THIS WEEK AT ST. MARTIN'S

Sunday, May 14th

9:00am Family Worship Service

9:00am Nursery open for ages 0-4

10:00am Faith Formation

11:00am Traditional Worship Service

11:00am Nursery open for ages 0-4

Monday, May 15th

6:30pm SMLC Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 16nd

9:00am WELCA Tack & Pack

Wednesday, May 17th

1:00pm Zoom Book Study

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

8:30pm Bells Rehearsal

Saturday, May 20th

8:00am Mop & Hammer

10:00am High School Fiesta Texas Trip

12:00pm Mobile Loaves & Fishes

Sunday, May 21st

9:00am Family Worship

9:00am Nursery open for ages 0-4

10:00am Special Congregational Meeting

11:00am Traditional Worship Service

11:00am Nursery open for ages 0-4

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING MAY 21 IOAM (BETWEEN SERVICES)

At the annual Congregational meeting of January 15, 2023, approval was given to pursue three proposals to address the ongoing shortfall of the Operating Fund. A Special Congregational Meeting is called for Sunday, May 21, 2023, immediately following the 9:00AM worship service to vote to move forward on long-term recommendations from the Financial Proposals Task Force. Please mark your calendars to attend this important meeting. Supporting documentation is at www.saintmartins.org/congregational-meeting-may-21/. *The password to access the information is* **1884**. Paper copies are available at the welcome desk. Please take some time before the meeting to review this important information.

PENTECOST MAY 28 IOAM

We will gather together to celebrate the birth of the Christian church and the power of the Holy Spirit through baptism, confirmation and welcome of new members.

Following the service, you are invited to stay and enjoy a churchwide potluck lunch! Please bring a lunch dish to share (with its serving utensil). You can drop it off in the Fellowship Hall before the service so it can be set out—if it has special instructions, please add a note. Following the potluck, please take your dish and utensil home.

Vacation Bible School for KIDS & ADULTS

Sundays June 18, 25 & July 2 11:30 am -2:30pm

Begin with lunch together then kids go off to participate in music, arts and crafts.

Adults can join in conversations about SMLC's hopes and dreams; explore our values statements; learn to play hand bells; and get to know each other better.

All ages are welcome!

SAINT MARTIN'S MAY BENEVOLENCE

MARIPOSA LEARNING CENTER

The Mariposa Learning Center provides subsidized, exceptional early learning and care in southeast Austin, enabling children to thrive and families to build pathways out of poverty. The center was founded in 2018 by Austin City Lutherans as an expansion of their outreach to the neighborhood. Mariposa's May Flowers fundraiser has a one for one match. Contributions collected during May will be doubled. Saint Martin's is one of three congregations uniting to support the center. More information about the organization and their campaign can be found on their website, mariposalearningcenter.org.

Bread for All Food Pantry every Monday

@ Faith Presbyterian Church, 1314 E. Oltorf.

Help is needed from 11am -7pm. Come when you can and stay as long as you can. *Thank you for your continuing donations of DIAPERS*.

Sizes 4, 5, and 6 are most often needed.

Bring a box or make a designated donation and we'll purchase them for you. Our neighbors on tight budgets are grateful for the help!

SAINT MARTIN'S AT THE TABLE

Jesus shared a meal with his closest friends the evening before he was betrayed. The words he used that night are the words we use every time we share the Sacrament of Communion. God invites us to be at the table just as Jesus did with his first disciples.

What does "At the Table" bring to your mind? Perhaps the phrase recalls meals shared with friends and family; favorite recipes and foods; conversations and laughter; or maybe it stirs feelings of being excluded, ignored, neglected, or hungry. Unintentionally, we can assume that everyone else has similar experiences unless we have opportunities to listen to each other. Sharing our different experiences allows us to create a space that is truly open and welcoming to all, where we are aware of our limitations, and willing to learn and grow.

Please email your 100 word reflection to Pr. Ellen this week!

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Conor Bruemmer; John, Rhonda, Matthew; Ashley and Victor Genty and new baby; Kathryn and Bill; family and friends of Gary Wagner; Mary O'Brien; Suzanne; friends and family of Jayne Dibrell; Jenny and Jason; Amanda and Joe; those facing addiction; Carol; Bryn & Leland Reimer; Arnold Kessler and family; Tom Hoelzel;

CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR

Deb Johnson; Bill Martin; Anita Tiller; Milton Felger; Sam Gourley; Dean Haynie; Ronnie Johnson; Peter Jordahl; Walt Knauff; Arvid Larson; Pat Larson; Doris McGaughy; Carolyn Elmshaeuser;

Our St. Martin's Values:

We **Worship** God and deepen relationships with one another through Lutheran faith traditions, including engaging liturgy, inspiring music, and lifelong faith formation.

We **Extend** God's inclusive gift of welcome to all people, especially those historically excluded from traditional church communities.

We **Advocate** for justice, righteousness, and mercy with our time, property, and power.

We **Rally** everyone to use our God-given gifts and talents to love, share, and serve all of God's creation boldly.

WEAR reminds us to wear the full armor of God.

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