



For July 29 - Aug. 4 2018

Outdoor Worship at Swanson Property

THIS Sunday -- July 29

Start time is 10:30AM

Lee and Jacqui Swanson have graciously offered to host our outdoor worship service again this summer at their property just outside of Cross Plains.

Please join us for worship on July 29th starting at 10:30AM (Note start time)

Bring a sack lunch to enjoy after the service!

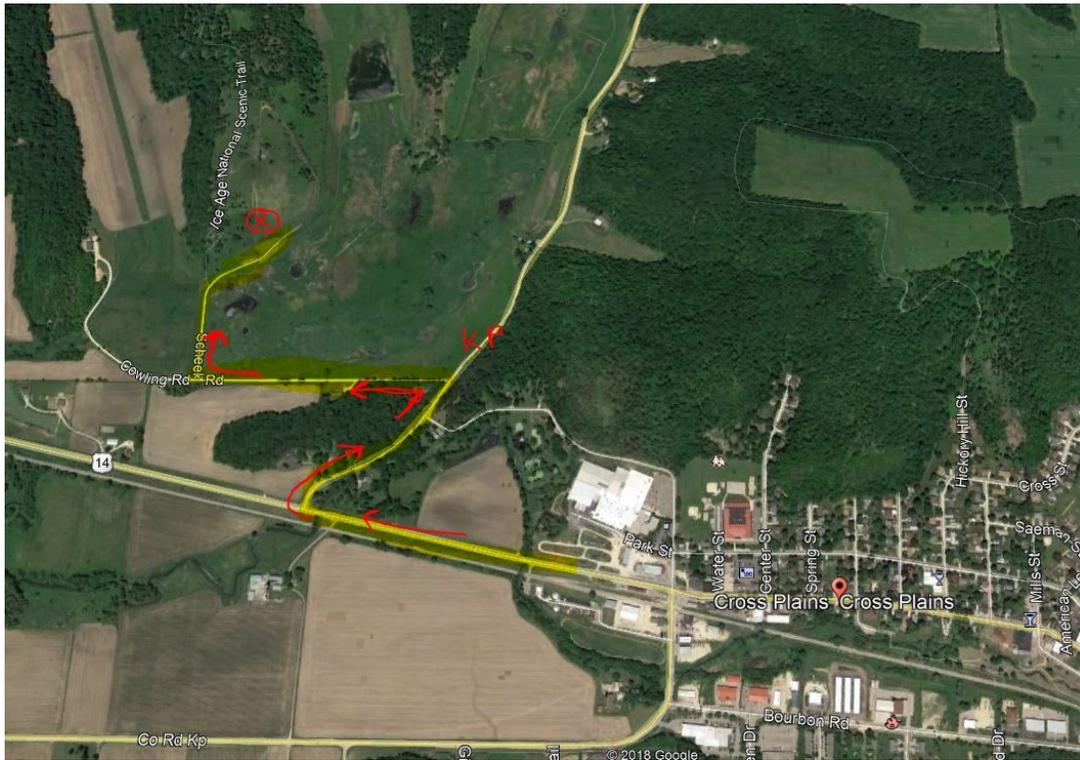
Beverages (water and lemonade) and cookies/bars will be provided. There are picnic tables for seating but feel free to bring a lawn chair as well. A bathroom facility is available at the site. Directions to the property are below and can be found on the small tables in the narthex.

In case of bad weather, please check the church voicemail at 798-2777. Rain date is Sunday, August 5.

Invite a friend or neighbor to worship with us in the midst of God's creation!

DIRECTIONS:

- * From Cross Plains, go WEST on Hwy 14 (towards Black Earth) for about 1/2 mile to Cty KP.
- * Turn RIGHT (north) on KP and drive about 1/3 a mile
- * Turn LEFT (west) on Scheele Rd.
- * Stay on Scheele about another 1/3 mile and turn RIGHT (north) at the 'Ice Age Trail' sign and follow that road to the shelter on the top of the hill.



New Play Set!

St Martin's is happy to continue our relationship with Little Red Preschool this fall. Little Red and St. Martin's partnered together to purchase the new play structure that was recently installed at church. This play structure meets the state requirements for the preschool and will be a safe, durable and fun place for our St. Martin's family for many years!

