



**St. Martin's Anglican Church**  
**May 4th, 2025**  
**10:00 AM**  
**3rd Sunday of Easter**

Welcome Team: Darlene D, Art

Chalice Bearers: Rob M, Shelley M

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: Chorale BWV 176.6 from Cantata Er Ist Ein Trotzig und Verzagt Ding

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

*Luke 24.32*

**Opening Hymn:** 482 Come and Journey with a Saviour

Come and journey with a Saviour  
who has called us from our birth,  
who has washed us in the waters,  
and who loved us on the earth.

Come and journey, come and journey  
with a Saviour who has come.  
We are all God's blessed children

in the Spirit, we are one.  
Come and journey, journey inward,  
come and seek him deep within,  
where he meets us in our living,  
in our striving and our sin.

Come and journey, come and journey  
with a Saviour who has come.  
We are all God's blessed children  
in the Spirit, we are one.

Come and journey, journey outward,  
telling others of his name,  
telling others of his glory,  
of his cross and of the shame.

Come and journey, come and journey  
with a Saviour who has come.  
We are all God's blessed children  
in the Spirit, we are one.

Come and journey, journey outward,  
where that cross calls us to care,  
where injustice and where hunger  
and the poor call us to share.

Come and journey, come and journey  
with a Saviour who has come.  
We are all God's blessed children;  
in the Spirit, we are one.

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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.**

### **365          Glory to God on High**

Glory to God on high,  
and peace to all on earth.

We worship you, we give you thanks,  
our heavenly King.

We give you praise,  
almighty God and Father blessed in glory bright.

Our Saviour, Jesus Christ,  
the Father's only Son,  
the sacrificial Lamb,  
who saves the world from sin,  
have mercy Lord.

Beside the Father's hand enthroned,  
now hear our prayer.

You only are the Lord.  
You only are most high.  
You only are the holy one,  
Lord Jesus Christ.  
And now you reign

with Father and with Spirit one  
in glorious light.

*CP 365 Glory to God on High.  
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## **The Collect**

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

**All:** **Amen.**

## **THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

**First Reading ACTS 9:1-20**

Reader: Shirley V

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do."

The men who were travelling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank. Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision,

"Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength. For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### **PSALM 30**

Celebrant: I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

**All: O Lord my god, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health.**

Celebrant: You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

**All: Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.**

Celebrant: For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, his favour for a lifetime.

**All: Weeping may spend the night, but joy comes in the morning.**

Celebrant: While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed. You, Lord, with your favour, made me as strong as the mountains."

**All: Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear.**

Celebrant: I cried to you, O Lord; I pleaded with the Lord, saying,

**All: "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?"**

Celebrant: Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; O Lord, be my helper."

**All: You have turned my wailing into dancing; you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.**

Celebrant: Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

Celebrant: God our Father, glorious in giving and restoring life, do not hide your face from your people overcome with loneliness and fear; turn our mourning into dancing and raise us up with your Son, that we may rejoice in your presence for ever.

**All: Amen.**

**Second Reading                      REVELATION 5:11-14**

Reader: Peter D

A READING FROM THE REVELATION TO JOHN

Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honour and glory and blessing!" Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honour and glory and might forever and ever!" And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshipped.

Reader:                      The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel

*Please stand in body or in spirit 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 21:1-19

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**

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and

did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

Celebrant: The Gospel of Christ.

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

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

*Sing A New Creation*

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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: Selwyn

### **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 in body or in spirit*

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

**All: And also with you.**

**Offertory Hymn: 622 How Bright Appears the Morning Star**

How bright appears the morning star,  
with mercy beaming from afar;  
the host of heaven rejoices.

O righteous Branch of Jesse's Rod,  
true Light of Light and God of God,  
we, too will lift our voices.

Jesus, Jesus,  
holy, holy,  
yet most lowly,  
ever near us,  
great Emmanuel, swift to hear us.

Though circled by the hosts on high,  
you looked on us with pitying eye  
and saved your sinful creature;  
the whole creation's head and Lord,  
by highest seraphim adored,  
you took our very nature.

