



ST. MARTIN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
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August 29, 2021 | 10:00 AM

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



van Rijn, Rembrandt. *Saint James the Greater*. 1661

Prelude

Fantasia in C major

J.S. Bach, BWV 570

Gathering

Welcome

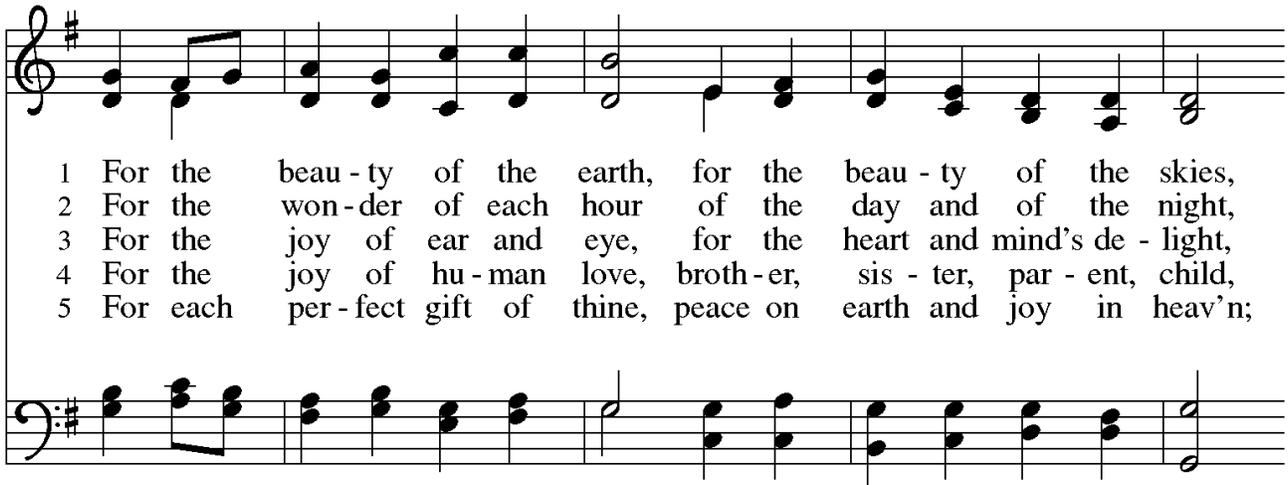
The people stand.

