

Saint Martin of Tours Catholic Community, a CACINA Mission

Lector: Our first reading is from the Book of Proverbs.

Yahweh gave birth to me, before the first acts of Creation. I have been from everlasting, in the beginning, before the world began. Before the deep seas, I was brought forth, before there were fountains or springs of water, before the mountains erupted up into place, before the hills, I was born.

Before God created the earth or its fields, or even the first lumps of dirt. I was there when the Almighty created the heavens, and set the horizon just above the ocean, and set the clouds in the sky, and established the springs of the deep, gave the seas their boundaries and set their limits at the shoreline.

When the foundation of the earth was laid out, I was the skilled artisan standing next to the Almighty. I was God's delight day after day, rejoicing at being in God's presence continually, rejoicing in the whole world and delighting in humankind.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Respond: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Lector: O God, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

People Repeat: O God, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

When I behold your heavens, the work of your fingers,
The moon and the stars which you set in place —
What is humanity that you should be mindful of us,
Who are we that you should care for us?

People Repeat: O God, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

You have made us barely less than God,
and crowned us with glory and honor.
You have made us responsible for the works of your hands,
putting all things at our feet:

People Repeat: O God, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

All sheep and oxen,
Yes, even the beasts of the field,
The birds of the air, the fishes of the sea,
And whatever swims the paths of the seas.

People Repeat: O God, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

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Lector: Our second reading is from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans.

Now, since we have been made right in God's sight by our faith, we are at peace with God through our Savior Jesus Christ. Because of our faith, Christ has brought us to the grace in which we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to the day on which we will become all the God has intended. But not only that—we even rejoice in our afflictions! We know that affliction produces perseverance; and perseverance, proven character; and character, hope. And such a hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Respond: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Celebrant chants: Alleluia

People Respond (with chant): Alleluia.

Celebrant: "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says our God, "who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almighty."

People Respond (with chant): Alleluia.

Gospel

Celebrant: Our God is with you.

People Respond: And also, with you.

Celebrant: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

People Respond: † Praise to you, Jesus the Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples:

"I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear to hear it now. When the Spirit of truth comes, she will guide you into all truth. She will not speak on her own initiative; rather she'll speak only what is heard, and announce to you things that are yet to come. In doing this, the Spirit will give glory to me, for she will take what is mine and reveal it to you. Everything that Abba God has belongs to me; this is why I said that the Spirit will take what is mine and reveal it to you."

Celebrant: My friends, the Gospel of the Lord.

People Respond: Praise to you, Jesus the Christ.



Prayers of the People

Celebrant: Having heard the Word of God, let us call upon the God who Created us; His Son, Jesus, who redeems us; and the Holy Spirit who renews us and sanctifies us.

Lector: Our response is “O God, graciously hear us.”

- ✠ For the renewal of relationships: that the life and love of the Trinity will inspire us to learn, grow and share our lives more fully. We Pray, gracious God, hear us.
People Respond: O God, graciously hear us.

- ✠ That world leaders may guide us with wisdom and truth, We Pray, gracious God, hear us.
People Respond: O God, graciously hear us.

- ✠ For all who are suffering from gun violence and war: that God will be in their midst, console those who grieve losses of loved ones, and give eternal life to all who have died. We Pray, gracious God, hear us.
People Respond: O God, graciously hear us.

- ✠ During this month of June Pride, that God will break down barriers and open hearts and minds to love all people as they are and to embrace all LGBTQIA+ identities made in the image of our Creator. May we rejoice in the wonder of all as beautifully and wonderfully made. We Pray, gracious God, hear us.
People Respond: O God, graciously hear us.

- ✠ For healing and strength for all who have been touched by COVID, both those who are ill and those who are tasked with their care, We Pray, gracious God, hear us.
People Respond: O God, graciously hear us.

- ✠ For the unhoused, those with food insecurities and inadequate healthcare, for all who struggle with financial uncertainties and unemployment, for those who are alone in this life and those who have no one to pray for them, and for those who have crossed from this life unmourned, We Pray, gracious God, hear us.
People Respond: O God, graciously hear us.

- ✠ That our merciful God will grant eternal life to all who are approaching death and to all who have died, and especially to those whom we name at this time. We Pray, gracious God, hear us.
People Respond: O God, graciously hear us.

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† We reverently pause to remember all who have asked for prayer and for each one of us to raise up our own personal prayer intentions [Lector, please count to 6]. We Pray, gracious God, hear us.

People Respond: O God, graciously hear us.

Celebrant: Creator God, have mercy on us and hear our prayers. May the love which unites the persons of the Trinity shape our lives and the lives of all people. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Christ, who celebrates life with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

All: Amen.