

ST. MARTIN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



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ADVENT Morning Prayer

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Watch, for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning, lest he come suddenly and find you asleep.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Officiant and People together,

Most Merciful God , 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 neighbors 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

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father , and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. *Alleluia*

Our King and Savior now draws near: Come let us adore him.

Jubilate

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; serve the Lord with gladness and come

before his presence with a song. Know this: the Lord himself is God,* he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; * give thanks to him and call upon his Name. For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting;* and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

Psalm

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First Lesson

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Canticle #11 The Third Song of Isaiah

Arise, shine, for your light has come,*

and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.

For behold, darkness covers the land;*

deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.

But over you the Lord will rise,*

and his glory will appear upon you.

Nations will stream to your light,*

and kings to the brightness of your dawning.

Your gates will always be open;*

by day or night they will never be shut.

They will call you, The City of the Lord,*

The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.

Violence will no more be heard in your land,*

ruin or destruction within your borders.

You will call your walls, Salvation,*
and all your portals, Praise,
The Sun will nor more be your light by day;*
by night your will not need the brightness of the moon.
The Lord will be your everlasting light, *
and your God will be your glory,
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;*
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen

Second Lesson

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Canticle #16 The Song of Zechariah

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel;*
he has come to his people and set them free.
He has raised up for us a mighty savior,*
born of the house of his servant David.
Through his holy prophets he promised of old,
that he would save us from our enemies,*
From the hands of all who hate us.
He promised to show mercy to our fathers*
and to remember his holy covenant.
This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham,*
To set us free from the hands of our enemies,
Free to worship him without fear,*
holy and righteous in his sight
all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,
for you, will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
To give his people knowledge of salvation *
by the forgiveness of their sins.
In the tender compassion of our God*
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death,*
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy spirit:*
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen

Gospel

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The Homily

The Apostles Creed

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 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

The Peace .

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,

Hallowed by 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,

For ever and ever. Amen

Suffrages A

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;

R. And grant us your salvation.

V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

R. Let your people sing with joy.

V. Give Peace, O Lord, in all the world;

R. For only in you can we live in safety.
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. Your saving health among all nations.
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

Collect of the Day

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Collect for Sunday

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the
Glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord; Give us the day
Such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may
Be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Collect for mission

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of
the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving em-
brace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love,
may bring those who do not know you to knowledge and love of you; for the
honor of your Name. Amen

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them; Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen

Glory to god whose power. Working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Chruch, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Hope

Justice shall flourish in His time, and fullness of peace for ever.

Peace

Lord, come and save us.

Joy

Let the Lord enter; He is king of glory.

Love

Flowers at the altar are gifts from many. If you want to remember someone or are thankful for something, the signup poster is in the entryway.

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