

**Martin First United Methodist**  
**Worship, Nurture & Serve in Love**  
**Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost      November 14, 2021**

**ENTRANCE**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Bryant Fisher**

**PRELUDE**

**OPENING HYMN**

*O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

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**OPENING PRAYER**

**ANTHEM**

*Eternal Father Strong to Save*

**Choir**

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**Alex Belew (early)/Katie Smith (late)**

**GOSPEL READING**

**Mark 13:1-8**

As Jesus left the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Teacher, look! What awesome stones and buildings!"

Jesus responded, "Do you see these enormous buildings? Not even one stone will be left upon another. All will be demolished."

Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives across from the temple. Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will these things happen? What sign will show that all these things are about to come to an end?"

Jesus said, "Watch out that no one deceives you. Many people will come in my name, saying, 'I'm the one!' They will deceive many people. When you hear of wars and reports of wars, don't be alarmed. These things must happen, but this isn't the end yet. Nations and kingdoms will fight against each other, and there will be earthquakes and famines in all sorts of places. These things are just the beginning of the sufferings associated with the end."

**ACT OF PRAISE**

*Sweet Hour of Prayer*

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**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

**1 Samuel 1:4-20**

Whenever he sacrificed, Elkanah would give parts of the sacrifice to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters. But he would give only one part of it to Hannah, though he loved her, because the LORD had kept her from conceiving. And because the LORD had kept Hannah from conceiving, her rival would make fun of her mercilessly, just to bother her. So that is what took place year after year. Whenever Hannah went to the Lord's house, Peninnah would make fun of her. Then she would cry and wouldn't eat anything.

"Hannah, why are you crying?" her husband Elkanah would say to her. "Why won't you eat? Why are you so sad? Aren't I worth more to you than ten sons?"

One time, after eating and drinking in Shiloh, Hannah got up and presented herself before the LORD. (Now Eli the priest was sitting in the chair by the doorpost of the LORD's temple.) Hannah was very upset and couldn't stop crying as she prayed to the LORD. Then she made this promise: "LORD of heavenly forces, just look at your servant's pain and remember me! Don't forget your servant! Give her a boy! Then I'll give him to the LORD for his entire life. No razor will ever touch his head."

As she kept praying before the LORD, Eli watched her mouth. Now Hannah was praying in her heart; her lips were moving, but her voice was silent, so Eli thought she was drunk.

"How long will you act like a drunk? Sober up!" Eli told her.

"No sir!" Hannah replied. "I'm just a very sad woman. I haven't had any wine or beer but have been pouring out my heart to the LORD. Don't think your servant is some good-for-nothing woman. This whole time I've been praying out of my great worry and trouble!"

Eli responded, "Then go in peace. And may the God of Israel give you what you've asked from him."

"Please think well of me, your servant," Hannah said. Then the woman went on her way, ate some food, and wasn't sad any longer.

They got up early the next morning and worshipped the LORD. Then they went back home to Ramah. Elkanah had sex with his wife Hannah, and the LORD remembered her. So in the course of time, Hannah conceived and gave birth to a son. She named him Samuel, which means "I asked the LORD for him."

**SERMON**

**Amanda Crice**

**APOSTLES CREED**

**Alex (early)/Katie (late)**

**PRAYERS and INTERCESSIONS**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, ..... And so with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

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

Holy are you and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.... And so in remembrance...as we proclaim the mystery of faith. **Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,.... All honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.

**Amen. Amen. Amen. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

### SENDING FORTH

#### HYMN

*O Worship the King*

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#### BLESSING AND POSTLUDE

#### INTERCESSORY PRAYER CONCERNS:

**Ongoing Concerns:** Alex Campbell and Family. Peggy King. Marilucile Counce. Carolyn James. Alliston Stockton. Robert Mancusi. Mary Beard. Kathy Vowell. Tom Harrington. Traci & Rachel Bowlin. Becky Brigance. Frances Brewer. Donna Flynt. Amanda Freeman. Steve McConnell. Angie Damron. Virginia Clendenin, Jerry Brigance. Chris Bowman. Diane Broughton. Charline Freeman. Alan Moody. Billie Sue Walker. John Overcash. Bob Smith. Jill Brigance. Kathy Prewett. Gail Yates. Bishop Bill McAlilly. Superintendent Cynthia Davis. We Care Ministries. UTM Wesley

**Prayers for Friends and Relatives:** Linda & Wally Crider's daughter, Kristi Jones. Amy Todd Brown. Michelle Kimsey. Michael Johnson's father, Jerry Johnson. Renee LaFleur and Ricky Garlitz. Austin Hicks. Caroline Ideus' aunt. Susan Kilgas' father, Lewis Byassee, and her Aunt Margaret Robinson. Steve Kilgas's sister, Carol Hounshel. Debbie Jorge's cousin, Kelli Barnes. Jennifer Snider's sister, Nancy Jones. Kristy Shumake's mother, Brenda Dublin. Jeff and Allison Stockton's parents. Rosemary Coleman's daughter-in-law's mother, Joyce Ashe.

David Murphy. Staci Mancusi's grandmother, Doris Davidson. Glenda Nanney's son-in-law, Michael Hester. Vicki Greer & Family. Angie Damron's son and Dawne Belote's brother, Steve Damron. Mack Thornton's brother-in-law, Butch Henley, and sister-in-law, Linda Cushman. Erica Bell's father, Don Griffin. Peggy King's son-in-law, George Frels and friend, Leslie Justice. Jeff Stockton's friend, Becky Tofte. Jenise Butler's cousin, April. Susan Parr.

**We grieve with** Alex Campbell and his family upon the death of his grandfather, Ronnie Campbell last Saturday.

**As we pray, friends,** let us pray for Angie Damron's son, Steve Damron, to recover quickly from pneumonia. Terry Boyd is recovering from surgery on Thursday.

**Advent Worship** During Advent (Nov. 28-Dec. 26) we'll have **ONE** worship service at 10:00 and Sunday School at 9:00. Together we will prepare for our Savior's birth.

**NOTE: Our Charge Conference will be TODAY at 1:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.**

#### Calendar

##### TODAY

1:00 Charge Conference/Sanctuary

##### Monday, November 15

11:30 Adult Ministry Program/FHall

2:30 ROOTS

7:00 Beyond Just Mercy

Discussion/Zoom

##### Tuesday, November 16

10:00 Parables with a Purpose Study & Meal/FHall

##### Wednesday, November 17

6:45 UMM/FHall

9:30 Bazaar Workshop

6:00 Youth Cue

7:00 10:50 Choir Rehearsal

##### Thursday, November 18

11:30 Home Alone Luncheon/FHall

#### United Methodist Women's Prayer Calendar

Mission Focus—USA United States

Native American Children's Fund—

Assisting approximately 250-300 school-age children with school clothing and offering VBS supplies.

#### United Methodist Women's Prayer Calendar

Mission Focus—International

Israel/Palestine—The Four Homes of mercy—  
Serving people with special needs by providing them with appropriate services and a loving home.

#### Memorials & Honorariums

**Honoring and remembering those we love...**

**Budget in memory of** Tom Flowers

**Budget in honor of** Jane & Richard Guthrie, Mary & Bob Beard

#### Children's Library Who

**Built the Stable** in memory of Ronnie

Campbell; **Child of Bethlehem** in memory of Barbara Castleman