



## ***St. Martin's 'Weekly Bread' for Nov. 4-10 2018***

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### **'Fall Back' Time Change!**

#### ***This Saturday Night!***

Remember to set your clocks **BACK** one hour this coming Saturday night (Nov. 3rd) before you go to bed ... this is the weekend we get back that hour we lost last spring as Daylight Savings ends. Yep, you get *one hour extra sleep!* (That is unless you have young family members or pets, etc., who can't tell time. *Sorry!*)

*If you forget you'll be to church early, likely wonder where everyone is!*

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### **Pack the Pews! THIS SUNDAY! Nov. 4th!**



On **Sunday, Nov 4th**, invite a friend or neighbor to church, wear your Green Bay Packer gear, and stay after for a tailgate lunch, as we **'Pact the Pews!** (*Lunch served right after church in narthex.*)

*See you there!*

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## **Meal Train -- *CHANGES and dates added!***

**The Meal Train has been extended to mid-December**

The Greens are moving into an apartment in Cross Plains on Nov. 8th but 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 still at the church.

Keep in mind the lower level church doors are *locked during the day* ('Little Red Preschool' security policy) and they *do not have staff to open if you ring.*

Please drop off food during regular office hours (to enter building from upper level) or arrange something else by contacting 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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## **Cross Plains Chamber Business Fair**

The annual Business Fair showcases area businesses and allow them to promote their local

products and services.

*Come on over and visit St. Martin's and other booths!*

- Get to know neighbor businesses and people
- Shop local-buy gift cards & local goods, learn about area services

DATE: Thursday, Nov. 8, 2018

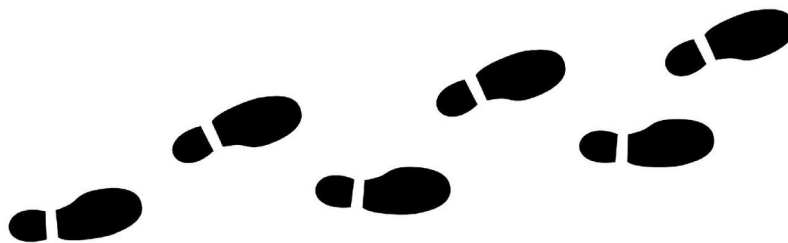
TIME: 4 PM - 7 PM

LOCATION: Saint Francis Fellowship Hall (2939 Thinnes St., Cross Plains)

*Free to public!*

For more information visit the CP Chamber website: <http://crossplainschamber.net>

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## **Step-by-Step, Walking with Christ**

Join the St. Martin's Stewardship Team and take a walk with us. Our 2018 Stewardship emphasis encourages each St. Martin's member to "step up" your stewardship. Each week, we'll be reminding you of different opportunities to be good stewards of your faith, your time and talents, and your financial resources.

The current challenge is to reflect on your Stewardship of Faith. There is plenty of good research that shows that as our faith grows, so does our ability to be good stewards of our talents, time and financial resources. Stewardship of faith is the foundation for all other types of stewardship. How can you Step-Up your Faith? How can you be intentional about growing your faith with God's guidance?

Here's the challenge from your Stewardship Team: Pray about this. Then, pick one thing to do that you think will enhance your Stewardship of Faith. Write it down. Keep track of it. Do it. If you need ideas, we invite you to look at the Stewardship of Faith cards that were handed out after worship last Sunday. (Kids, there are cards for you too. You can find the cards on our website, [www.stmartinscp.org](http://www.stmartinscp.org).)

You need not return the form next week. Keep it close to you. Then next Sunday, take an “/ *Stepped Up*” sticker.

The important thing is to *keep moving*; God is leading us all the way, in the best and worst of times in our faith journey.

*Come next Sunday and hear about the next stewardship challenge. Step Up - and Walk with Christ!*

Your Stewardship Team - Ryan McCulloh, Tom Johnson, Karen Windels, and Lois Weiland



## **Outreach Greeter Team**

To serve in spreading the love and joy of Jesus Christ through reaching out to the greater Cross Plains community and to be a presence in various area events and happenings!

Pictured (*Left to Right*): Van Valaskey, Judy Valaskey, Oscar Seibel, Deb Goplin, Karen Seibel, Tom Johnson, Kay Meier, Amy Wildman, Matt Wildman, Bob Nelson, Kathy Gradel, Redgy Nelson & Jeannie Hering-Schumann.

Members of the team not pictured: Amy Esser, Gordie Esser, Doris Fish, Phil Fish, Jordan Green, Gail Johnson, Jenni McCulloh, Ryan McCulloh, Debbie Miller, Jon Roll, Artis Schulenberg, Ralph Schulenberg, Jacqui Swanson, Lee Swanson.

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## **Greetings 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. After consulting with Jan Doyle, we'll plan on rehearsing on Sunday mornings at 8:00 a.m. before service on Nov. 4th & Nov. 11th. We're invited to attend the St. Francis choir rehearsal on Thursday evening, Nov. 15th at 6:30 p.m. to combine choirs for the first time, and that should take about 30 minutes. We'll rehearse the last time just prior to the Thanksgiving Eve service 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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## **Call Team Update**

The Call Team is nearing completion of the first draft of the Ministry Site Profile which will be presented to Council for review. Once approved, it will be made available to the congregation.

## **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 the **First Three Tuesdays in November** (Nov. 6, 13, 20)

*All genders welcome!!*

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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](mailto:pdfish@charter.net)) or the church office (798-2777; [om@smartinscp.org](mailto:om@smartinscp.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](mailto: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. 4 -- Pack the Pews followed by Tailgate!
- \* Nov. 8 (Thur.) -- Cross Plains Chamber Expo, St. Martin's booth
- \* 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.

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## Upcoming Birthdays & Anniversaries

### November

#### Birthdays

- 11/4 -- Paxton Schreiber
- 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 anniversaries known of ... please let office know if this is incorrect!)*



Know of an addition? Correction? Please let the office know ([om@stmartinscp.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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 (stmcpastorjeff@gmail.com).

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## CHURCH CALENDAR

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

### **Sunday, Nov. 4**

8:00a -- Choir Rehearsal CR

9:00a -- Worship Service / 'Pack The Pews!' (tail-gate party afterwards)

**Monday, Nov. 5** -- Open Schedule

### **Tuesday, Nov. 6**

5:00p -- Little Red School House Staff meeting FH

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

### **Wednesday, Nov. 7**

6:00p -- Confirmation and Pre-Confirmation Class L

### **Thursday, Nov. 8**

4:00p 8pm -- Cross Plains Chamber Business Fair (at St. Francis)

**Friday, Nov. 9** -- Open Schedule

### **Saturday, Nov. 10**

8:45a -- Overeaters Anonymous L

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

8:00a -- Choir Rehearsal CR

9:00a -- Sunday Worship 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. 4**

Presiding Minister -- Jeff Tomberlin

Accompanist – Eileen Porter

Song Leader – Jason Niebuhr

Greeters -- Bob & Redgy Nelson

Lector / Reader / Communion Assistant – Doris Fish

Communion Assistants — Kathy Graedel, Marci Bartlett

Ushers -- Ryan & Jenni McCulloh

Acolyte -- Dylan Klock

Counting Team -- Team 1 (Jenny Niesen, Darlene Schulenberg, Gale Kooistra)

Altar Guild — Kim Mahaffey

AV Team – James Hartung

Coffee Fellowship – *Join us for Tail-gate!*

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