



Weeks of April 22 - May 5 2018

*Staff will be out next week so this 'Weekly Bread' covers two weeks.
Hope it warms up, everyone!*

Office closed April 23-27

If you want to stop over, please call ahead (office ph 798-277) to make sure someone is available. If you have an emergency need, contact Pastor Jeff by his cell number 608-217-9821 or by email (stmcpastorjeff@gmail.com). Contact Todd for building issues (608-444-6765) *Thank you!*

Spring Clean-up -- SATURDAY!

Saturday, April 21st, is the annual St. Martin's spring clean-up! (Starting at 9am).

Come on down and help! *There is a lot of mulch to move around so 'many hands' could be used!* (Besides other jobs that weather should not impact!)

Call Team Invitation

Join us *following the service this coming Sunday, April 22nd* (rescheduled from April 15th after snow cancellation), for an important and inspiring discussion with the Call Team as we rethink what it means to be a church member/disciple of Christ at St. Martin's and how to better live out God's mission in our changing world. *Your input is critical in guiding us as we prepare to call our next pastor.* (A light snack will be served.)

For further information, please contact Marci Bartlett (798-2482, marci.bartlett@hotmail.com), Maureen Berghoefer (798-4820, msberghoefer@tds.net), Van Valaskey (798-2752, veval@tds.net), Rick Weiland (444- 2586, rcweiland@aol.com), Amy Wildman (445-9720, ajayers29@yahoo.com), Galyn Hartung (grh0222@icloud.com) or Mark Richardson (370-9196,

Culver's Share Night - Monday, April 23rd

Come and eat at the Mt Horeb location this coming MONDAY April 23 (from 5-10pm) and a portion of the sales will go towards the transportation costs of sending 87 individuals from the area to Houston TX this summer for the ELCA Youth Gathering.

Thank you for supporting their mission!

Results from Congregational Meeting Vote (Sunday Worship Time)

A special congregational meeting was held on Sunday, April 8th to vote on the motion that was made at the annual meeting to change the time of our Sunday worship from 9:00 am to 9:30 am.

After many viewpoints were discussed, a vote was taken and the **results were to keep Sunday worship time at 9:00 am.** *Thank you to all who attended and respectfully expressed their opinions on this item.*

2018 Trout Days

Although the winter hangs on with cold and snow, we are all hoping to turn the corner into Spring. As the first village event of Spring, the Cross Plains Lions will host the village community's 2018 Trout Days Event. The event is scheduled for Thursday, May 3rd, Friday May 4th and Saturday, May 5th. There is a summary poster with of some of the key events displayed in the narthex on our St. Martin's Community Bulletin Board.

In keeping with tradition there will be individual resident garage sales village wide throughout the period. The Lions will also have a brat stand open all three days of the event. These will feature "Doc's Famous Brats", as well as hamburgers, hot dogs, water and soda. Many local organizations, groups and businesses plan to participate

Saturday is the signature day for community sponsored events and activities. Our St. Martin's senior youth are planning a sale on Saturday the 5th in support of their mission trip. Two St Martin's stands will be open, one in the Glacier Edge shopping Center, and one at Kalscheur's garage on Main Street. There are also plans for a plant sale for St. Martin's on Friday May 4th and Saturday, May 5th. Due to road construction the plant sale will be in the lower parking lot with parking and access from Martin Street

Plan to join in to welcome Spring. You can help by supporting the missions of St. Martin's as well as supporting the community by your participation in the many activities offered throughout the village.

Outreach Team needs “YOU”

As in most all teams within St. Martin's we need people to joyfully serve. The Team looks for ways to simply integrate a presence into our everyday lives outside the walls of our building. Would you prayerfully consider serving on the Outreach Team for 2018? Here is what serving would look like:

- * No known meetings (working via email and phone correspondence).
- * Splitting up action items as to accomplish tasks from overall mission.
- * Tasks would be open for you to take on as per your talents and interest.

Sample tasks:

- * Taking photos at church functions and getting channeled correctly; send follow-up correspondence to visitors/guests per pre-set system; help track data for spreadsheet; write up or create pre-made note cards, etc.
- * Attending area community events for St. Martins.
- * Delivering posters or flyers.

SO... Would you please prayerfully consider becoming part of this team? Simply email teej3400@gmail.com for more information, questions or joining so we can dig in and do the Lord's work! Blessings all, Tom Johnson, Outreach Team Chair

NEWBORN KITS

Help mothers in developing countries celebrate the birth of their child, and provide needed items to welcome their baby into the world. Healthcare workers who distribute these kits also use them to encourage women to seek prenatal care, offering them as gifts if a mother visits a clinic before delivery, or chooses to deliver her baby at a healthcare facility. Prenatal visits provide opportunities to monitor the health of the mother and developing child and to share information about nutrition, immunizations, and how to care for a newborn.

