



St. Martin's 'Weekly Bread' June 28 - July 4 2020

Where all are welcome to worship, to learn, to serve in the name of Jesus Christ.

REOPENING PLANS

As noted earlier, we will not reopen our sanctuary until the county health department has determined that we are in Phase Two of the Forward Dane plan. You can learn more about the Forward Dane plan ([CLICK HERE for Forward Dane Plan](https://publichealthmdc.com/coronavirus/forward-dane)) (<https://publichealthmdc.com/coronavirus/forward-dane>).

Furthermore, regardless of when we move into Phase Two, we will not be reopening until July 5th at the earliest to give our worship team ample time to prepare. Both of these criteria, moving into Phase Two and no earlier than July 5th, must be met before we will resume in-person worship.

When we are able to return to worshipping in person, we will be implementing additional preventative measures. We will be holding multiple services to limit the number of people gathered, all worshipers will be required to wear masks, the pews will be marked to indicate safe distancing, we will not have any congregational singing, we will not be using physical contact or passing the offering plate, and there will be no fellowship time before or after the service. These measures are in accordance with the suggestions from the Wisconsin Council of Churches and the ELCA.

Pastor Maggie and the rest of council recognize that these measures may seem uncomfortable or even disconcerting, and we lament with you that this measures are now necessary. However, we also believe that this is what we must do to protect our community and worship in a way that will keep all of us safe. Perhaps out of this adaptive challenge we might even learn something new!

We will continue to keep you informed as decisions are made about reopening for worship. In the meantime, please contact Pastor Maggie at pastormaggie@stmartinscp.org or 608-515-8618 with questions or concerns.

St. Martin's Emergency Food Pantry (EFP)

St. Martin's Emergency Food Pantry (EFP) will open in early July. Boxes of pre-packaged food will be available to anyone leaving a message on the designated church line which will be checked daily and arrangements made for pick up or delivery within the Cross Plains area. All who request a box will receive contact information and be encouraged to register for the MOM or Heights Unlimited food pantries where ongoing support is available.

The St. Martin's EFP is made possible through a generous grant from LUAD. The Missions Team is currently seeking a limited number of families to pack the first 50 boxes, please contact Maureen at 608 788-4820 (msberghoefer@tds.net) to lend a hand. Thank you, everyone!!

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

Our Sunday morning class is studying the Gospel of John, while our Tuesday evening class is studying the Book of Daniel. All are welcome to join us in our discussion, so please invite your friends!

Until further notice, we will continue to meet online via Zoom. Connection information is below:

--Sundays (10:30 AM). ([CLICK here for SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY ZOOM link](#))

Password "john".

You can also call in at +1 (312) 626 6799, meeting ID # 946 4619 2594.

--Tuesdays (7 PM). ([CLICK here for TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY ZOOM link](#))

Password "daniel".

You can also call in at +1 (312) 626 6799, meeting ID # 996 0228 6175.

Prayer List

Please pray for:

--Those who promote racial justice, that their voices be heard and their cause amplified without resorting to destructive means of securing justice;

-- Those who have lost their homes or livelihoods due to neighborhood riots, that peace be restored, that blame not be misdirected at those who protest with nonviolence, and that opportunists who seek to diminish the cause of peaceful protestors be suppressed;

--The lives and loved ones of Ahmed Aubrey, Breonna Taylor, George Floyd, Tony McDade, and all other people of color who have been killed at the hands of police violence, that their deaths will not be forgotten and that God's justice for them will prevail;

-- All law enforcement agencies, that they be safe as they continue their work of protecting all people, including those marching for justice, that they be guided by love and compassion for those they serve and not use their power to promote violence or prejudice, that they continue to seek ways to protect their communities honorably and peacefully;

--For an end to the COVID-19 global pandemic, especially all medical teams and researchers who are still at work fighting the virus and finding a vaccine, that lifesaving information not be distorted for political means, and for recent gatherings and reopenings to not give way to a resurgence of outbreaks;

--Those who have passed away, especially Bobby Ragan and his loved ones;
--Those who are ill, hospitalized, or recovering, especially Norm Esser, Brian Graedel, Melissa Graedel, Jeannie Hering-Schumann, Elda Meier, Tom Meier, Bob Windels, Eric and Sara;
--Those who are homebound, especially Irene Brockmann, Shirley Coulson, Lucille Hoffmann, Arline Schmidt, and Gary Trappe.