Gathering Hymn

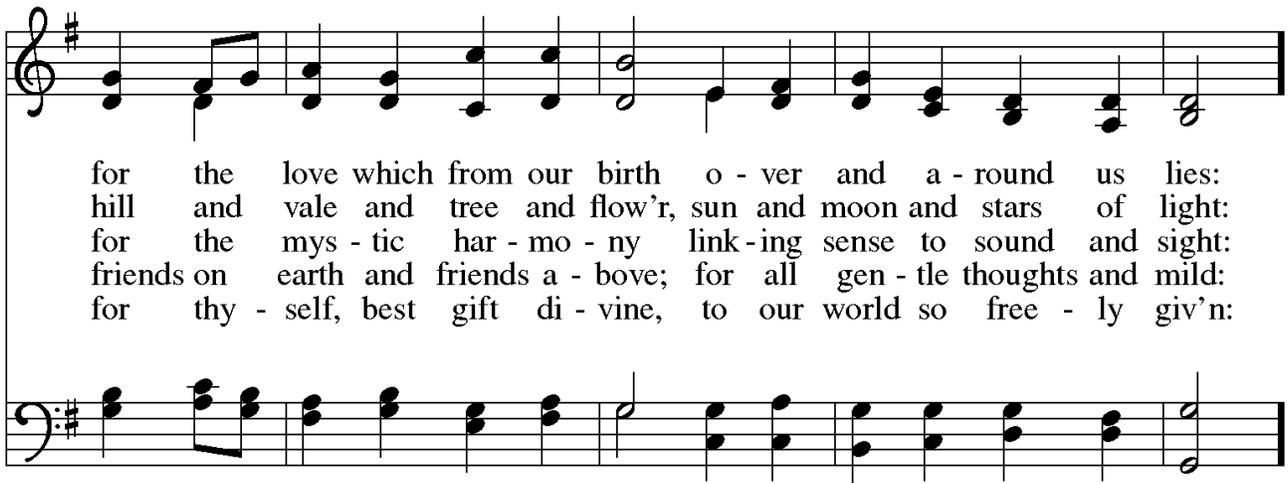
Hymn 879

For the Beauty of the Earth

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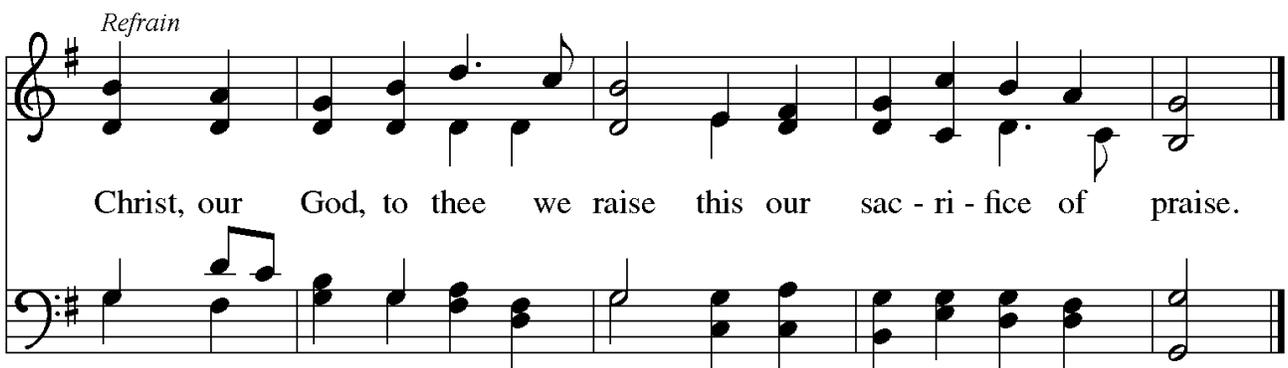


1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,
2 For the won - der of each hour of the day and of the night,
3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
4 For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
5 For each per - fect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:
hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:
for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight:
friends on earth and friends a - bove; for all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
for thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our world so free - ly giv'n:

Refrain



Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Canticle of Praise

Refrain

Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Prayer of the Day

Word

The people are seated.

First Reading

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

¹So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. ²You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you.

⁶You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" ⁷For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? ⁸And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today?

⁹But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading

James 1:17-27

¹⁷Every 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. ¹⁸In fulfillment 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.

¹⁹You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; ²⁰for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. ²¹Therefore 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.

²²But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. ²³For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; ²⁴for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. ²⁵But 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.

²⁶If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. ²⁷Religion 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.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand.

Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

Gospel

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

The Holy Gospel according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around [Jesus], ²they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. ³(For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; ⁴and 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.) ⁵So 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?” ⁶He said to them, “Isaiah prophesied rightly about you

hypocrites, as it is written,

‘This people honors me with their lips,

but their hearts are far from me;

⁷in vain do they worship me,

teaching human precepts as doctrines.’

⁸You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.”

¹⁴Then he called the crowd again and said to them, “Listen to me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.”

²¹For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, ²²adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. ²³All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The people are seated. Children may come forward for the children’s message.

Children’s Message

Message

The people stand. Prayer cards are collected by the ushers during the Hymn of the Day.

Hymn of the Day

Hymn 793

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE



ALL 1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
HIGH VOICES 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
LOW VOICES 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
ALL 4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord.
thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's Sun!



thou my best thought both by day and by night,
Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,
thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
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,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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 Intercession

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

The people are seated.

Announcements

Meal

Offering Offerings may be placed in the basket in the narthex, or you can donate at saintmartins.org/giving or text "luther" and your gift amount to 73256. Standard text message and data rates may apply.

Anthem

Holy Art Thou

G.F. Handel

The people stand.

Offering Hymn

Praise and Thanksgiving Be to God

(verse 1 only)

Hymn 458

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

1 Praise and thanksgiving be to God our
mak - er, source of all bless - ing, prod - i - gal cre -
a - tor. Bap - tized and made your own, now we come be -
fore you, and we a - dore you.

Offering Prayer

Let us pray. God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. Each staff contains a melody line with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.', 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.', 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.', and 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.'

Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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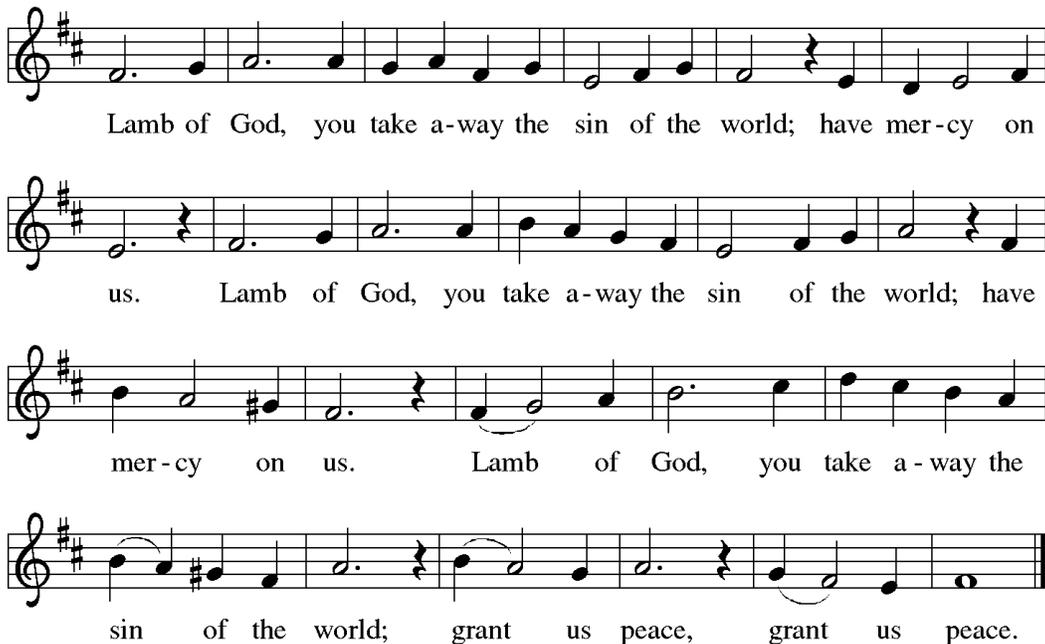
Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

The people are seated.

Agnus Dei



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Holy Communion *Our communion table is open to all. Everyone is welcome to receive communion regardless of age or denomination. Gluten free wafers are available.*

Music at Communion

Et Exultavit from *Magnificat*

J.S. Bach, BWV 243

Et exultavit spiritus meus in deo salutari meo | And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my savior.

The people stand.

Table Blessing

Prayer after Communion

Sending

Blessing

Sending Hymn

Hymn 824

This Is My Father's World

TERRA PATRIS

1 This is my Fa-ther's world, and to my lis-t'ning ears all
2 This is my Fa-ther's world; the birds their car-ols raise; the
3 This is my Fa-ther's world; oh, let me not for-get that,

na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres.
morn - ing light, the lil - y white, de - clare their mak - er's praise.
though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul - er yet.

This is my Fa-ther's world; I rest me in the thought of
This is my Fa-ther's world; he shines in all that's fair. In the
This is my Fa-ther's world; why should my heart be sad? The

rocks and trees, of
rus - tling grass I
Lord is king, let

skies and seas; I
hear him pass; he
heav - en ring; God

his hand the won - ders wrought.
he speaks to me ev-'ry-where.
reigns, let earth be glad!

Dismissal

Go in peace. Christ is with you. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Concerto in F: *Allegro*

G.F. Handel, Op. 4, No. 4

Serving Today

Preaching/Presiding: Rev. Ellen Williams

Assisting Ministers: Tom Blomquist, Cason Miller

Lector: Paul Brown

Director of Music: Dr. Tim O'Brien

Organist: Austin Haller

Musicians: Anitra Coulter Blunt, Jenny Ohrstrom, soprano; Katherine Altobello-O'Brien, mezzo-soprano; Jameson James, tenor; Gil Zilkha, bass

Sound: Jim Parkhurst

Video: Eddie Jennings

Ushers: Norm Hummell

Prayers

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Patricia Bloxom; Gerry Berens; Denise Bunton; Daniel Laudermilk; the Erickson family; the Mickelson family; Kavan McComus; Jenny Ohrstrom; Margaret Puskos; Janet Ryder; Shirley Scott and family; Sam Staggs; Judy Yeager; the Young family; those affected by the fires in the west, teachers, school administrators, and students.