We will be collecting items for these kits over next few weeks and they will be *delivered to the ELCA Synod Assembly following a blessing from Pastor Jeff on April 29th*. Please visit the Mission Table where you can purchase items of your choosing for the kits, or make a donation.

If you would like to assemble your own kit, the items for inclusion are: 1 bath towel (42 x 52), 1 wash cloth, 1 bath size bar of Ivory soap, 1 newborn stocking hat, 1 receiving blanket (30 x 30), 2 cloth diapers, 2 diaper pins. Assembly instructions are available at the Mission Table. Our goal this year is 50 kits.

Financial Update - First Quarter

Submitted by Gordie Esser, treasurer

The chart below shows the total income vs the total expenses for the first quarter of 2018.

Month / Income / Expenses

Jan \$33,061.51 \$17,546.47

Feb. \$18,009.73 \$21,255.47

March \$15,054.43 \$26,318.93

Total \$66,125.67 \$65,120.87

Our budgeted monthly expenses are \$23,202.00. March's expenses include our quarterly donation of \$3,450 to the synod.

St. Martin's 6th Annual Plant Sale – May 4th and 5th

St. Martin's Plant Sale will be held on Friday, May 4th and Saturday, May 5th (Trout Days) from 9 AM - noon each day. For you gardeners out there or anyone wanting to help out, start thinking about plants in your garden that will need dividing or thinning, house plants that need downsizing, or any



plants that you just don't have room for anymore. Now's the time to take cuttings from house plants or start plants (house plants, annuals, perennials, even fruits and vegetables) from seed. Well-watered plant donations can be accepted a few days ahead of the sale – tables near the Prayer Garden will be available for this purpose. There will also be plastic pots available in the same location.

In addition to plant donations the Prayer Garden Team is asking that you tag each donation with the name of the plant and the color of its bloom (if applicable). Flat cardboard boxes for packaging up sold plants would also be appreciated. We will also need assistance setting-up and taking-down displays on both days of the sale and help with sales on either/both days. Sign-up sheets for donations and assistance can be found near the 2018 Plant Sale display in the Narthex of the church.

Get your green thumbs on and help us make this another successful plant sale! Proceeds will be divided between costs to maintain our beautiful Prayer Garden and a mission emphasis yet to be chosen. Questions? Please contact Linda Sebree @ 608-322-7876 (cell) or lindaasebree@gmail.com.



VBS – Sugar Creek Day Camp 2018 -- June 11th – 14th

Registration for VBS is now open! Kids 4 years through entering 5th grade are eligible to participate. Registration forms are located near the VBS display in the church narthex or can be found on the St.

Martin's website, www.stmartinSCP.org. Please place completed forms with required medical documentation in the office mailbox, or FAX to 798-0492.

The theme this year is *'This Changes Everything!* and is based on Ephesians 2:8; "For by grace you have been saved through faith and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God."

Kids will learn what grace is, how it affects them, that God offers grace to all, and that grace changes everyone. Expect fun games, arts and crafts, skits, Bible time, songs, enthusiastic Sugar Creek Bible Camp counselors and more! *Invite your relatives and friends!*

Registration dead line is May 23rd.

Help is needed to make VBS a success. Check out the VBS display to see how you can help. Questions? Call the church office (798-2777) or Karen Windels (VBS Coordinator) at 798-5031.

Open to the Public -- ALL ARE WELCOME!

St. Martin's Facebook Page 'Like us'

St. Martins is re-launching its Facebook page and we need your help to validate it by clicking 'Like' on our page.

CLICK HERE --> [St. Martin's FaceBook Page](#) and 'Like' the page.

Additionally, you can go directly to the church Facebook page by typing (on your browser address line):
www.facebook.com/stmartinSCP



Facebook will be additional way to stay in touch, be viewed by members, visitors and others in the community. Thank you everyone!

Ushers and Greeters 'Spiff-Up'

If you are an Usher or Greeter, you will notice there is a new name tag system in the office workroom.

Just follow the directions posted on the wall behind the workroom door. New black lanyards are hanging there for your use as well.

