a liberating light.

Praise the one who frees the prisoners,
Turning blindness into sight.

Praise the one who preached the gospel,
Healing every dread disease,
calming storms and feeding thousands
With the very bread of peace.

Praise the one who blessed the children

with a strong yet gentle word.
Praise the one who drove out demons
with a piercing two-edged sword.
Praise the one who brings cool water
to the desert's burning sand.
From this well comes living water,
quenching thirst in every land.

Praise the one true love incarnate:
Christ who suffered in our place.
Jesus died and rose for many
that we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness,
seeing what our God has done.
Praise the one redeeming glory,
praise the One who makes us one.

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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,
you have built your Church
on the foundation of the apostles and prophets,
Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone.
Join us together in unity of spirit by their teaching,
that we may become a holy temple, acceptable to you;
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 Galatians 6:14-18

Reader: Sharon J

May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. From now on, let no one make trouble for me; for I carry the marks of Jesus branded on my body. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters. Amen.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 148:7-14

Celebrant: Praise the LORD from the earth,
you sea-monsters and all the deeps;

**All: Fire and hail, snow and fog,
tempestuous wind, doing his will;**

Celebrant: Mountains and all hills,
fruit trees and all cedars;
**All: Wild beasts and all cattle,
creeping things and wingèd birds;**

Celebrant: Kings of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all rulers of the world;
**All: Young men and maidens,
old and young together.**

Celebrant: Let them praise the name of the Lord,
for his name only is exalted,
his splendour is over earth and heaven.
**All: He has raised up strength for his people
and praise for all his loyal servants,
the children of Israel, a people who are near him.
Hallelujah!**

Celebrant: Blessed are you, Lord our God, creator of heaven and earth; you
open our eyes to see the wonders around us, and our hearts and
mouths to praise you. Now give us strength for loving service,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
All: Amen.

Second Reading HEBREWS 1:1-4, 2:5-12

Reader: Peter D

A READING FROM THE LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets,
but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all
things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's
glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his
powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right
hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the
name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. Now God did not subject the
coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified
somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals,
that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the

chooses to reveal him. "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Celebrant: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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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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: 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

Please stand as you are able

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

All: **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn: 628 O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

O Love, how deep, how broad, how high!
It fills the heart with ecstasy,
that God, in Jesus Christ, should take
our mortal form for mortals' sake.

God sent no angel to our race
of higher or of lower place,
but wore the robe of human frame
and freely to this lost world came.

For us he was baptized, and bore
a holy fast, and hungered sore;
for us temptations sharply knew;
for us the tempter overthrew.

For us he prayed; for us he taught;
for us great daily works were wrought,
by words, and signs, and actions, thus
still seeking not himself, but us.

For us by wickedness betrayed,
scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed,
he bore the shameful cross and death;
for us at length gave up his breath.

For us he rose from death again,
for us he went on high to reign,
for us he sent his Spirit here
to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

To God whose boundless love has won
salvation for us through the Son,
to God all praise and glory be
both now and through eternity.

CP 628-O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High.
Text: Latin (*O amor quam*, 15th cent.); tr. Benjamin Webb (1819-1885).
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Prayer over the Gifts

Please stand as you are able

Celebrant: God of truth,
receive all we offer you this day.
Make us worthy servants,
strong to follow in the pattern
of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

All: Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer 3

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant: Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth;
we give you thanks and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
because in the fellowship of your saints
you have given us a glorious pledge
of the hope of our calling.
Therefore we join our voices with theirs
as earth and heaven unite
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: We give thanks to you, Lord our God,
for the goodness and love
you have made known to us in creation;
in calling Israel to be your people;
in your Word spoken through the prophets;
and above all in the Word made flesh,
Jesus your Son.
For in these last days you sent him
to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.
In him, you have delivered us from evil,
and made us worthy to stand before you.
In him, you have brought us
out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness,
out of death into life.**

**On the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
a death he freely accepted,
our Lord Jesus Christ took bread;
and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples,
and said, "Take, eat:
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."**

After supper he took the cup of wine;

and when he had given thanks,
he gave it to them,
and said, "Drink this, all of you:
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me."

