



## ***St. Martin's 'Weekly Bread' for Nov. 11-17 2018***

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### ***Meal Train -- Additional dates added!***

The Greens moved into an apartment in Cross Plains on Nov. 8th and would greatly appreciate 'Meal Train' meals **through at least mid-December**.

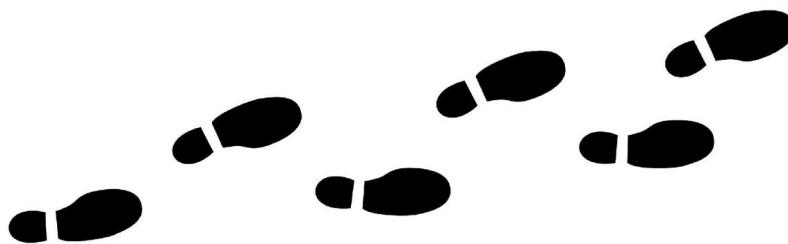
Please check status of the meal train and sign up for new dates which will be Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, by going to <https://mealtrain.com/vw2eqy> or [CLICK HERE](#) (*And please watch for future requests.*)

*Thank you again, everyone!!*

#### **Food drop-off:**

Drop off is at the church, please remember to come during regular office hours (and enter building from upper level as lower level doors are locked). If you need to arrange something else, contact Jenny Niesen, Church Council President (798-2132 or [mjniesen@juno.com](mailto:mjniesen@juno.com)) ... and don't forget to include note who meal is from and any special heating instructions. *Thank you!*

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### **Step by Step - Step up to Volunteering**

Proverbs 16:9 *The human mind plans the way, but the Lord directs the steps.*

Welcome to the St. Martin's Stewardship campaign. In the first quarter of our game, the challenge was to complete an Information Card. Then in the second quarter, we asked you to Step Up your

Faith.

Now, we're in the third quarter and this week, we challenge you to Step Up your volunteering. Click here ([Time & Talent](#)) for the newly revised 'Time & Talent' form. Please note that we have one for adults and one for children. Please indicate all the areas where you can offer your unique talents.

*Can you Step Up and add one more item?* Many of these require little or no training and can also be done in a short period of time. We need your help to win the game. Please return your form next Sunday and be sure to pick up an "I Stepped Up" sticker and wear it proudly.

It's not too late to get into the game and *Step Up!*

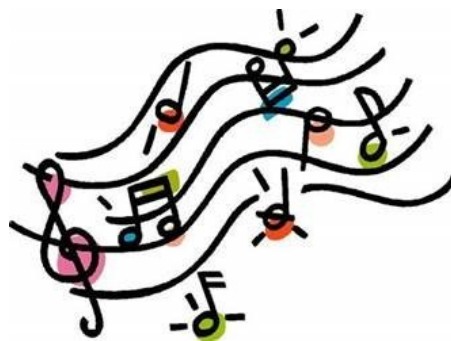
The Stewardship Team – Tom Johnson, Ryan McCulloh, Lois Weiland, Karen Windels, Maureen Berghoefer



## Mission Team

To educate members of the congregation on local, regional and global social issues and create opportunities for involvement.

Team consists of Maureen Berghoefer (leader), Kathy Graedel, Jan Doyle, Jeff Miller, Kay Meier, Doris Fish, Phil Fish, Bob Nelson, Deb McCue and Ralph Schullenberg.



## Hello, Choir People!

St. Martin's will be hosting Thanksgiving Eve Service (Wed., Nov. 21st, 7pm) jointly with St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church this year, and we would again like to have anthems from a joint

choir.

Two very familiar choir anthems have been selected - "*God Is So Good*" and "*I Will Give Thanks*", and we have copies of both in our music library.

**Our next rehearsal will be Sunday morning, Nov. 11th at 8am (before service).**

On Thursday evening, Nov. 15th, we are invited to attend the St. Francis choir rehearsal at 6:30 p.m. to combine choirs for the first time -- should take about 30 minutes. We'll rehearse the last time just prior to the Thanksgiving Eve service (Nov. 21) at 6:30 p.m. with the combined choirs.

BUT WAIT! We're also planning on offering one of those anthems on Sunday, November 18th, so even if you can't be present on Thanksgiving Eve, please come and rehearse and sing on 11/18! It will be great to gather together and praise God with choral music again!

*Thanks to all for participating!!*

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## **Poinsettias!**

*Order Holiday Poinsettias by Dec. 2nd!*

It is time to place your order for poinsettias for our Christmas garden.

Cost is just \$14 per plant. Order Forms are available on the tables in the Narthex.

