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October 31, 2021 | 11:00 AM

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## REFORMATION SUNDAY

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Bellotto, Bernardo. *The Fortress of Königstein*, 1756-1758.

### Prelude

Voluntary on *Ein Feste Burg*  
(A Mighty Fortress Is Our God)

Johann Gottfried Walther

### Gathering

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### Welcome

*The people stand.*

### Thanksgiving for Baptism

# Processional Hymn

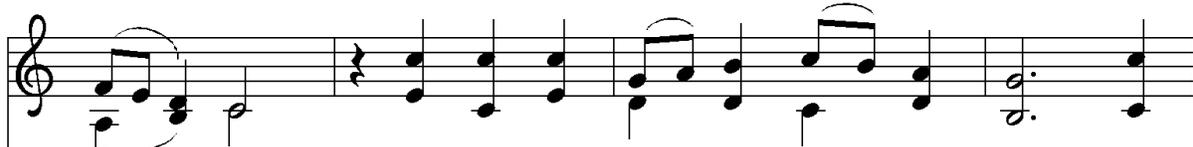
Hymn 504

## A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

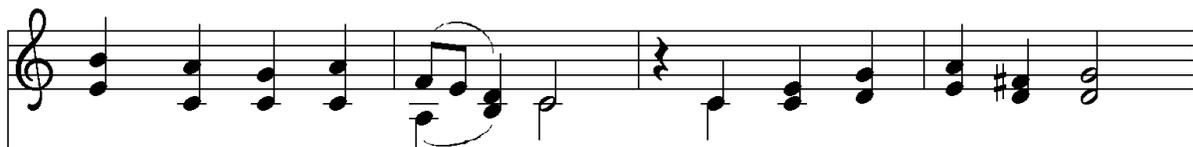
EIN FESTE BURG



1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a sword and shield vic -  
2 No strength of ours can match his might! We would be lost, re -  
3 Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all threat - ning to de -  
4 God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no thanks to foes, who



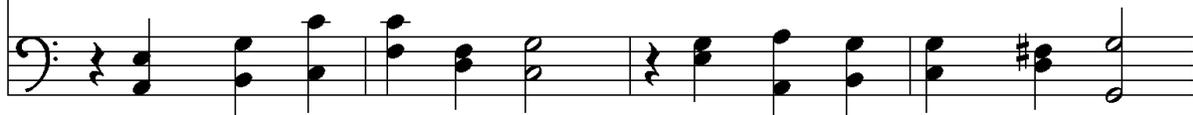
to - rious; he breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod and  
ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes to fight, whom  
your us, we trem - ble not, un - moved we stand; they  
fear it; for God him - self fights by our side with



wins sal - va - tion glo - rious. The old sa - tan - ic foe  
God him - self e - lect - ed. You ask who this may be?  
can - not o - ver - pow'r us. Let this world's ty - rant rage;  
weap - ons of the Spir - it. Were they to take our house,



has sworn to work us woe! With craft and dread - ful might  
The Lord of hosts is he! Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord,  
in bat - tle we'll en - gage! His might is doomed to fail;  
goods, hon - or, child, or spouse, though life be wrenched a - way,



he arms him - self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.  
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.  
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.  
 they can - not win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

## 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.**

*The people are seated.*

## Song of Praise

I. Chorus from BWV 79 *Gott der Herr is Sonn und Schild*

J.S. Bach

*Gott der Herr ist Sonn und Schild.  
 Der Herr gibt Gnade und Ehre,  
 er wird kein Gutes mangeln lassen den  
 Frommen.*

*God the Lord is sun and shield,  
 the Lord gives mercy and honour,  
 he will allow no good thing to be lacking to the  
 righteous.*

*The people stand.*

## Prayer of the Day

*The people are seated.*

## Word

### First Reading

Jeremiah 31:31-34

<sup>31</sup>The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>32</sup>It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. <sup>33</sup>But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law

within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup>No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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

## **Second Reading**

**Romans 3:19-28**

<sup>19</sup>Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup>For "no human being will be justified in his sight" by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

