



## This Sunday: Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

I would like to take the next few weeks to answer questions about the Interim time.

The fourth week lets us consider these questions:

### What if things don't go so smoothly?

There are many things that can happen along the way. Sometimes work and health issues delay the Call Committee from completing their work quickly.

Sometimes, the Call Committee is not enthusiastic about their first set of names. Other times the candidate they are most interested in is Called by another church instead. There are even times when the candidate decides to return the Letter of Call instead of accepting it. In all of these cases, the Call Committee then asks the Synod for new names to consider. It is important to know that the Synod will work with you for as long as it takes to find the right candidate.

### Can we suggest a name to the Call Committee?

Yes, you can. This does not guarantee that they will interview your recommended candidate. The Call Committee will give that name to the Synod. The Bishop will contact that person, and ask if they are interested.

### What happens in our church while all of this is going on?

The work and ministry of the church continues throughout this process. Worship services are held, the sick and shut ins are visited, the children are taught.

Pastor Collier



## Pastoral Call Committee Update



**Please remember to take the five minute Congregation Survey to help us match our needs with prospective pastors' gifts.**

You may take the electronic survey by selecting the link below (also on the website), or pick up a paper copy at the church. Please return your completed survey by or before Thursday, February 20th. Be sure to keep updated on Call Committee progress by reading our updates in announcements and on our website located at [stmartinscp.org](http://stmartinscp.org). Call Committee updates are

located in the Community Section (on the left hand side of any page excluding the home page).

[Click here to take survey](#)

Your call committee invites you to contact any of us with your concerns and/or recommendations.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve,

Phil Fish, Chair Call Committee  
608.203.5160 or [pfish@fishassoc.com](mailto:pfish@fishassoc.com)

## A Message from Church Council



Front row/left to right: Greg Hinz, Ron Goplin, & Alan Harper  
Back row/left to right: Karen Windels, Doris Fish & Mark Blaha

"Focus on Possibilities rather than on Problems" was a message that we heard when several from the Church Council attended "Brownies with the Bishop" on Monday evening, Feb. 10th at St. Lukes in Middleton. While we can't ignore our problems, it certainly isn't productive to dwell on them. Therefore, doesn't it make sense to put more energy into the possibilities here at St. Martin's rather than on our problems? While we were blessed to have Pastor Rick here, and we will certainly miss him, it is time to look to the future and the possibilities it holds for us.

One of the ways we can help visualize St. Martin's possibilities is by defining its strengths and needs. This is what your Call Committee is in the process of doing right now. In order for them to do this, they need us to complete the survey. Please take the time to have your voice be heard, and let's turn some possibilities into reality.

### **2014 Church Council Members**

Ron Goplin-President  
Doris Fish-Vice President  
Alan Haper-Treasurer  
Greg Hinz-Secretary  
Mark Blaha-Council Member  
Karen Windels-Council Member  
Interim Pastor Rich Collier-Council Member

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## Free Christian Magic Show



**CHRISTIAN MAGIC SHOW**  
SHATTERING ILLUSIONS TO REVEAL THE TRUTH OF CHRIST

**MORE INFORMATION**  
Next Step Ministries has teamed up with Master Illusionist Harris III for a free, one night magic show. Harris will use the power of illusion to unveil the illusions in your own life while revealing the saving truth of Christ. The magic show will be filmed and shown to thousands of students on Next Step mission trips this summer. This is a family friendly event and open to anyone looking for a fun evening of illusion combined with a powerful Christian message. No RSVP necessary. Just show up and enjoy!

**WHERE**  
The Majestic Theatre  
115 King Street  
Madison, WI 53703

**WHEN**  
Tuesday, February 18th  
6:30 pm — 9:00 pm

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT BETH HENEGHAN**  
608.514.4051 or [beth.heneghan@nextstepministries.com](mailto:beth.heneghan@nextstepministries.com)

## Middleton Outreach Ministry Update

MOM continues to be in need of Winter attire, boots, snow pants and all types of bedding (blankets, sheets, towels). Please bring to church and place in barrel in narthex.



MOM current volunteer needs (volunteer application and interview required):

- o Drivers for Senior Transportation Program (weekdays: 2 hours) – URGENT need
- o Food Pantry/Clothing Center - URGENT need for Friday volunteers
- o Cleaners in the Food Pantry (Afternoons: Mondays thru Thursdays)
- o Seniors Chores (monthly, weekly or as needed)

Help MOM go for the Gold in the Olympic feat to end hunger in the community. Teams are needed to compete in the fourth annual Canstruction Madison, by building structures out of canned and packaged food. The event is held at KEVA Sports Center on May 1, 2014, and team registration is happening now! (flyer below) [canstructionmadison.org](http://canstructionmadison.org)



A BENEFIT FOR  
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 Presented by St. Martin's Episcopal

A COMMUNITY COMPETITION TO END HUNGER

**TEAMS  
 NEEDED!**

PRESENTED BY GODFREY KAHN<sup>SC</sup>



**GO FOR THE GOLD**  
 IN THE OLYMPIC FEAT TO END HUNGER IN OUR COMMUNITY



EMCEE: AMY CARLSON, NBC15

**CELEBRITY JUDGE: LINDSAY TARPLEY,**  
 Internationally known Women's  
 Soccer Player & Olympic GOLD Medalist

MAY 1, 2014  
 KEVA SPORTS CENTER

**CANSTRUCTIONMADISON.ORG**

## Fun at TGIF Night Out



Parents take advantage of a night out while caring providers care for your awesome kids free of charge! Our ministry provides free child care on Friday nights on the last Friday of each month for families in our community who need a night out. Our groups are comprised of infants to children about 10 years old.

