



ST. MARTIN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



This Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Easter



Thank you, Mary!

The Church Council accepted the resignation submitted by Mary Vassalotti and would like to recognize and thank her for her years of service to God and the people of St. Martin's. Mary shared her passion for music in directing the St. Martin's choir and serving as an accompanist for worship services. On behalf of the congregation, the council would like to wish God's peace and blessings to Mary.

Church Locks scheduled to Change Monday April 27th

The new church locks are scheduled to be installed on MONDAY APRIL 27th.

After the lock change your old keys will not work.

New keys are available (to those approved to receive one) for pickup at the office. If you are getting new keys stop by to pick them up on Wed (4/22), Friday morning (4/24), Monday 4/27 or during regular office times thereafter.

If you can't pick up your new keys on one of the scheduled days please contact the office to make other arrangements. (Ph 798-2777 or om@stmartinscp.org)

Church Donor Challenge -- Getting Very Close!

The on-going donor challenge to raise \$10,000 is getting close! Drum roll ***As of April 19th a total of \$8,725 has been donated!***

If you haven't, please consider the challenge – a challenge that inspires us to unify our intent with our God-given abundance. If we meet this challenge we could replace St. Martin's aging furnaces and water heaters this coming summer without borrowing any bank funds! (Please see the display in the narthex for more information.)

If you are ready to meet the challenge, please make checks payable to St. Martin's, and put "donor challenge" in the check memo line. Remember these donations should be considered separate from what you plan to give to the general fund.

Thank you!
St. Martin's Church Council

Mark Your Calendars for a Violin, Viola and Piano Recital on May 31st (3 - 4pm)

There will be a student violin, viola and piano studio recital, accompanied by Nancy Kurr and Stacy Regehr, on the afternoon of Sunday, May 31st (weekend after Memorial Day) from 3 to 4pm at the church. Open to the public, admission is free, so please stop over!

Mark your calendars and stop in to enjoy some beautiful music!



Still need help with Church Directory pictures

So far we have had one volunteer who has stepped forward to help with the new church membership pictures (to be taken June 10th to 13th). The photographer needs 2-4 volunteers who would help coordinate things on this end including publicity, scheduling, photo days, etc.

He would like to meet with volunteers some time this coming week (April 27 - May 2) to go over everything so *if you can help please call or send a note to the office*. Thank you for your help!
Office Ph 798-2777 email om@smartinscp.org

Youth Announcements!

Upcoming youth events:

- **April 25 & 26** - 30 Hour Famine (Starts early Saturday morning, ends Sunday during church)
- **May 3rd** - High School Synod Night at St Martin's (5p - 7p)
- **May 3rd** - Rite of Confirmation Sunday



Infant Care Items Needed -



Infant care items will be collected over the next few weeks for **Global Health Ministries**.

Please place your gently used (or new) newborn cotton t-shirts, stocking caps, cotton receiving blankets (approx 30" x 30"), cloth diapers, diaper pins, wash cloths, bath towels (not longer than 48") and sheets (any

size) in the basket provided in the Narthex.

Pastor will present our gathered kits at the upcoming Synod Assembly.

Suggestion: *Keep this list handy for Trout Days shopping.*

Meet 'n Greet - Sunday May 10th

On Sunday, May 10th, after the service make sure to have some cake and stop and get to know more about Cassie along with our new office manager, Chuck, who will be there along with his wife, Mary. Yes, it is 'Meet n' Greet' Sunday! Home life, pets, other things we do ... ask away!

Cassie was planning to bring her cats (Digit and Rylee) while Chuck was going to bring his pug (Annie), cat (Pumpkin) and pet tarantula (Frankie) but it turns out all of them have other commitments that day. (Yes, very busy pets ... Sorry!)

Bake Sale for Trout Days!

Calling all bakers! Calling all bakers! Get your oven mitts on! **St. Martin's is sponsoring a bake sale for Trout Days.**

The bake sale will be held on Saturday, May 2, at St. Martin's from 10:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.