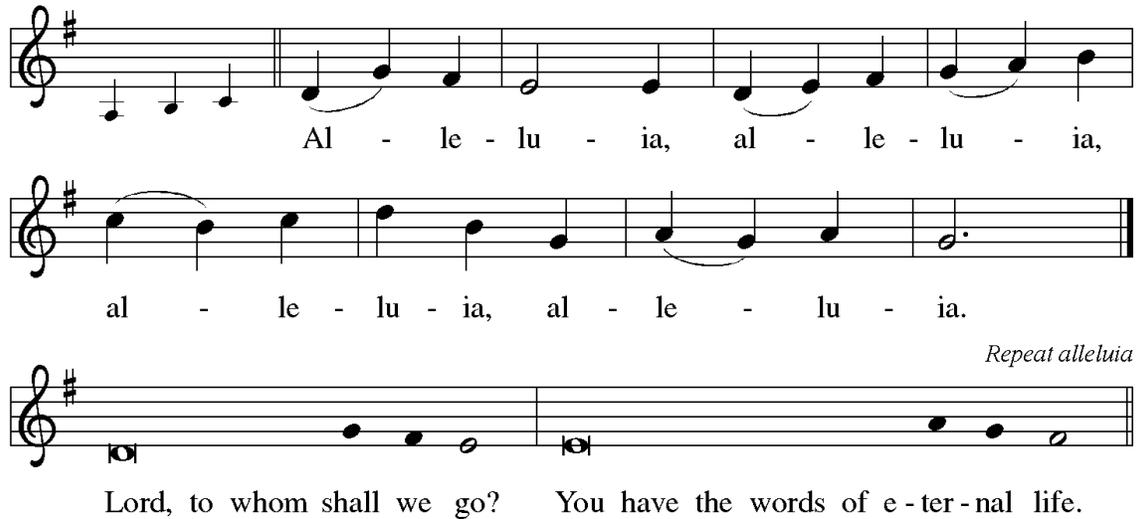
<sup>21</sup>But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, <sup>22</sup>the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, <sup>23</sup>since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; <sup>24</sup>they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; <sup>26</sup>it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

<sup>27</sup>Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. <sup>28</sup>For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

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

*The people stand.*

## Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
*Repeat alleluia*  
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

## Gospel

John 8:31-36

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

<sup>31</sup>Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." <sup>33</sup>They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"

<sup>34</sup>Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

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

*The people are seated.*

## Message

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

# Hymn of the Day

Hymn 654

## The Church's One Foundation

AURELIA

1 The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;  
2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,  
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,  
4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion and tu - mult of her war,  
5 Yet she on earth has u - nion with God, the Three in One,

she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.  
her char - ter of sal - va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth:  
by schisms . . rent a - sund - er, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,  
she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more;  
and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won.

From heav'n he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;  
one ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,  
yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"  
till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,  
Oh, bless - ed heav'n - ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by your grace,

with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.  
and to one hope she press - es with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.  
and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.  
and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.  
that we, like saints be - fore us, may see you face to face.

## 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

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

## The Peace

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

*The people are seated.*

## Meal

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

## Anthem

II. Aria from BWV 79 *Gott der Herr is Sonn und Schild*

J.S. Bach

*Gott ist unser sonn' und Schild!  
Darum rümet dessen Güte  
Unser dankbares Gemüthe,  
die er für sein Häuflein hegt.  
Denn er will uns ferner schützen,  
mag der Feind auch Pfeile Schmitzen,  
sei der Lästrer noch so wild.*

*God is our sun and shield!  
Therefore our grateful spirit  
praises the kindness  
with which he cares for his little flock.  
For he wants to continue to protect us  
although our enemies sharpen their arrows  
and a blasphemous dog now barks*

*The people stand.*

## Offering Hymn

Our God His Own Is Shielding (Chorale from BWV 79)

J.S. Bach

Our God his own is shield - ing. And

The first system of musical notation for the hymn, featuring a treble and bass clef in G major and 3/4 time. The lyrics are: "Our God his own is shield - ing. And".

5 help to them is yield - ing. Our

The second system of musical notation, starting at measure 5. The lyrics are: "help to them is yield - ing. Our".

9 work will pros - per nev - er. Un

The third system of musical notation, starting at measure 9. The lyrics are: "work will pros - per nev - er. Un".

13 . less God bless it ev - er. A - men.

The fourth system of musical notation, starting at measure 13. The lyrics are: ". less God bless it ev - er. A - men.".

## Offering Prayer

Let us pray. God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through 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.

This musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). It consists of four lines of music. The first line contains two phrases: 'The Lord be with you.' and 'And al - so with you.' The second line contains two phrases: 'Lift up your hearts.' and 'We lift them to the Lord.' The third line contains one phrase: 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.' The fourth line contains one phrase: 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.' The melody is simple and uses quarter and eighth notes with slurs.

## Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.

This musical score is written in treble and bass clefs with a key signature of two flats (Bb, Eb) and a common time signature (C). It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line in treble clef and a piano accompaniment line in bass clef. The first system contains the lyrics 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,'. The second system contains the lyrics 'ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,'. The third system contains the lyrics 'heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.' The piano accompaniment features block chords and simple rhythmic patterns.