Upcoming Birthdays & Anniversaries

April

Anniversaries

4/18-- Jim & Jan Doyle

4/26 -- Ralph & Darlene Schulenberg

Birthdays

4/13 -- Alex Niebuhr

4/15 -- Patty Hillebrand, Ryan McCulloh

4/17 -- Robert Miller

4/18 -- Kimberly Johnson, Adam Herring

4/20 -- Jerilyn Papierniak

4/22 -- Philip Fish

4/23 -- Barbara Durham

4/24 -- Janet Klock

4/25 -- Van Valaskey

4/26 -- Kelly Klock

4/30 -- Richard Haller, Elaine Meister, Kim Mahaffey

May

Anniversaries

5/3 -- Todd & Casey Peterson

5/7 -- Jim & Linda Knudtson

5/20 -- Ron & Debra Goplin

5/26 -- Bruce & Sandy Salvo

Birthdays

5/1 -- Steve Broyles

5/2 -- Dana Fuhrman

5/3 -- Alex Kirikov

5/4 -- Ruth Kerl

5/6 -- Nicholas Hinz

5/13 -- Henry Kjol

5/14 -- Greg Valaskey

5/15 -- Sophia Eisele, Linda Sebree

5/17 -- Glen Meister

5/18 -- Thomas Kurr

5/19 -- Jason Niebuhr

5/20 -- Charles Klein

5/24 -- Kevin Boehnen, Seth Johnson

5/25 -- Darwin Goldben, Blake Hartung

5/30 -- Frank Durham

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.

Council Invites Your Input

Church Council welcomes your participation in the first 15 minutes of each Council meeting (third Monday of month) for the purpose of sharing your ideas and insights. If you are interested in participating in this open forum time, please let one of the Council members know of your interest. Council meets on the third Monday of each month at 6:30 PM in the church library. Contact any member at the following numbers: Jenny Niesen (798-2132), Mark Richardson (413-0204), Gordie Esser (438-4176), Matt Wildman (798-1882), Gail Johnson (575-0170) or Ryan McCulloh (712-8530).

Weather Issues / Closings

Church closing information can be found on the church web site (www.stmartinspc.org), by calling the office (798-2777), watching 'ticker' on Channel 3, Madison, or check their website, channel3000.com.

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: stmhcpastorjeff@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 (stmcpastorjeff@gmail.com).

CHURCH CALENDAR

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

April 21 - 28 2018

Saturday, April 21 - Spring Cleanup at the church (9am start)

Sunday, April 22

9:00a -- Sunday Worship (with Baptism) S

10:15 — Call Team Discussion

Monday, April 23 -- Open Schedule

Tuesday, April 24

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

Wednesday, April 25 -- Open Schedule

Thursday, April 26 -- Open Schedule

Friday, April 27 -- Open Schedule

Saturday, April 28

8:45a -- Overeaters Anonymous LL

April 29 - May 5

Sunday, April 29

9:00a -- Sunday Worship (with Confirmation) S

Monday, April 30 -- Open Schedule

Tuesday, May 1

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

Wednesday, May 2 -- Open Schedule

Thursday, May 3

6:30p -- Worship Planning Team L

Friday, May 4

9am—Noon — Plant Sale (outside church)

Saturday, May 5

8:45a -- Overeaters Anonymous LL

9am—Noon — Plant Sale (outside church)

L—Library; FH—Fellowship Hall; S—Sanctuary; LL—Lower Level Classroom

Worship Participants

Sunday, April 22nd

Presiding Minister -- Pastor Jeffrey Tomberlin
Accompanist -- Eileen Porter
Song Leader -- Karen Windels
Greeters -- Jeannie Hering-Schumann, Greg Hinz
Lector -- Reader / Communion Assistant -- Amy Wildman
Communion Assistants -- Kim Johnson, Greg Hinz
Ushers -- Bob & Redgy Nelson
Acolytes -- Kylie Klock, Joelle Jackson
Counting Team -- Team 4 (Steve & Patty Hillebrand, Deb Wipperfurth)
Altar Guild -- Deb Wipperfurth
AV Team -- Bill Windels
Coffee Fellowship -- Karen Seibel, Patty Harper

April 29th

Presiding Minister -- Pastor Jeffrey Tomberlin
Accompanist -- Sherri Hansen
Song Leader -- Jason Niebuhr
Greeters -- Amy & Gordie Esser
Lector -- Reader / Communion Assistant -- Redgy Nelson
Communion Assistants -- Bob Nelson, Katie Doyle
Ushers -- Karen & Oscar Seibel
Acolytes -- Adam Herring, Kate Wenning
Counting Team -- Team 3 (Mike & Kay Calvin, Alan & Patty Harper)
Altar Guild -- Deb Wipperfurth
AV Team -- (open)
Coffee Fellowship -- Doris Fish, Kay Calvin

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