Weekly Happenings at St. Martin's!

Here is a rundown of what to look forward to in the next few weeks:

Sunday morning worship live on Facebook (9am). Videos will be posted on YouTube for later viewing.

Sunday Bible study (10:30am).

Sunday evening Youth Group (7pm) on Zoom (Contact Lars to join)

Tuesday Bible study (7pm)

Wednesday afternoon Qigong (2pm) with Sandy Salvo on Zoom. Contact Sandy at sandy@centered-connections.com for more information (and see note, below).

Wednesday night devotional (7pm) live on Facebook.

Every day at 1 PM join us in Spirit for prayer. *This is not an online event, just take a moment wherever you are, whatever you are doing, to join with the St. Martin's community in prayer.*

Stay tuned for more updates, new information on upcoming readings!

This too shall pass, and when it does we shall celebrate the glory of the resurrection with a renewed understanding of what it means to have new life in Christ who left the tomb. In the meantime, we are still God's people and we still here for each other.

Youth & Family Ministry

Did you know Next Step Ministry is offering a potential local mission opportunity for high school-aged youth groups? The details of this proposal will be clarified soon. Please contact me via email if there are any questions involving this.

Other notes:

-- Sugar Creek notified congregations that their summer camp season will now be shortened and will begin on **Sunday, July 12th.**

Our YFM team had agreed on two possible weeks for our St. Martin's youth to attend, and both of them would still be available, being the weeks of July 19th-24th & August 2nd-7th. *If you are still interested, please be sure to visit their website and sign up. Have them bring a friend!*

-- High schoolers have been meeting weekly on Sunday evenings for Zoom sessions which have included general conversation, game nights, and devotional conversations. We are currently

working to see if there are any local mission opportunities that our students can participate in.

During these times of uncertainty remember that the power of connection and prayer is still very strong during all of this!

I want to wish everyone the safest wishes, and know that each of you are called by name, and that you are His, even during times of chaos.

God's Peace,
Lars Haskins
Youth and Family Ministry Coordinator

Keep in touch with Congregation!

Do you have a submission for the Weekly Bread? Want to let people know what is going on -- church team, event, something else?

If yes, please submit by 2pm the Wednesday before publication for consideration. We are trying to keep everyone informed but need updates to do that! Thank you!

Watch live Sunday Worship Services on Facebook!

If you aren't able to make the live worship on Facebook (Sunday mornings, 9am), feel free to watch the videos on YouTube (posted after service) or by following the links on our church website.

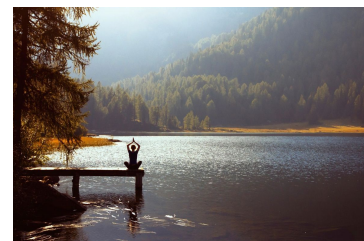
For Facebook: ([click here for Facebook live link](#))

Youtube:(videos posted after live event): ([click here for YouTube](#))

Links are also available on the church website: Stmartinscp.org ([Click here](#))

Qigong

Qigong ... *Gentle movement that will stimulate the immune system and help relieve anxiety during these uncertain times, done standing or seated and requires no equipment or special skill. All ages can enjoy and benefit!*



Sandy has transitioned to different hours for the summer (online and at Marshall Park) with a suggested fee for those who are able.

For more details, she can be reached at sandy@centered-connections.com

Flu Prevention

Wash your hands frequently ... Use hand sanitizer frequently ... Avoid touching your face ... Sneeze and cough into a tissue or your elbow ... Use a face cover if going out in public ... Avoid crowds and standing near others ... Stay home if you think you might be sick ... When in doubt consult with a healthcare professional.

As always, if you feel unwell or think you might be contagious, we encourage you to stay home.