All: Therefore, Father, according to his command,
we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

Celebrant: and we offer our sacrifice
of praise and thanksgiving
to you, Lord of all;
presenting to you, from your creation,
this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God,
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,
that they may be the sacrament
of the body of Christ
and his blood of the new covenant.
Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,
that we, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time,
reconcile all things in Christ,

and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light
where you dwell with all your children;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,

the firstborn of all creation,
the head of the Church,
and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,
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: Almighty God,
may we who have been strengthened by this eucharist
remain in your steadfast love,
and show in our lives
the saving mystery that we celebrate.
This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the 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.

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Dismissal

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: How Great Thou Art

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St. Martin's Weekly Announcements – 2024

**New Announcement*

Sunday School - Sunday School is every Sunday during the 10:00 AM service. All are welcome!

Mid-Week Service

Join us for our BCP mid-week service Wednesdays at 10:30am. Refreshments will follow. All are welcome. 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](#).

***Blessings of the Animals October 6th at 12pm (noon)**

We will gather on the front lawn to bless our beloved pets, in memory of St. Francis and motivated by God's love for all creation. You're invited to bring your pets for a blessing (suitably leashed or caged for pet safety please). You are also welcome to bring a picture of your beloved pets as well. All are welcome to attend!

TIME AND TALENT AUCTION happening October 19th at 7pm.

If you would like to help out this fun evening and fundraising event by donating your time and/or talent as an auction item, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

The Stewardship Committee is also asking for any and all committees for a gift basket that will be part of the silent auction.

There is no cost to attend the event, and we are having Vocalist Soprano Denise Williams. Denise has been here at St. Martin's in the past.

Ideas for auction items are limited to only your imagination, so please help us out with your participation and attendance on October 19th.

***Faith formation: September 24- October 29 7pm on Zoom, Wednesdays in Person at 11:30am**

"What's 'love' got to do with it?": Understanding the different types of love described in the Bible.

Join for a 6-week overview on the seven different types of love that are found in the Bible. We most often hear about four kinds of love in the scripture, but there are scholars who believe that there might be seven types of love found throughout the Bible.

Looking at these types of love help us in understanding our relationship with God and with each other.

Week 1: Philia: How this type of love can help to move the world.

Week 2: Storge: How this type of love can help to change the world.

Week 3: Eros/Ludas: The gift that can be weaponized.

Week 4: Pragma: How this type of love helps us to continue with the work we are called to do.

Week 5: Philatua: Caring for ourselves helps us to care for others.

Week 6: Agape: The love of God/the example of Jesus.

Week 3: Eros/Ludas: The gift that can be weaponized

Eros/Ludas: Romantic/Playful love. Read Judges 14 and Judges 16. Samson became obsessed, and his obsession led to his downfall. How can obsessions in our world be harmful? What stood out to you about Samson's behavior? How should Samson have responded instead? Where did Samson and Delilah go wrong individually and together? What lessons can we learn?

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81917588125?pwd=av4admseT42g9dOmJnxZbpUBDDqp4I.1>

Meeting ID: 819 1758 8125

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Holly Bazaar: Saturday November 16th from 9am - 1pm

We are now accepting your *gently used* items for the Grannie's Attic. Most items are acceptable but please no **clothing, books, or videotapes**. If you are donating electronics, lamps, etc, please make sure they are clean and in working condition. Please do not bring in broken glassware, figurines etc. You can bring your items to the church on Sundays, or if you are unable to bring items in yourself, contact Lee Lynn or Denise Farrugia to arrange for pickup.

Bottle Boutique

We are now accepting wine for this very popular Holly Bazaar game, however we still need non-perishable bottle items as well. Please place your donations in the bin beside the food bank wagon.

Bake Table

As always, we are looking for people willing to donate baked items, preserves, jams, etc for the bake table at the bazaar. We will accept these items the night before the event. More details to follow closer to the event date. Contact Lee Lynn or Denise Farrugia for more information.