Amen, amen!  
    alleluia,  
    alleluia!  
praise be given  
evermore by earth and heaven.

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## Prayer over the Gifts

*Please stand in body or in spirit*

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

**All: Amen.**

## THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

### Eucharistic Prayer 2

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

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

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

Celebrant: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,  
through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ,  
our Saviour and Redeemer.

He is your living Word,  
through whom you have created all things.  
By the power of the Holy Spirit  
he took flesh of the Virgin Mary

and shared our human nature.  
He lived and died as one of us,  
to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

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

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

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

## **Sanctus**

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

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

*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 us 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 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- ).*

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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: 62 Come Let Us Eat**

*The congregation sings the bold text.*

Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread,

**Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.**

Our Lord's body let us take together,

**Our Lord's body let us take together.**

Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured  
**Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured.**  
Jesus' blood poured let us drink together,  
**Jesus' blood poured let us drink together.**  
In his presence now we meet and rest.  
**In his presence now we meet and rest.**  
In the presence of our Lord we gather,  
**In the presence of our Lord we gather.**

Rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word,  
**Rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word.**  
Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom,  
**Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom.**

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## **Anthem: Here I Am**

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## **Prayer after Communion**

*Please stand in body or in spirit*

Celebrant: Author of life divine,  
in the breaking of bread we know the risen Lord.  
Feed us always in these mysteries,  
that we may show your glory to all the world.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

## **Doxology & Blessing**

Celebrant: Glory to God,  
**All: whose power, working in us,  
can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.  
Glory to God from generation to generation,  
in the Church and in Christ Jesus, For ever and ever. Amen.**

Celebrant: The peace of God which passes all understanding  
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge  
and love of God and of his Son,  
Jesus Christ the Lord.

And the blessing of God Almighty,  
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
remain with you and the ones you love  
now and forevermore.

**All: Amen.**

### **Announcements**

**Closing Hymn: 508 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say**

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
“Come unto me and rest;  
lay down, O weary one, lay down  
your head upon my breast.”

I came to Jesus as I was,  
so weary, worn, and sad;  
I found him in a resting place,  
and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
“Behold, I freely give  
the living water; thirsty one,  
stoop down and drink and live.”  
I came to Jesus, and I drank  
of that life-giving stream;  
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,  
and now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
“I am this dark world’s light;  
look unto me; your morn shall rise,  
and all your day be bright.”  
I looked to Jesus, and I found



in him my star, my sun;  
and in that light of life I'll walk  
till traveling days are done.

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## **Dismissal**

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

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

**Postlude:** The Swan

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*\*New Announcement*

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



**\*Messy Church – Upcoming dates:**

**Sat May 24<sup>th</sup> 10am – 11:30am.**

St. Martin's now offers Messy Church. Come for a morning of fun for the whole family! This is an alternative service for busy families. A fun morning for the whole family. Crafts, games, stories, music

and snacks! Please check our calendar for this event. If you would like to help or volunteer, speak to Rev. Shelly for more information.

### **Mid-Week Service**

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

### **\*SAVE THE DATE!**

We invite you to join us on **Sunday, May 25**, immediately following the service, for a delightful afternoon hosted by the Social Committee. Enjoy a light lunch while we welcome the talented VIVA Seniors Choir for a lively sing-along performance!

To help us prepare, please sign up on the sheet located at the back table if you plan to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!

### **\*SAVE THE DATE – GARAGE SALE - SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 2025 8AM TO 12PM**

Save the date! The Fundraising Committee is hosting a garage sale on **Saturday, June 7 from 8am –12 pm**. Please plan to attend and spread the word to your friends, family and neighbours. The location for this fun event is 501 Petticoat Lane, Pickering.

There is a flyer with all the details available to distribute to help spread the word! We need your help with donations of gently used items including clothing, small furniture and books to sell.

We will be asking you to drop your donations off to the garage sale location directly so please talk to one of our team members, Debbie C., Denise, or Lee, to make arrangements. You can also call the church office. Start your decluttering and we look forward to your support in helping make this event a success!

**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](#).

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