Please bake your tastiest treats and ***drop them off at the church on Friday, May 1, or early Saturday morning, May 2.*** (Please have your items priced for sale.)

All money collected will go towards supporting the Global Health Ministries mission of putting together infant care kits to be presented at synod assembly in May.

Please support the cause by providing or purchasing baked goods that day!

Pastor Kirsten will need a few volunteers to help her oversee the bake sale on May 2. If you're available, please let her know.




2015 Church Council Goals

- 1. Live into "consent agenda" as part of Church Council meetings*
- 2. Create the framework for a holistic approach to stewardship*
- 3. Review and possibly update St. Martin's Mission Statement*
- 4. Reestablish Buildings and Grounds Team*

The goal of the consent agenda is to more efficiently run the business portion of the Council meetings, which in turn allows more time at the meetings for devotion and worship, along with long- range planning. It packages committee reports, council meeting minutes, treasurer's report, and other noncontroversial items into this agenda. The consent agenda is sent out several days ahead of the scheduled meeting for review by the council members. If any member of the council selects a specific item for discussion, it must be removed and placed on the regular council meeting agenda. The consent agenda is then handled as one item separate from the other business on the agenda.

Stewardship is all about relationships. It's about using our time, talents, and treasures which keeps the church going with ministries that help ourselves, as well as others. And it is about our relationship with God, who helps us along with our own spiritual journey doing the work God wants us to do. Holistic Stewardship transforms the concept of asking for money to one of an "appreciation for joyful giving". Another hopeful outcome of this approach to stewardship is to help St. Martin's strengthen its current ministry teams and missions, and to also reach out with new ones.



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A NEW
CREATION
IN CHRIST.

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MISTAKES
NO LONGER
DEFINE YOU.

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Church Office Hours

Scheduled office hours are:

Mon: 8:30 - 3:30 Tue: 10-2 Wed: 8:30 - 3:30 Thur: 10-2 Fri: 8:30-10:30

Ph: 608-798-2777 Email: om@stmartinscp.org

Church Calendar for April 26 - May 2

Sunday, April 26

8:15 Choir Warm Up MR

9:00 a. Worship S

10:00 a Sunday School FH

7:00 p Sr HS Youth Group

Monday, April 27

Open calendar

Tuesday, April 28

6:30 a. Men's Bible Study L

7:00 - 9 p. Boy Scout Troop 87 LL FH

Wednesday, April 29

7:00p Centering Prayer PG

7:00 p Confirmation - 8th Grade - Night of Sharing with Parents & Families S & FH

7:15 - 8:15 p Choir Practice MR

Thursday, April 30

Open calendar

Friday, May 1

6:00 P - 8:00 - 8th Grade Pre-Confirmation Retreat

Saturday, May 2

9:00 - 11 a. Overeaters Anonymous LL

Sunday, May 3, is Confirmation Sunday

S—Sanctuary; L—Library; B—Building; MR—Music Room; FH—Fellowship Hall; CR—Choir Room; OS—Off Site; N—Nursery; PG—Prayer Garden; GLC—Gunderson Life Center; YR—Youth Room; LL —Lower Level Classroom

Worship Participants for Sunday, April 26

Presiding Minister -- Pastor Kirsten Curtis

Accompanists -- Debbie Miller and Jan Doyle

Song Leaders -- Jason and Alex Niebuhr

Special Music -- Lee Swanson

Musicians -- Brian Graedel

Music -- St Martin's Choir

Greeters -- Bob and Redgy Nelson

Lector -- Maureen Berghoefer

Communion Assistants -- Jon and Tami Roll

Ushers -- Penny Eveland, Matt Wildman

Jr. Usher -- Tess Postle

Acolyte -- Jon Henry Roll

Nursery -- Alicia Houck

Counting Team -- Team 1

Altar Guild -- Debbie Wipperfurth

AV Team -- Phil Fish, Bill Windels

Coffee & Treats -- Doris Fish, Kathy Graedel, Amy Wildman

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