Farmer's Market — Outreach Into Our Community

There is an opportunity to help at the Cross Plains Farmers Market (2402 Main St., corner Hwy PD & Main) on Wednesdays (4-7pm) during the month of Aug.

Pick a time that works for you and sign up at the Missions Table. Time Commitment options: 30 minutes Set-Up, 30 minutes Take Down, 15 minute Hang Signage & Banner (between 7 & 9 AM) or Kids' Games – However much time you can give (between 1-3 hours). Have a question? Contact Maureen at 798-4820.

You can also stop by and shop the market and enjoy the fun every Wed. 4-7pm!

Font Update—Great News!

In John 3:5, Jesus says, "Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit." St Martin's has been blessed with a wonderful gift! An anonymous donor has generously offered to purchase a new baptismal font for our congregation. A new font

has been on St Martin's 'wish list' for some time due to the age and frailty of the existing font. The donor family has been involved in designing the new baptismal font. The new font design includes a clear glass bowl making the water visible in order to help emphasize the importance of the sacrament of Baptism.

As was mentioned in church recently, the current baptismal font is getting repaired. These repairs will help strengthen the aging font. When the repairs are complete, the font will be returned to the sanctuary and will reside there until the new font is received. When the new font is received, the current plan is to move the existing font to the display case in the lower level of the church. While this baptismal font will always be a part of our church history, it will no longer be in the sanctuary once the new font is in place. Let us all come together and thank God for this beautiful representation of God's promises to us for eternal life. Questions regarding this donation can be directed to any member of Council.

School Backpack Drive

Stop by the Mission Table during June to purchase back to school items for area children from low-income families. Children from pre-K through high school and college will benefit from your generosity. Last year 1,000 children received back pack support through the MOM program. If you would like to do your own shopping, a list of most needed items is provided at the Mission Table. Extra large backpacks for the high school student are in demand. Donations of gently used athletic apparel and equipment are also being collected for the student athletes.

Thank you everyone!

'Incarceration and Sacred Space'

Please join us for a panel discussion -- '*Incarceration and Sacred Space*'

This coming Sunday, July 29 (4- 6 pm)
New Life Church, 7564 Cottage Grove Rd.

A multi-faith panel of religious leaders and people formerly incarcerated will discuss the impact of sacred space on those held in jail. This is an urgent conversation, as the blueprint for the \$76 million Dane County Jail (DCJ) renovation is being finalized. The current plan does not include a designated sacred space.

This event is hosted by the Racial Equity Task Force of the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin - ELCA (Evangelical Lutheran Church in America).

St. Luke's 'Sommer Fest' at Capital Bier Garten

Celebrate and support Feed My Lambs and Weekend Food Program!

Over 150 elementary school children are receiving food bags for the weekend. All free will donations will go to feed our children.

Date: Sunday, August 5th

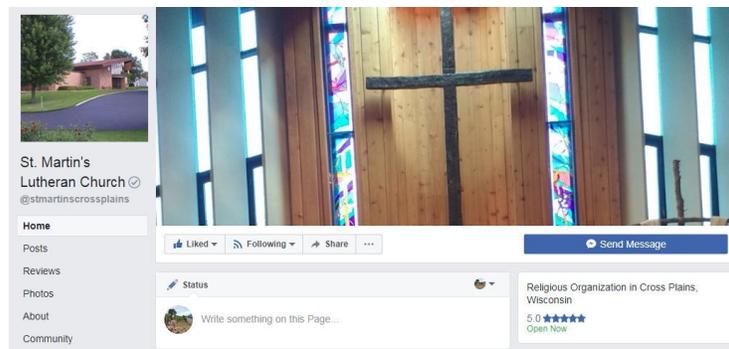
Time: 3 to 5pm

Location: Capital Bier Garten (7734 Terrace Ave., Middleton)

Music by the JED'S (Jeff Rahlwing, Ed Boswell, David Huntsman and James Waldo) with a special appearance by the St. Luke's Praise Band.

Little Library—Need for Children's books!

The Little Library outside the prayer garden is in need of children's books for summer reading. If you have any to donate please place or contact Gail (Gailjmadwi@gmail.com). *Thank you!*



Have an Event for the Church Facebook Page?

Would you like to have an upcoming event promoted, recap an event with a write-up /photo's on our Facebook page? If yes, please email to Gail at gailjmadwi@gmail.com.