Ho - san - na in the high - est, 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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Thanksgiving at the Table

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

## Lord's Prayer

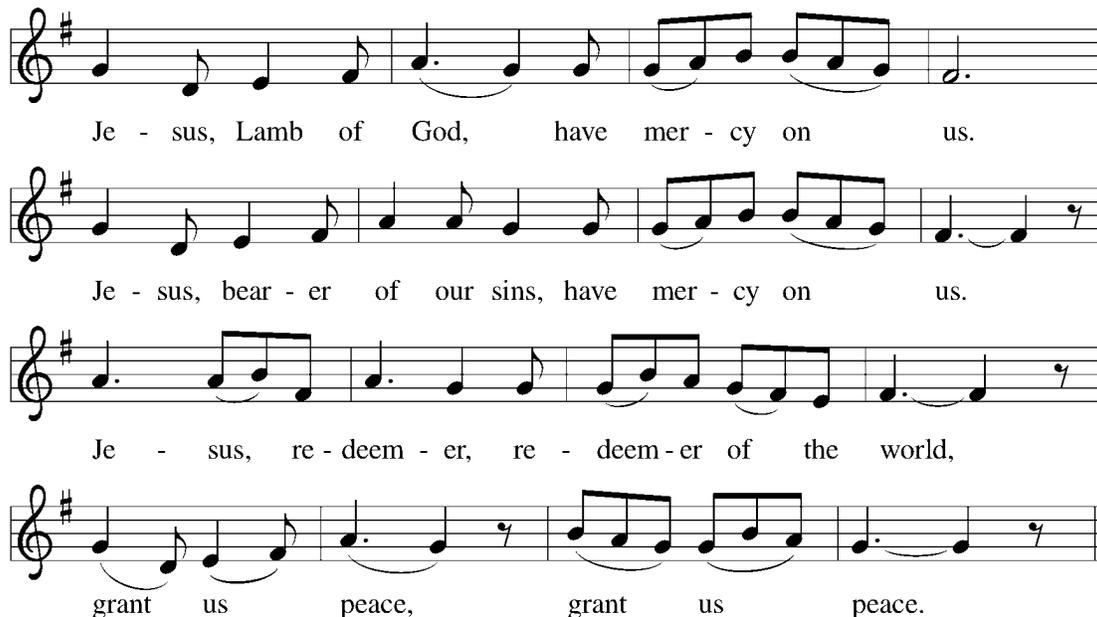
Our Father, who art in heaven,  
 hallowed be thy name,  
 thy kingdom come,  
 thy will be done,  
 on earth as it is in heaven.

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



Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins, have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er 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

### IV. Recit

### V. Duet from BWV 79 *Gott der Herr is Sonn und Schild*

J.S. Bach

*Gottlob, wir wissen*

*Den rechten Weg zur Seligkeit;*

*Denn, Jesu, du hast ihn uns durch dein Wort gewiesen,*

*Drum bleibt dein Name jederzeit gepriesen.*

*Weil aber viele noch*

*Zu dieser Zeit*

*An fremdem Joch*

*Aus Blindheit ziehen müssen,*

*Ach! so erbarme dich*

*Auch ihrer gnädiglich,*

*Dass sie den rechten Weg erkennen*

*Und dich bloß ihren Mittler nennen*

*Gott, ach Gott, verlass die Deinen*

*Nimmermehr!*

*Laß dein Wort uns helle scheinen;*

*Obgleich sehr*

*Wider uns die Feinde toben,*

*So soll unser Mund dich loben*

*God be praised, we know*

*the right way to blessedness;*

*for, Jesus, you have shown it to us through your word,*

*therefore your name forever remains praised.*

*But since many still*

*at this time*

*must bear a foreign yoke through blindness,*

*ah! have pity*

*on them graciously*

*so that they come to know the right way*

*and name you as their only mediator*

*God, ah God, forsake your people*

*never again!*

*Let your word shine clearly for us;*

*although our enemies rage very greatly against us,*

*our mouth will then praise you*

The people stand.

## Table Blessing

## Prayer after Communion

## Sending

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## Announcements

## Blessing

## Sending Hymn

Hymn 840

Now Thank We All Our God *(verse 1)*

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

sung to III. Chorale from BWV 79 *Gott der Herr is Sonn und Schild*

1 Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices,  
2 Oh, may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,  
3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,

who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices;  
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,  
the Son, and Spirit blest, who reign in highest heaven,

who, from our moth-ers' arms, has blest us on our way  
 and keep us all in grace, and guide us when per-plexed,  
 the one e-ter-nal God, whom earth and heav'n a-dore;

with count-less gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.  
 and free us from all harm in this world and the next.  
 for thus it was, is now, and shall be ev-er-more.