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR

Terry Adcock; Nancy Anderson; Bob Aus; Emily Berggren; Patricia Byous; Vickie Dunlevy; Eleanor and Dave; Sam Gourley; Dean Haynie; Ronnie Johnson; Peter Jordahl; Kara; Betty Klinefelter; Betsy Knauff; Arvid Larson; Pat Larson; Doris McGaughy; David Pierce; Jeff Puskos; Lottie Smith; Betty Staehr.

August Benevolence: Lutheran Campus Ministry

Lutheran Campus Ministry has been serving The University of Texas for over 75 years, creating a safe space where students can feel at home, loved, and encouraged as they engage big questions, explore their faith, and discern who God is calling them to be in the world. You can support LuMin by giving through St. Martin's on Realm or at saintmartins.org/giving, and selecting "Lutheran Campus Ministry" in the drop-down menu. Your giving supports a Lutheran presence, outreach, and faith formation among young adults, faculty, and staff. Learn more about LuMin at lcmaustin.org.

July Financial Report Year-to-Date Income Statement

Revenues		Expenses		Net Total	15,100
Operating	434,033	Operating	451,358	July Benevolence Donations: St. Martin's Lunch Bag Ministry	
Building	86,460	Building	73,183		
School	699,951	School	680,803		
Total	1,220,444	Total	1,205,344		

Events & Announcements

3rd-8th Grade Bridge Building | Sunday, August 29th, 12:00 pm

Come out all 3rd-8th graders for Bridge building! What is bridge building? It's a time for those that want to develop leadership skills to come out and practice communication, working as a team, and learning to give direction, all the while bonding with their community! Contact Cason (cmiller@saintmartins.org) for more information.

Coffee & Conversation with Pastor Ellen | Wednesdays from 9:00—9:30 am

Join Pastor Ellen for coffee and conversation, in person at the church or virtually via Zoom. Wednesdays from 9:00 - 9:30 am. (Find the Zoom link on our calendar at saintmartins.org/events.)

Music Rehearsals Resume!

Fall choir rehearsals begin on Wednesday, September 8th at 7:00 in the Sanctuary. Handbells begin on Wednesday, September 15th at 8:30 in the Sanctuary. Both ensembles are taking new members. Come sing together and share joy in a musical faith community. All are welcome. Please contact Tim O'Brien at tobrien@saintmartins.org if you are considering singing or ringing with us!

Rally Day, Sunday, September 12th, 2021

Rally Day is on the horizon! We'll be returning to two services: family worship at 9:00 am and traditional worship at 11:00 am. We will go together to a Sunday School open house outside the Parlor between services at 10:00 am to learn about all this new program year has to offer! We look forward to celebrating with you!

Bible Distribution | September 12th during worship services

At baptism, St. Martin's is entrusted with the responsibility of placing the holy scriptures in the hands of the children. During worship services on Rally Day, September 12th, Bibles will be given to our children. 2 year olds will receive the Spark Storybook, 3rd graders will receive the Spark Bible, and 6th graders will receive the Lutheran Student Bible. If your child did not receive their Bible last year, they will receive the age appropriate bible also.

St. Martin's Parent Feedback Form

COVID-19 Delta variant prompted a revisit to Fall Programming for Children's Faith

Formation (Sunday School). The goal is to ensure that St. Martin's provides the safest environment for children and to provide an opportunity for faith formation and community among our youngest members. This is your program and your feedback is valued to ensure that your children have a safe spirit led faith formation journey at St. Martin's. Please fill out this form bit.ly/SMparent.

This Week at St. Martin's

Sunday, August 29

10:00 am	Holy Communion
12:00 pm	3rd-8th Grade Bridge Building
5:00 pm	Lutheran Campus Ministry Worship

Monday, August 30 *New Preschool year begins!*

Tuesday, August 31

9:00 am	WELCA Tack & Pack
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Wednesday, September 1

September benevolence focus: St. Martin's Preschool Scholarships

1:00 pm	Pastor's Book Class
5:00 pm	High School Devotional (Zoom)
6:00 pm	Wednesday Game Night

Sunday, September 5

10:00 am	Holy Communion
12:00 am	3rd-8th Grade Bridge Building
5:00 pm	Lutheran Campus Ministry Worship

Monday, September 6

Labor Day—Church office and School closed