Our next event is scheduled for Friday, February 28 from 6 to 10 pm. Please sign up by Wednesday, February 26 by contacting Sharon at [om@stmartinssp.org](mailto:om@stmartinssp.org) or 798-2777.

## Legacy Endowment Fund Update

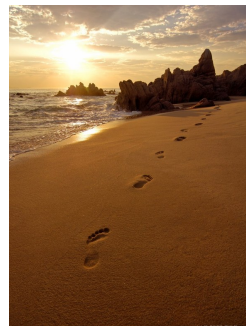
With the Holy Spirit present at our Annual Meeting, the St. Martin's congregation began our journey to establish the St. Martin's Legacy Endowment. Initial efforts by the ad hoc Legacy Endowment Team were recognized. The congregation moved unanimously to approve the formation of the fund, and to begin the process to finalize the mission statement and by-laws efforts.

We are planning to expand the ad hoc team and formalize the process and goals for the Legacy Endowment team. We are looking for interested congregational members to join with the Legacy Endowment Team to contribute in the planning process. Bob Nelson had a chance to meet with Regional Gift Planner from the ELCA Foundation, Pr. Larry Westfield, to explore resources and strategies for process development and promoting planned giving.

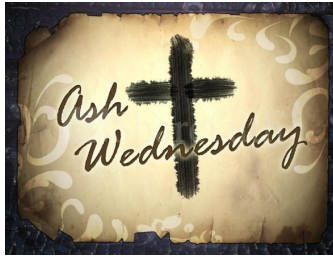
We plan to keep you posted on our activities in the weekly bread and service bulletins. If you have any questions or would like to join our group, please contact Bob Nelson at 798-2964 (home), 516-5655 (Cell), or [rmelson130@charter.net](mailto:rmelson130@charter.net) (e-mail).

In His Service,

Bob Nelson  
 St. Martin's Endowment Legacy Team



## Ash Wednesday Worship March 5 at 7 pm.



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## Lent Worship & Soup Suppers



On Wednesday nights during Lent we will have delicious Soup Suppers in Fellowship Hall at 6 pm. with worship to follow at 6:45 pm.

**Soup Suppers & Worship**  
**March 12, 19 & 26**  
**April 2 & 9**

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## Church Calendar for February 16 - February 22



### **Sunday, February 16**

7:45 a. Choir Practice S  
8:30 a. Traditional Blend Worship  
9:45 a. GIFT Christian Ed FH  
10:15 a. New Rhythm Worship

### **Monday, February 17**

No School Today  
7:00 p. Soul Purpose S  
7:30 p. Narcotics Anon. LL Classroom

### **Tuesday, February 18**

6:30 a. Men's Bible Study  
9:00 a. 4K Kids Arrive  
11:30 a. 4K Kids Depart  
7:00 p. Boy Scout Troop 87 FH

### **Wednesday, February 19**

9:00 a. 4K Kids Arrive  
10:30 a. Staff Meeting  
11:30 a. 4K Kids Depart  
6:30 p. Confirmation Power Night YR  
6:30 p. Call Committee L  
7:30 p. Choir Practice MR

### **Thursday, February 20**

9:00 a. 4K Kids Arrive  
11:30 a. 4K Kids Depart  
6:30 p. New Rhythm Band Practice S  
6:30 p. Sr. High Youth Group YR  
6:30 p. Women's Bible Study L

### **Friday, February 21**

9:00 a. 4K Kids Arrive  
11:30 a. 4K Kids Depart

### **Saturday, February 22**

9:00 a. Overeaters Anonymous LL

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

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## Worship Participants for Sunday, February 16

**Presiding Minister** Pastor Rich Collier

**Accompanist & Musicians** (8:30) Jan Doyle  
(10:15) Soul Purpose

**Song Leaders** (8:30) St. Martin's Choir (10:15)  
Soul Purpose

**Lectors** (8:30) Tom Smiley (10:15) Bill Windels

**Communion Assistants** (8:30) Tom Smiley (10:15)  
Bill Windels, Alan & Patty Harper

**Ushers** (8:30) Jeannie Hering-Schumann & Artis Schulenberg (10:15) Diana & Tess  
Postle

**Acolytes** (8:30) Henry Hartung (10:15) Nick Hinz

**Jr. Usher** (10:15) Jordan Green

**Nursery** Emma Hinz

**Counting Team** 4

**Altar Guild** (8:30) Deb Goplin  
(10:15) Darlene Schulenberg

**AV** (8:30) Jason Niebuhr (10:15) Jeff Postle & Patty Neumueller

**Coffee** Carmen Fowell



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