Health Links:

More information can be found on the CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) web site: [CDC - COVID-19 Info](#)

or

World Health Organization ('WHO'): [WHO COVID-19 Info Page](#)

Ways to continue Giving

Here are some ways you can continue your support

- Try the old tried and true method - *snail mail!* That's right, mail your check in! (2427 Church St., Cross Plains, 53528)
- Drop off your contribution by using the locked box by the office door. No need to come in contact with anyone and it gets you out of the house for a few minutes. Someone will check this box daily.
- Contact your bank and ask them to help you with online banking. Most banks will send out a check as you direct them to. Most will even pay for the stamp!
- Try Give Plus. Yes, there's an App for that and it's FREE. Easy to use prompts help you get set up easily, quickly. There's no fee to you and a small fee to the church.
- Paypal -- We have PayPal set up on our website. You do not have to have PayPal account of your own.
- Direct Deposit. Many of you already use this method. If you wish to set this up, contact our bookkeeper, Lois Weiland, by calling 608-220-3123.

Questions? Call Lois!

Prayer List

If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please call/email Pastor Maggie (pastormaggie@stmartinscp.org) or the office manager (om@stmartinscp.org). Names will stay on the list for six weeks unless otherwise indicated by the prayer requester. Prayer requesters are responsible for making sure their loved ones are placed and remain on the list. *Thank you for your help in praying for those in need!*

Stay up-to-date with Synod Newsletter '*What Matters*'

Stay connected to synod happenings, news, & events! To receive copies of the electronic

newsletter 'What Matters', email Assistant to the Bishop for Media, Communications & Leadership Development, Deacon Vicki Hanrahan (vickih@scsw-elca.org) and asked to be added ... *a great way to find out what is happening in the synod!*

Birthdays & Anniversaries

JUNE

Birthdays

6/27 Veronica Kurr

6/28 Cole Klock

JULY

Birthdays

7/1 Chase Rogers

7/3 Sabrina Bartlett

7/6 Tami Roll

7/9 Jenni McCulloh

7/10 Lorren Hoffmann

7/11 Joleen Schreiber

7/12 Eliana Roenneburg

7/13 Linda Knudtson, Tyler Acker

7/15 Ann Boehnen, Haley Schreier

7/16 Douglas Fowell

7/20 Arline Schmidt

7/22 Ed Neumueller, Pam Acker

7/23 Thomas Rhude, Nathan Schreiber

7/24 Rebecca Wendt

7/26 Jocelyn Green

7/29 Amy Wildman

7/31 Dylan Klock

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

Pastoral Care During COVID-19

During this time, all in-person visits are suspended, save for emergency situations. But that doesn't mean that we aren't here to provide support! Pastor Maggie is available for private phone calls or Zoom meetings.

If you would like to make an appointment, please call/text her cell at 608-515-8618 or send her an email at PastorMaggie@stmartinscp.org.

Church Office Hours & Email Addresses

Office hours:

Please call ahead (to make sure someone is there) if you want to stop by.

OFFICE Phone: (608) 798-2777

OFFICE Email: om@stmartinscp.org

Property Management Team (building & grounds maintenance requests / issues):

Property@stmartinscp.org

-- Todd (building manager) can be reached at 444-6765.

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

Church Calendar Wondering about meetings (if happening, when, where), if a room is available (when COVID restrictions are lifted), etc.? *Check the church calendar on the website—* www.stmartinscp.org. Events are updated on a regular basis. *Questions?* Send a note to the office (om@stmartinscp.org) or call 798-2777.

CHURCH CALENDAR

All events are subject to change, especially with COVID-19 Virus restrictions. Calendar is also available on the church web site (www.stmartinscp.org)

Sunday, June 28, 2020

-- 9:00a -- Sunday Worship. Live on Facebook. Check website for links: www.stmartinscp.org

-- 5:30p -- Narcotics Anonymous (library)

Mon., June 29 -- Open Schedule

Tues., June 30 -- Open Schedule

Wed., July 1 -- Open Schedule

Thur., July 2

-- 6:30pm -- AA Meeting (library)

Friday, July 3 -- Open Schedule

Saturday, July 4 -- *Happy 4th of July!*

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

Worship Participants

On-Line! Check church website for links: www.stmartinscp.org

Presiding Pastor -- Pastor Maggie

Video Team -- Geoff Peterson

Remember - *Pastor Maggie is available!* If you would like to talk to her or make an appointment, please call / text her cell at (608) 515-8618 or send her an email at PastorMaggie@stmartinscp.org.

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