



## ***Week of June 5 - 11 2016***

### **Pastor Kirsten surgery -- June 13th**

Pastor Kirsten is scheduled to have her second surgery on Monday, June 13th. (Moved back from June 6th.)

The procedure involves spending two or more days in the hospital, and then discharge home, where she will need a few weeks of recovery. *She cares very deeply about everyone but 'doctor's orders' are to focus on recovery so she will have very limited outside contact during recovery time.*

*Please keep her in your prayers!*

### **Homeless Shelter (Thursday, June 9th)**

Volunteers are needed to help serve at the Madison Homeless Shelter on Thursday, June 9th (provide food or serve). Meet at the church at 6:30p. Signup sheets are on the bulletin board in the Narthex. If you have any questions contact Doris Fish (cell: 608-279-5418).

### **HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH BUY-A-SHARE CONTINUES!**

On Sunday, May 22nd, our High School Youth raised nearly \$1,700 (!) for their mission trip to Long Island, NY. *The fund raising continues as we meet our \$2,000 goal.*

*You can still buy-a-share in the Narthex after worship next Sunday, June 5th! Don't miss this important opportunity to support our youth.*

### **Help Needed for the Kirikov Family**

Perhaps you met Alex and Hilary Kirikov's new twin boys last Sunday at church. Besides being adorable, they are doing the usual things 7 week old babies do best – eating lots, sleeping not as much, demanding to be held, and generally practicing being needy!

The Kirikov's have no family in the area to support them at this time, so the timing is perfect for St. Martin's family to step in and assist! If you would like to go over and help Hilary during the day, you may call her at 612-203-1653. If you would like to help supply a meal (no food allergies or preferences) please sign up on the sheet designated "Meal Assistance" in the narthex.

*Hilary says any and all help is needed and very much needed and appreciated!*

## **Prayer Message from Pastor Jack**

Sometimes it makes sense to fold our hands when we pray. Folded hands in prayer are helpful when we have something that is more than we can handle--forgiving, strength in tragic times, an addiction, etc. One hand represents our intention, our part, our willingness. The other hand represents God's Power, Guidance, Strength. So you say, "OK, God, we are going to have to work on this one together" --hence folded hands. God's part and our part working together. Prayerfully,  
Pastor Jack

## **St. Martins Legacy Endowment Fund**

On **Sunday, June 5th** we have invited Rev Larry Westfield, a regional gift planner of the ELCA, to give a temple talk (at end of service) as a way of further introducing our Legacy Endowment Fund at St. Martins. He will stay after service to answer any questions. We will also be introducing Legacy topics in the Weekly Bread, at future temple talks, and at a special seminar that will be offered on Saturday November 5th, to be repeated again on Tuesday November 8th. The seminar will have professionals on hand to show many ways to contribute gifts to the Legacy Endowment Fund (LEF) with tax advantages.

The purpose of LEF is to enhance the mission of St. Martins Lutheran Church apart from the general operation of the congregation. Gifts to this Endowment Fund ensure the continuation of the many ministries and missions of St. Martins into the future. It is the intent that distributions from the Fund shall not be used for the annual operation budget of the Congregation.

Consider give a gift which will change lives for generations to come. Gifts to the Fund can come in many different asset forms such as Cash, Investment Accounts, Stocks, Bonds, Mutual Funds, Retirement Plans, Insurance, Personal Property, Real Estate, Business Ownership Interest and other Assets. The Endowment Board is here to help you carry out your legacy wishes and oversee investments in the Fund.

Checks can be made to St. Martin's Lutheran Church Legacy Endowment Fund. To arrange a personal and confidential visit, or to learn more, please contact the Office or email [LEF@stmartinSCP.org](mailto:LEF@stmartinSCP.org)

Please note that the LEF is NOT part of any other St Martins capital campaigns or SHOULD NOT replace regular offerings to St Martins.

St. Martin's Legacy Endowment Fund is a new opportunity to strengthen St. Martin's faith journey for the future through legacy giving. The faith of tomorrow blooms from the seeds of today.

In Christ,  
James Hartung

## **MOM Volunteer Opportunities**

For anyone looking for opportunities to serve in your community, the following are the current volunteer needs at the Middleton Outreach Ministry (MOM):

Food Pantry Cleaning Volunteer  
Mobile Food Pantry Volunteer  
MOM Garden Mentors  
Clothing Center Volunteer  
Senior Program – Drivers and Volunteers to assist with chores/housekeeping for those 60+

*If you are interested in any of these opportunities you can check the MOM website at [momhelps.org](http://momhelps.org) or call Volunteer Coordinator Joan McGovern at 826-3409. Thank you!*

## **Youth and Family Ministry Coordinator Position**

St. Martin's is seeking to hire a half-time, Youth and Family Ministry Coordinator who can work effectively with children of all ages.

The purpose of this position is to direct and coordinate a comprehensive and expanding ministry for our children, youth and families. This position will work with Pastor, our Youth and Family Ministry Team, parents and other lay ministers.