*Deadline for orders is Dec. 2nd.*

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# *Holiday Cookie Sale*



**Saturday, December 1st**

**9am - 11am**

**St. Martin's Lutheran Church, Cross Plains**

**Pick up a cookie box when you enter,  
fill with your holiday favorites,  
weigh, pay by the pound.**



**Door Prizes, Silent Auction,  
Free Treats and More!**



**[www.stmartinscp.org](http://www.stmartinscp.org)**

## **Call Team Report**

This Sunday (11/11) the Call Team will provide a brief update on the definition of the Ministry Site Profile (MSP) and its timeline. Members are reminded to use the Call Team Box located in the Narthex, or to contact any member of the Call Team with your communications - *your voice is important and appreciated in the ongoing search for our next pastor.*

## **Christmas Closet Donations Needed**

Donations of gently used clothing, household items, bedding, games, etc. are needed. It's not too early to clean out your closets and empty your drawers. Please bring all items to the Mission Table in the narthex. Giving Tree families will be invited to shop the Christmas closet when they pick up their gifts.

## **Giving Tree Individuals/Families are being sought**

If you, or you know of someone who could use a helping hand this Christmas, please contact Maureen at 798-4920. Priority will be given to those affected by the flood, those in financial need and those in crisis.

## Donation Update

St Martin's donated 59 quilts and 43 Personal Care Kits to Lutheran World Relief this year following a blessing by Pastor Jeff. Thank you to all our quilters and everyone who purchased or made a donation towards a kit, and thank you Doris & Phil Fish for getting them to the train station to begin their journey to those who await their arrival.

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## Bible Study: Women in the Bible

Join us for the continued exploration of the importance of women in the Bible. Kristofer Rhude (recent MDiv graduate) will be facilitating discussion which will include a Bible study, and an examination of the ELCA's draft social statement on "*Women and Justice*" which will be voted on during next year's Church-wide Assembly in Milwaukee!

Remaining dates are Tues. Nov. 13th and Nov. 20th. (Start as 6:30p in the church library.)

*All genders welcome!!*

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## Thrivent Choice Dollars

Are you a Thrivent member? If so, you may have 'Choice Dollars' available to you. These funds can be designated to any charitable entity; so how about choosing St. Martin's?

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## Neighbors Helping Neighbors

If you know of someone who could use help from 'Neighbors Helping Neighbors' (*or if you can help in any way*), please contact Phil Fish (608-279-3637, pdfish@charter.net) or the church office (798-2777; om@stmartinscp.org).

*Thank you!*

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## Ornament Decorating

The Worship Planning Team is looking for those interested in helping to decorate about 60 wooden ornaments for our indoor Christmas trees. (Target completion date is Nov. 21st.) All

materials will be provided and the work can be done at church or in your home. If interested, please contact Karen Windels at 798-5031, or karenwindels@gmail.com

## Altar Flowers Anyone?

Want to honor a loved one, or celebrate a birthday, anniversary or other special event? *The Worship Planning Team wishes to remind everyone that altar flower donations are a great way to do this almost any Sunday of the year!*

How? Just sign up using the flower donation sheet posted on the bulletin board in the narthex under the "worship and music" display. If desired, assistance is available for securing and setting up the flowers.

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## Save the dates!

### November

- \* Stewardship Drive Continues
- \* Nov. 21 (Wed.) -- Ecumenical Thanksgiving Eve Service at St. Martin's
- \* Nov. 25 -- Advent Inter-generational Event after Worship - *Decorating of the church (with potluck)*
- \* Giving Tree begins

### December

- \* Dec. 1st (Sat.) -- Cookie Walk! (8a - 11a)
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## Pianist and Choir Director

St. Martin's has immediate openings for a pianist to accompany worship services and an adult choir director. The positions may be held by the same person or separately. (Sunday worship service is at 9 a.m.)

### Pianist Responsibilities:

Year around, provide worship music to include prelude, offering, postlude, hymns and liturgy for regular Sunday services as well as special services such as Thanksgiving, Christmas, Ash Wednesday, mid-week Lenten, Holy Week and Easter. Collaborate with Pastor and others. Organ skills are welcome but not required. Pay is on per-service basis.

### Choir Director Responsibilities:

From Sept through April, authorized for up to 7 hours/week, direct one rehearsal per week toward choir participation in worship three Sundays a month as well as special services such as Thanksgiving, Christmas, Ash Wednesday, Holy Week and Easter. Collaborate with Pastor and others, communicate schedule and rehearsal details, coordinate with accompanist, and select music/supplies for the choir.

For full job descriptions or to submit a resume, please contact the church office (om@stmartinscp.org or 608-798-2777) or check the church web site home page (www.stmartinscp.org) for full job descriptions.