## Dismissal

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you. **Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

Tocatta and Fugue in D minor

J.S. Bach, BWV 565

**Join us in the Worship Park for our *Reformation Sunday Celebration!***

# Serving Today

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Preaching/Presiding:	Rev. Ellen Williams
Assisting Ministers:	Tom Blomquist
Lector:	Syringa Bilberry
Director of Music:	Dr. Tim O'Brien
Organist:	Austin Haller
Musicians:	St. Martin's Choir; Jenny Ohrstrom, soprano; Katherine Altobello-O'Brien, alto; Jameson James, tenor; Gil Zilkha, bass; Matthew Armbruster, cello; Rebecca Fairweather-Haskins, Fred Behning, oboe; Andrew Fuhrman, timpani
Sound:	Jim Parkhurst
Video:	Eddie Jennings
Ushers:	Norm Hummell

## Prayers

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### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Leona Abrahamson; Gerry Berens; Stan Cravatt; Jim Davis and Sophia; Vickie Dunlevy; Francis Green; Rachel, Josh, and Aiden Jefferson; Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, Granite Bay, CA; Myra Mallik; Rebekah, Daniel, Mary Kate, Joseph, Miguel, and Derek; Robin Sandager; Harold Schmitz; family of Sheila Smith; Afghans moving to Austin.

### CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR

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

# October Benevolence: San Antonio Day Respite Center

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The San Antonio Day Respite Center hosts asylum seekers as they spend the day waiting for transportation by air or bus to their sponsors throughout the US. Showers, food, clothing, backpacks, and assistance with purchasing travel accommodations are available while they wait. Your contributions will be used to support the Center's operating costs of caring for individuals and families who have fled danger in their home countries.

Find out more at [www.swtsynod.org/newsletters/111/display](http://www.swtsynod.org/newsletters/111/display) and give at [saintmartins.org](http://saintmartins.org).

## September Financial Report Year-to-Date Income Statement

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Revenues		Expenses		Net	38
Operating	567,396	Operating	584,236	School Scholarships Benevolence: Sept. = \$6,415 Oct. = \$5,015 YTD = \$15,485	
Building	124,067	Building	92,575		
School	848,153	School	862,767		
Total	1,539,616	Total	1,539,578		

## Events & Announcements

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### *This Week at St. Martin's*

#### **Sunday, October 31—Reformation Sunday**

- 9:00 am Holy Communion
- 10:00 am Faith Formation Hour
- 11:00 am Holy Communion
- 12:00 pm Reformation Celebration!

#### **Tuesday, November 2**

- 9:00 am WELCA Tack & Pack

#### **Wednesday, November 3**

- 1:00 pm Pastor's Book Class
- 6:00 pm Wednesday Game Night
- 7:00 pm Choir rehearsal

#### **Thursday, November 4**

- 6:00 pm High School Devotional (Zoom)

#### **Saturday, November 6**

- 8:30 am Mop & Hammer

**Sunday, November 7—All Saints' Sunday**

9:00 am	Holy Communion
10:00 am	Faith Formation Hour
11:00 am	Holy Communion

**TODAY! Reformation Sunday Celebration | Sunday, October 31st, 2021**

Join us in celebration of Lutheran Heritage as we enjoy pretzels, beer, and polka in the Worship Park following the 11:00 am service.

**Supply the Unhoused** | The St. Martin's high school group, in collaboration with the St. Martin's Preschool, is supplying the unhoused with items frequently requested by our visitors. Please bring washed clothing items, umbrellas, blankets, hats, feminine hygiene products and backpacks! Help us help those around us! For more information, contact Cason Miller at [cmiller@saintmartins.org](mailto:cmiller@saintmartins.org).

**All Saints' Sunday | Sunday, November 7th, 2021**

Join us next Sunday as we remember, honor, and celebrate the lives of those who have passed in the last year.

**Save the Date**

***Reception Honoring Steve Wager***

Sunday, November 21, 2021, at 10:00 am

*Thank you to everyone who participated in our fall listening sessions and shared hopes and dreams for our future! They have been inspiring! This initial phase for strategic plan development is nearly complete. A report-out of what was shared will be provided to the congregation soon, followed by workshops to start shaping these ideas into a shared vision.*