Send or email a cover letter and resume to St. Martin's Lutheran Church, 2427 Church St, Cross Plains, WI, 53528 or [om@stmartinscp.org](mailto:om@stmartinscp.org). A job description can be viewed on our web site, [stmartinscp.org](http://stmartinscp.org). (Or call Deb McCue – 798-3294)

## **Mission Opportunity: Jail Ministry Liaison**

Could your calling be communicator between St Martin's and the prison program of the MALC (Madison Area Lutheran Council)?

You would: 1) Pray for the prison ministry 2) Attend the annual liaison meeting held in fall. 3) Attend annual meeting held in winter 4) Promote events of the ministry in the bulletin and Weekly Bread.

A little of your time would go a long way to bring more awareness to St Martin's of the MALC. Please contact Maureen - [msberghoefer@tds.net](mailto:msberghoefer@tds.net) for more information.

## **CaringBridge for Bobby Rogers**

A CaringBridge Site was created for Bobby Rogers. We will use this online space to share health news, and you can write messages of encouragement in return. Please visit often to keep updated and show your support.

Visit:

Site Link: [www.caringbridge.org/visit/bobbyrogers](http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/bobbyrogers)

Site Name: bobbyrogers

*CaringBridge is a nonprofit offering trusted spaces where family and friends can connect and share during any type of health event.*

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## May 2016 Financial Snapshot for Saint Martin's Lutheran Church

**Service Receipts:** (the negative number below means we are behind budget, which is not good)

Budget YTD offering receipts = \$101,064.00  
Year-to-date offering receipts = \$ 80,014.25  
-\$ 21,049.75

**Total Income:** (again, the negative number below is not good)

Budget YTD Income = \$132,644.00  
Year-to-date Income = \$ 97,418.07  
-\$ 35,225.93

**Expenses:** (the negative number below is good - we are not spending as much as we budgeted for)

Budget YTD expenses = \$132,592.00  
Year-to-date expenses = \$ 98,445.14  
-\$ 34,146.86

Our expenses through April are below our budgeted amount; however our service receipts are substantially below budget. Service receipts from our monthly/weekly offerings make up 90% of our income. While we are holding the line on expenses, we are having to dip into our cash reserves to make up the deficit. This is not a wise long term plan. Additionally, with summer approaching, giving tends to taper off; you may be planning your family vacations, but our bills do not take a vacation.

Above all, our giving to St. Martin's and to God should come from the heart and out of thankfulness for what He provides for us. As you pray about your giving plan to St. Martin's, please consider regular, automatic contributions, as it helps even out the peaks and valleys of cash flow.

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## Office Coverage Help Needed ...

During Pastor Kirsten's recovery time we are looking for help with office and phone coverage on Tue. & Thur (10a-noon). Please contact the office (798-2777 or om@smartinscp.org) or sign up on the sheets in the Narthex. Call ahead if you want to stop by to make sure someone is at the office.

## 'Simply Giving' direct deposit ...

**Interested in using Direct Deposit for your church giving?** You can find authorization forms (the 'Simply Giving' program) in the Narthex, under the Stewardship section, far right. If you would like a form emailed to you, contact the office and we will send one.

There is also a link for this form on the home page of the website ([www.stmartinscp.org](http://www.stmartinscp.org)).

## 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@stmartinscp.org

-- Pastor Kirsten: PastorKirsten@stmartinscp.org

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

## Pastor Finney contact information --

Pastor Jack can be reached at 608-873-6514 or jjfinney1962@gmail.com. Since he lives a distance, if you need immediate attention, you can call our emergency contact pastors: Pastor Rob Nelson, New Heights Lutheran W: 608-767-2247 or C: 608-513-0032. Pastor Barry Hoerz Vermont Lutheran W: 608-767-3312 C: 608-370-3100 (vermontlutheran.org).

## Church Calendar for June 5 - 11 2016

Upcoming Schedule (Also available on the church web site - [www.stmartinscp.org](http://www.stmartinscp.org) - and in the Weekly Bread):

### **Sunday, June 5**

\* 9:00a -- Sunday Worship

\* 6:30p -- HS Youth Group YR

**Monday, June 6** -- Open Schedule

### **Tuesday, June 7**

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

\* 7:00p - 9:00 pm -- Boy Scout Troop 87 LL FH

**Wednesday, June 8** -- Open Schedule

**Thursday, June 9** -- Open Schedule

\* 6:30p -- Centering Prayer G

**Friday, June 10** -- Open Schedule

### **Saturday, June 11**

\* 9:00a -- 10a 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; K - Kitchen

## Worship Participants - June 5, 2016

Presiding Minister -- Pastor Jack Finney  
Accompanist -- Debbie Miller  
Song Leader -- Jason Niebuhr  
Special Music -- Karen Windels  
Greeters -- Bob & Redgy Nelson  
Lector / Reader -- Cheryl Hartung  
Communion Assistants -- James Hartung, Patty Harper  
Ushers -- Donna Bloomer, Frank Durham  
Acolyte -- Elizabeth Boehnen, Henry Hartung  
Counting Team -- Team 5 (Brain Graedel, Kevin Boehnen)  
Altar Guild -- Deb Wipperfurth  
AV Team -- James Hartung, Paul Schluter  
Coffee & Treats -- Jeannie Hering-Schumann

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