

# St. Martin's 'Weekly Bread' for Oct. 7 - 13 2018

### Meal Train for the Greens!

As you may know, Jimi & Jodi Green and their five children have been displaced from their Cross Plains home since the flooding on August 20th. They are currently staying in a hotel while they wait to find out if they have to rebuild or if they can safely remodel. Their hotel room only has a stove top and a microwave so they have been eating out for most meals and would really appreciate having some home-cooked meals. If you are able to help with a meal, please sign up on 'meal train' by going to https://mealtrain.com/vw2eqy or CLICK HERE

Details: Food for 7 (2 adults, 5 children ages 8 – 18). Food should be fully cooked so it can be reheated in microwave. Please drop off at church by 3pm the day you are signed up. (Label with any special instructions, who meal is from.). Meat? All kinds! Vegetables? All, except onions. Fruit? All kinds! (They especially like casseroles!) Thank you everyone!

# **Neighbors Helping Neighbors - Help Needed!**

'Neighbors Helping Neighbors' is still receiving requests to help. If you can help, please let us know when you may be available by contacting Phil Fish (608-279-3637, pdfish@charter.net) or the church office (798-2777; om@stmartinscp.org). *Thank you!* 



# You Are Invited to Growing Healthier Together!

What? A practical study/discussion-led by Interim Pastor Jeff Tomberlin When? Sundays, now through October 21st Where? In the sanctuary after worship, coffee, and fellowship

Why? To grow the health & vitality of St. Martins Lutheran Church

How?

An opportunity to help lead us toward behaviors, practices, and patterns that can help us grow

healthier as the body of Christ in this place.

An opportunity to build up the body of Christ by strengthening the partnership between: pastors and congregational members; and between members and members.

An opportunity to help lead St. Martins to greater effectiveness in mission and ministries.



# Community Rally Picnic Wrap Up!

Over 125 kids, adults and community neighbors attended this year's Community Rally Picnic event on a beautiful September Sunday.

The event ended with a profit of \$996 with money divided up as follows: \$75 for the donated quilt that went to the Quilters, \$50 for Lions Club in appreciation for the kids train

(see picture) and for their ongoing support and the balance to area flood relief in our local area through the St. Martin's Mission team.

Thanks to all for making the event such a fun event and success!

# **Legacy Endowment Fund Disbursement**

I am pleased to announce St. Martin's Lutheran Church Legacy Endowment Fund (LEF) Board has distributed 2018 allotted funds to two local families for flood relief and the ELCA Youth – Young Adults Fund for a total of \$1,100. The current balance of Legacy Endowment Fund is \$35,766. *Thank you St. Martins!* 

James Hartung
LEF Board Congregation Liaison
LEF@stmartinscp.org

# **Attention Parents -- First Communion & Acolyte Training**

Parents - If you would like to have your child participate in **First Communion training or Acolyte training**, please sign up on the clipboards in the Narthex by Sept. 30th, or call the church office. First Communion will take place during worship this fall. Questions may be directed to any member of the Youth and Family Ministry Team.

### SAVE THE DATE

2018 Legacy Endowment Seminar -- "The new tax law and how it affects you"

Sunday, October 21, 6:30pm
At St. Martin's Church
Steve Broyles, Broyles CPA, Middleton presenter.

Highlights will be discussion on new guidelines for deductions, retirement strategies adjustment ideas per the new law, an introduction to new tax forms and general Q&A. All ages are encouraged to attend this educational and important seminar.

Refreshments provided for this no charge presentation. Make plans to attend!!

### **Personal Care Kits**

Lutheran World Relief Pre-made Personal Care Kits are available for sale **now through Sunday**, **Oct. 7** from the Mission Table in the narthex. Cost is \$7 for one or \$10 for two. Please "feed" Penny the Mission Piggy Bank with your cash or check donation and move your kit/s from the table to the Sold basket. If you would prefer to assemble your own kit the following items should be wrapped in a dark colored towel and tied with a ribbon, cord or yarn: two bars of lvory soap, a sturdy comb, metal nail clippers and a toothbrush (no toothpaste, please). Your completed kit should be placed in the 'Sold' basket in the narthex. *Watch for further info on when the kits will be blessed with the beautiful quilts our volunteers have constructed over the past year!* 

# **Bible Study: Women in the Bible**

Join us for an exploration of the importance of women in the Bible. Recent MDiv graduate Kristofer Rhude 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!

First meeting will be Monday, October 1st. All genders welcome!

6:30 - 8:00 PM Mondays in October

6:30 - 8:00 PM first three Tuesdays in November

# Stewardship Fall Focus Group – We want your input!

As we enter into the autumn season, it's time for us to bring focus once again to Stewardship and how we can all be part of God's mission through our giving ... not only through our monetary contributions but also the generous giving of our time and talents.

As we plan our annual Stewardship campaign, we want your input! We are seeking volunteers to participate in a short Focus Group Meeting in early October to help brain storm ideas for building momentum and visibility around this important mission for our fall campaign. If interested in participating in this meeting, or sharing any ideas, please contact Ryan McCulloh (608-712-8530; or rjmcculloh@uwalumni.com). Thank you!

# **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)

# **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.

### Save the dates!

### October

Blessing of the Quilts & Backpacks, Care Kits Pack the Pews, Tailgate (Oct. 28) Stewardship Drive begins

### November

Stewardship Drive Continues
Cross Plains Chamber Expo, St. Martin's booth (Nov. 8)
Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service at St. Martin's (Wed., Nov. 21)
Advent Intergenerational Event after Worship - *Decorating of the church* (Nov. 25)
Giving Tree begins

# **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.



# **Little Red Preschool**

The Little Red Preschool (leasing church space) offers Free 4K Middleton-Cross Plains morning session (9-11:30am M-F) and an after school program with free busing from Park Elementary.