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## Nursery Options

Attention parents of children 4 and under! Are there times during worship when your child needs a little more wiggle room or needs to speak their piece in a robust voice? *We have a space for that!*

The Library is now equipped with some clean toys and age-appropriate books for your child's use. Feel free to use this space and toys whenever the need arises. And don't forget that you can turn the "speaker" dial near the light switch that will enable you to hear all the happenings in the sanctuary while your child plays. We continue to have space in the downstairs Nursery room designed for children 4 and under, also equipped with a speaker to pipe in the Sanctuary events. We'll let you know when those toys have been cleaned for use. (Brought to you by the Youth and Family Ministry Team)

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## Give Plus

As an alternate way of giving, St. Martins has an app called 'Give Plus'.

To use:

- 1) Go to the App Store and download 'Give Plus'.
- 2) When you open the app, you'll be asked to select a church by putting in your zip code (53528) or church (St. Martin's).
- 3) Next you can set up an account or opt to Give Now.
- 4) Once you make your selection, you can either select a dollar amount suggested or write in an amount. (If you wish to use regularly you will need to set up an account.)
- 5) Following the prompts, you will be given the option to use a credit/debit card or a checking/saving account. If using a credit card/debit card, you can either use the camera on your phone to capture your credit card information or enter it manually.
- 6) Continue to follow the prompts ... And then you're done!

*At this time, we only have the general giving account set up for St. Martin's. There is no cost to you for using this service.*

If you have any questions, please contact the church accountant, Lois Weiland, at 608-220-3123 or [loisweiland@gmail.com](mailto:loisweiland@gmail.com).

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## Upcoming Birthdays & Anniversaries

### November

#### Birthdays

11/9 -- Mark Niesen, Elijah Schluter

11/15 -- Fallon Voss

11/16 -- Nancy Kurr

11/18 -- Jacqui Swanson, Patty Harper, Dan Trappe

11/19 -- Shawn McCue

11/21 -- Rebecca Brunner, Valerie Niesen

11/23 -- Alison Dodsworth

11/26 -- Robert Shields

11/28 -- Jodie Green, Jasmine Green

*(No Nov. anniversaries known of... please let office know if this is incorrect!)*

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

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## 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.

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## 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@stmartinscp.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.stmartinscp.org](http://www.stmartinscp.org). Events are updated on a regular basis. Questions? Send a note to the office (om@stmartinscp.org) or call 798-2777.

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## Church Office Hours & Additional Email Addresses

*Scheduled office hours:*

Mon: 8:30 - 3:30 Tue: 10-2 Wed: 8:30 - 3:30 Thur: 10-2 Fri: 8:30-10:30

***Make sure to 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](mailto:om@stmartinscp.org)

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



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

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## 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](mailto:stmlcpastorjeff@gmail.com)).

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## CHURCH CALENDAR

*Also available on the church web site ([www.stmartinscp.org](http://www.stmartinscp.org))*

### **Sunday, Nov. 11**

8:00a -- Choir Rehearsal CR

9:00a -- Sunday Worship Service S

### **Monday, Nov. 12**

9:30a -- Quilting Group LL

6:30p -- Church Council L

7:00p -- Barry Historical Society S

### **Tuesday, Nov. 13**

6:30p -- Bible Study—Women in the Bible L

### **Wednesday, Nov. 14**

6:00p -- Confirmation (L) and Pre-Confirmation Classes (LL)

### **Thursday, Nov. 15**

6:30p -- Choir Rehearsal at St. Francis (for next week's joint service)

**Friday, Nov. 16** -- Open Schedule

### **Saturday, Nov. 17**

8:45a -- Overeaters Anonymous L

### **Sunday, Nov. 18**

8:00a -- Choir Rehearsal CR

9:00a -- Sunday Worship ('Faith – Promise' Sunday) S

S—Sanctuary; L—Library; CR - Choir Room

*Have an update? Please send a note to the office ([om@stmartinscp.org](mailto:om@stmartinscp.org))*

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## Worship Participants

### **Nov. 11**

Presiding Minister -- Jeff Tomberlin

Accompanist – Jan Doyle

Song Leader – Karen Windels

Greeters -- Maureen Berghoefer, Jordan Green

Lector / Reader / Communion Assistant – Kim Johnson

Communion Assistants — Patty Harper, Casey Peterson

Ushers -- Sandy Salvo, Artis Schulenberg

Acolyte -- Chase Rogers  
Counting Team -- Team 5 (Brian Graedel, Kevin Boehnen)  
Altar Guild — Darlene Schulenburg  
AV Team – Jason Niebuhr  
Coffee Fellowship – Doris Fish, Joyce Richardson

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