



Week of Nov 8 - Nov 14 2015

Choir practice -- Sunday mornings, 8AM

New day, new time. (No longer Wed evenings.)

Join us Sunday mornings, before service for music practice.

All are welcome!

Time - 8:00am (Sunday mornings, before church service)

Location - Music Room

Please update your Time & Talant info ...

Please stop by the table in the Narthex to update your Time & Talent Sheet for the upcoming year.

Blank forms are provided for those who have not yet had an opportunity to complete. "God's work, our hands."

Toby Mac in Concert!! Sunday, Nov 8th

Toby Mac

In concert, with *Britt Nicole, Colton Dixon and Hollyn*

Sunday, Nov 8th

7:00pm

Alliant Energy Center Coliseum

For tickets or more information call (608) 267-3995 or check web site www.life1025.com

Christmas Program Meeting -- Nov 15th

Sunday School Parents –

Please plan to meet after church on Sunday, Nov. 15th to talk about this year's Christmas program.

See you there!

Care Packages for College Students

If you have a college student, *please submit his or her name and address to the office* (om@stmartinscp.org) *by Thanksgiving, along with the date they will have this semester's finals.* St. Martin's would like to send a care package to support them as they wrap up the semester.

If you would like to help out with this great ministry opportunity, please bring in items for the care packages: all snack items - cookies/bars, gum, crackers, trail-mix, popcorn, raisins, licorice or other candy, etc.

Have items to church by Tuesday, December 1st. Home-baked goods are great, too! Just bake your treats on Tues or Wed and drop them off on the *day of packaging – Wed. December 2.*

Join the Confirmation students in the fun of putting the care packages together on Wednesday evening, December 2, starting at 6:30 P.M.

Please let Pastor Kirsten know if you are able to help assemble the care packages.

Fall Book Club book – 'Just Mercy, a Story of Justice and Redemption'

This fall, the Book Club will be reading *Just Mercy*, a *Story of Justice and Redemption*, written by Bryan Stevenson.

One description of this moving story - "*Just Mercy is at once an unforgettable account of an idealistic, gifted young lawyer's coming of age, a moving window into the lives of those he has defended, and an inspiring argument for compassion in the pursuit of true justice.*"

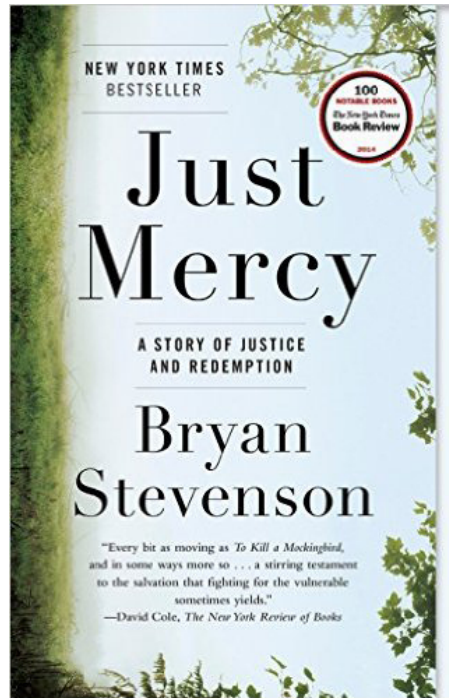
Pick up a copy of your own and begin reading. Then join our next discussion night:

Tuesday, November 17 (library)
Start at 6:30 P.M.

Attend one or both of the discussion nights.

This is also the UW – Madison “Go Big Read” book, so there are a number of opportunities to discuss the book with people outside our community, in the Madison and surrounding areas.

Check out the schedule of events at <https://today.wisc.edu/events/tag/Go%20Big%20Read> and read more at <http://news.wisc.edu/24000> .



Let's study the Bible!

When? November 8, 15 & 22nd

Where? Library

What Time? 10:45, after worship and coffee fellowship

Why? *To encounter God through the living Word and grow in our faith together.*

Confirmation Extravaganza!

Confirmation students attended *Confirmation Extravaganza*, sponsored by the synod, which was held at the Alliant Energy Center in Madison.

It was a great night of hearing faith stories from leaders in our synod, including our very own Bishop Mary Froiland.