Facebook is an additional way to stay in touch, be viewed by members, visitors and others in the community. !

if you haven't, please 'like' the St. Martin's Facebook page! [CLICK HERE --> St. Martin's FaceBook Page](#) and 'Like' the page.

You can go directly to the church Facebook page by typing (on your browser address line): www.facebook.com/stmartinscrossplains



Road Work -- Finish line in sight!

The first layer of paving has been put down on the entire project, the second (last) layer scheduled

for mid-August.

As always, check road closed / detour signs until the road is 'officially open' ... and don't forget you can use the 'back' parking lot entrance (Martin St.) if access is limited at the front.

Looking for updates? Visit the village web page (www.cross-plains.wi.us) or [CLICK HERE](#).

Updates will be posted periodically on the bulletin board by the drinking fountains.

Upcoming Birthdays & Anniversaries

JULY

Birthdays

7/31 -- Tom Johnson, Dylan Klock

AUGUST

Anniversaries

8/12 -- Richard & Gay Haller

8/15 -- Lee & Jacqui Swanson

Birthdays

8/2 -- Mark Richardson, Donette Zander

8/3 -- Ron Goplin

8/4 -- Robert Nelson

8/11 -- Tyler Duhr

8/12 -- Annette Kerl

8/20 -- Savanna Jackson

8/23 -- Susan Nelson

8/29 -- Shirley Starczynski, Ralph Schulenberg, Elizabeth Meier

8/31 -- Karen Wenning

Know of an addition? Correction? Please let the office know (om@stmartinscp.org). Thank you!

Questions? Comments? Concerns?

There's a box for that! A wooden box has been mounted on the wall along hall from Narthex to office, across from drinking fountains, to help with communication between members of the congregation and the Council. Forms are provided next to the box. We welcome all input and ask that you complete all of the fields on the form, including your name, in case clarification or additional information is needed. This is intended to address any questions or concerns people may have for the Council.

Stay Informed!

Monthly Church Council Minutes and Financial Reports can be found in the narthex (on the bulletin board) for your review. Please review, make copies as you would like (but please put the original copies back).

Want to submit something for the bulletin or Weekly Bread?

If yes, please send it to the office (om@smartinscp.org) by 2pm the Wednesday before publication for consideration. Thank you!

Church Calendar

Wondering about meetings at the church (when, where), if a room is available, etc.? Check out the church calendar on the website—www.smartinscp.org. Events are updated on a regular basis. Questions? Send a note to the office (om@smartinscp.org) or call 798-2777.

Church Office Hours & Additional Email Addresses

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

Call ahead if you want to stop by (in case there has been a last minute change).

-- OFFICE: Ph: (608) 798-2777 Email: om@smartinscp.org

-- Church Property Management Team (building & grounds maintenance requests / issues):
Property@smartinscp.org

-- Pastor Jeff: Email: stmlcpastorjeff@gmail.com; Cell: (608) 217-9821

Interim Pastor Contact Information

If you need to contact our Interim Pastor, Jeff Tomberlin, you can call the office (798-2777), call him direct (cell: 608-217-9821) or email him (stmlcpastorjeff@gmail.com).

CHURCH CALENDAR

Also available on the church web site (www.smartinscp.org)

July 29 - Aug. 4

Sunday, July 29

10:30 -- Outdoor worship at the Swanson's (*Yes, start time is 10:30a!*)

Monday, July 30 -- Open Schedule

Tuesday, July 31

6:30a -- 8:00 am -- Men's Bible Study L

Wednesday, Aug. 1 -- Open Schedule

Thursday, Aug. 2 -- Open Schedule

Friday, Aug. 3 -- Open Schedule

Saturday, Aug. 4

8:45a -- Overeaters Anonymous L

S—Sanctuary; L—Library; FH—Fellowship Hall

Have an update? Please send a note to the office (om@smartinscp.org)

Worship Participants

July 29

Presiding Minister -- Pastor Jeffrey Tomberlin

Song Leader – Karen Windels

Special Music — Nancy Kurr, Brian Graedel

Lector / Reader Communion Assistant – Redgy Nelson

Communion Assistants — Bob Nelson, Katie Doyle

Ushers — Dan & Mary Trappe

Counting Team -- Team 5 (Brian Graedel, Kevin Boehnen)

Altar Guild — Deb Goplin

Musicians — Nancy Kurr, Brian Graedel, Bill Windels, Ron Goplin, Karen Windels

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