There are currently OPENINGS in both programs. Please contact Corena at 608-886-2841 or cplittlered@gmail.com with any questions or enrollment information!

# Eat Right When Money's Tight

FoodShare is a monthly benefit deposited on a debit-like card, the QUEST Card, to help with food purchases, freeing up money for bills, medications and other necessities. You or someone you care about may be eligible.



APPLYING IS FAST, EASY & CONFIDENTIAL!! Call Patrick at 608-807-9006 or the FOODSHARE HELPLINE to learn if you might qualify: (877) 366-3635

and savings account. Most people receiving just

You can have a home, car

Did you know...

Social Security, and even a small pension, qualify.

You receiving benefits doesn't take away from anyone else.



The FoodShare Helpline is a service of Feeding Wisconsin and its member food banks.

## Join the Finance Team!

Just like businesses, churches need people in different roles to make everything run smoothly. One such position, church finance team works as part of a team to oversee the financial wellbeing of the congregation and to make recommendations on financial matters. Time commitment is 30 minutes a month. If you have interest and would like to learn more on joining this team, please contact Gordie Esser (Treasurer) or Gail Johnson, (Church Council).



# Congregational Care Team helps in many ways ...

(Pictured L to R: Karen Seibel and Jeannie Hering-Schumann)

The Congregational Care Team coordinates and provides food and serve for many events --Welcomes and Farewells, confirmation, graduation, new members, ice cream social, 'Rally Day' and soup suppers are examples.

We set up for potlucks and we coordinate and serve lunch after funerals. We are present on Sunday coffee fellowship time, too!

When someone is hospitalized and the family is in need of food we coordinate and deliver meals. We greatly appreciate the generous food donations and serving help from our St. Martins' members!

Congregational Care is looking for more members to join our team! If you could help, please contact Karen (831-8998) or Jeannie (767-2789). *Thank you!* 

### MUTZY'S MONSTER MASH

All the decorations from the Cross Plains Halloween House will be displayed outside at the Rosemary Garfoot Public Library October 15 - Halloween. Join us for a pumpkin carving party Sunday October 28 12-3 at the Legion. We will also be handing out candy Halloween night to trick or treaters.

This is a community Halloween event that is continuing on the tradition that Mary Dahlk began nearly 40 years ago by decorating her yard for Halloween. Thank you to our planning team, made up of several community members, leaders, and organizations in town, including the Cross Plains Lions Club, Crossroads Coffeehouse, Rosemary Garfoot Public Library, and the Cross Plains Area Chamber of Commerce.

HOW CAN YOU HELP? Below are some areas of need.

- Transport props October 10-11.
- Wash and spray pumpkins the weekend of October 12-14. Until then they will be stored on Doc's trailer.
- Set up props for display the weekend of October 12-14.
- Donate pumpkins, candy, candles, batteries, drinks, snacks or ??
- Help take down the monsters the weekend after Halloween
- Be creative let us know what you would like to do to build this event!!
- Attend the next planning meeting: October
   8, 2018 @ Crossroads Coffeehouse 6pm.
- Spread the word!





### **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.

# **Upcoming Birthdays & Anniversaries**

### **October**

### **Anniversaries**

10/1 -- Brian & Kathleen Graedel

10/5 -- Robert & Pam Miller

10/17 -- Frank & Barbara Durham

### **Birthdays**

10/5 -- Brian Jackson, Kristofer Rhude

10/12 -- Mary Vassalotti

10/13 -- Joelle Jackson

10/16 -- Kimberly Kahl

10/17 -- Gus Wenning

10/18 -- Colton Klein

10/22 -- Jim Knudtson, Jenna Rogers

10/24 -- Debra Wipperfurth

10/30 -- Shirley Coulson

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

# **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.

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

# **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
- -- Church Property Management Team (building & grounds maintenance requests / issues): Property@stmartinscp.org
- -- Pastor Jeff: Email: stmlcpastorjeff@gmail.com; Cell: (608) 217-9821

## **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).

### CHURCH CALENDAR

Also available on the church web site (www.stmartinscp.org)

### Oct. 7-13

Sunday, Oct. 7
9:00a -- Sunday Worship S
10:15a -- Growing healthier together! S
Monday, Oct. 8 -- Open Schedule
Tuesday, Oct. 9 -- Open Schedule

Wednesday, Oct 10

6:00p—7:00p -- Confirmation & Pre-Confirmation Class

6:30p—Finance Team LL

Thursday, Oct. 11

1:30p -- Worship Planning Team L

Friday, Oct. 12 -- Open Schedule

Saturday, Oct. 13

8:45a -- Overeaters Anonymous L

S- Sanctuary L-Library LL Lower Level Classroom

S—Sanctuary; L—Library

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

# **Worship Participants**

### Oct. 7

Presiding Minister -- Jeff Tomberlin

Accompanist - Eileen Porter

Song Leader - Jason Niebuhr

Greeters -- Ryan & Jenni McCulloh

Lector / Reader / Communion Assistant - Maureen Berghoefer

Communion Assistants — Phil & Doris Fish

Ushers -- Karen & Oscar Seibel

Acolyte -- Ryan Roenneburg

Counting Team -- Team 5 (Brian Graedel, Kevin Boehnen)

Altar Guild — Deb Goplin

AV Team - James Hartung

Coffee Fellowship - Doris Fish, Dorothy Howell

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