Kids had an opportunity to interact with about 1,000 other young people and experience faith formation opportunities through hands-on learning opportunities.

It was a great night of faith formation, along with fun and fellowship. Ask a confirmation student to share a highlight from the night.



Calling all (holiday!) Bakers!!

The Annual **Holiday Cookie Walk Sale** is fast approaching -- *Saturday, Dec 5th, 9am-11am.*

The success of the sale is having your home baked holiday favorites available to sell.

Please drop your cookies off on Friday, Dec. 4th (fellowship kitchen) from 4:30pm-6pm or 8am on the morning before the sale starts.



Please mark containers with or without nuts.

Your contributions are greatly appreciated!

Questions or to volunteer contact Gail Johnson at 575-0170.

Messiah and More!
24th ANNUAL CONCERT

Sunday, November 15 at 3:30 p.m.
Queen of the Rosary Chapel

Mark Bloedow, Artistic Director

Special Guests


- ◆ Madison Area Community Chorus
- ◆ Tri-state Choral Society Members
- ◆ Camerata String Quartet
- ◆ Ringing Badgers Handbell Ensemble

Come join us for seasonal favorites,
Handel's Christmas Messiah, and Hallelujah Chorus

Admission \$10 at the door

Sinsinawa Book & Gift Gallery will be open through intermission
Mound bread and rolls available for purchase
Parking lot shuttle service provided

608-748-4411


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Promoting racial equality

Interested in finding out more about how to promote racial equality? Do you want to live out your baptismal promises of caring for others and working for justice and peace?

I am looking for a group of 10-15 people to commit to a year-long journey, studying a resource that the ELCA has published called "*Troubling the Waters for Healing of the Church*." It is defined as a journey for white Christians from privilege to partnership.

If this sounds interesting to you, and you would like to sign up or find out more, please contact Pastor Kirsten.

The **start date for the group is November 29**, the first Sunday of Advent. I look forward to this journey with you.

Upcoming Opportunities for Involvement at St. Martin's

Consider being involved in these activities at St. Martins --

November 12: Cross Plains business fair (at St. Francis). We will have a table there.

November 15: Commitment Sunday

November 22: Wishes for the Giving Tree will be available for pickup

November 25: (Wed.) Combined Thanksgiving service at St. Francis

November 28: (Sat.) Church Christmas season decorating

December 5: Holiday Cookie Walk Sale

December 13: Caroling

December 16: Serve at the homeless shelter

Also, put together food packages for finals week on campus.

'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).

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

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

-- Pastor Kirsten: PastorKirsten@stmartinscp.org

-- Youth Director: Youth@stmartinscp.org

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

Church Calendar for Nov 8 - Nov 14 2015

Sunday, Nov 8

8:00a - Choir Practice (note new date, time!)

9:00a - Sunday Worship / Sunday School

10:45a - Bible Study L

12p - 5pm - Crafts Group FH / K

Monday, Nov 9

9:30a - 1p - Quilting Group FH

6:30p-8:30p - Berry Hist. Soc FH

Tuesday, Nov 10

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

6:30p - TLC L

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

Wednesday, Nov 11

6:30p - Confirmation

Thursday, Nov 12

4:00p - 6:30p - Cross Plains Business Fair (St. Xavier)

6:30p - Centering Prayer L (moved from S)

Friday, Nov 13 — Open Schedule

Saturday, Nov 14

9:00 - 10 am Overeaters Anonymous LL

SUNDAY 15th -

8:00am Choir Practice

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 11.8.2015

Worship participants for this week are listed below. Thank you!

Presiding Minister -- Pastor Kirsten Curtis

Accompanist -- Debbie Miller

Song Leader -- Karen Windels

Greeters -- Jeff & Debbie Miller

Lector / Reader -- Maureen Berghoefer

Communion Assistants -- Jon & Tami Roll

Ushers -- Steve & Patty Hillebrand

Acolyte -- Joelle Jackson, Gus Wenning

Counting Team -- Team 3 (Mike & Kay Calvin, Alan & Patty Harper)

Altar Guild -- Darlene Schulenberg

Altar Flowers -- (open)

AV Team -- Alan Curtis, Jason Niebuhr

Coffee & Treats -Danna Fuhrman family, Dorothy Howell family, Greg Hinz family

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